

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 POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS MARC D. McCRERY  
TO INTERROGATORY OF MAJOR MAILERS ASSOCIATION  
REDIRECTED FROM POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS ABDULKADIR M. ABDIRAHMAN  
(MMA/USPS-T21-25c)  
(June 29, 2005)

The United States Postal Service hereby responds to the above-listed interrogatory of Major Mailers Association, filed on April 28, 2005. The interrogatory was redirected from witness Abdirahman.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,  
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**MMA/USPS-T21-25**

On page 6 of your testimony, you discuss the Multi-Line Optical Character Reader Input Sub System (MLOCR-ISS) and Remote Computer Read (RCR) finalization rate as reaching 92.3% for the test year.

- A. Please provide the actual MLOCR-ISS rates for each accounting period since FY 2002 separately for (1) machine printed addresses and (2) handwritten addresses.
- B. Please provide the actual RCR rates for each accounting period since FY 2002 separately for (1) machine printed addresses and (2) handwritten addresses.
- C. Did the Postal Service meet its goal of a combined 92.3% rate for TY 2003 in R2001-1? If not, why not?

**RESPONSE:**

A-B. See response of the United States Postal Service to Interrogatories of Major Mailers Association, redirected from Postal Service witness Abdirahman.

C. Higher than estimated volumes of double feeds, misfaced, addresses missing necessary elements, and unreadable images caused a decrease in finalization rates.

In addition, foreign mail coding was disabled on the OCR & RCR to increase coding confidence causing a drop in the finalization rates.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document in accordance with Section 12 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure.

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