

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES
PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 108-18

Docket No. R2005-1

RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO INTERROGATORY OF DAVID B. POPKIN
(DBP/USPS-49(h))
(May 16, 2005)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its institutional response to interrogatory DBP/USPS-49(h), submitted on May 2, 2005. This interrogatory was the subject of an objection filed on May 12, 2005.¹ In that objection, the Postal Service indicated that it would file a response providing general information concerning the delivery of Express Mail on the third calendar day after mailing.² This constitutes that response. The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

A response to the remaining parts of interrogatory DBP/USPS-49 is forthcoming.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ Objection of the United States Postal Service to Interrogatory of David B. Popkin (DBP/USPS-49(h)), May 12, 2005.

² *Id.* at 2.

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(h) Please provide a complete listing of all possible scenarios where delivery will be made on the third calendar day after mailing. This listing can be made by generic descriptions (such as articles mailed on a Saturday prior to a Monday holiday and sent to an address that is not on the Sunday/holiday list will receive delivery on Tuesday) or it can be made by reference to specific offices (such as Hyder AK 99923 has incoming mail only on Monday and Thursday).

RESPONSE:

(h) Delivery of Express Mail may be scheduled on the third calendar day after mailing when Next Day delivery is not available, and, in the case of an article sent to a street address, the second calendar day after entry is a Sunday or holiday and Sunday/holiday street delivery is not available to the destination address, or, in the case of an article sent to a post office box, the second calendar day after entry is a day in which the destination post office is closed or closes prior to the delivery time on that day. Express Mail may also be scheduled on the third calendar day after entry when the article is sent to a destination to which Next Day delivery is never available from the origin, and it is entered after the cut-off time. In addition, delivery of Express Mail may be scheduled after the second calendar day when the article is destined to a remote post office that does not receive daily delivery of Express Mail.