

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

NOTICE OF THE POSTAL SERVICE OF REVISED RESPONSE OF WITNESS
BRADLEY TO INTERROGATORY OF THE OCA (OCA/USPS-T14-30) --ERRATA
(July 1, 2005)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides a revised response of witness Bradley to the following interrogatory of the OCA, filed on June 10, 2005: OCA/USPS-T14-30. The attached response has the same text, but the numbers change in the last paragraph and the table. It completely replaces the response filed on June 24.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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OCA/USPS-T14-30. In the Letters/Flats volume data there are 686 observations for Sundays or Memorial Day. Please explain why these observations are included. In addition, approximately 650 observations appear to have inconsistently coded dates (i.e. 4-Jun rather than 06/04/02).

- (a) Is it correct that these observations were dropped in your analysis?
- (b) Can these observations be used in the analysis if the date codes are corrected? Please explain in detail.

OCA/USPS-T14-30 Response

- a. Yes.
- b. The fact that there are 686 observations for Sundays or Memorial Day does not mean volume data were recorded for all these route days. The overwhelming majority of these observations come from of Zip Codes sending in zero volumes for the day. Of the 686 observations, only 79 observations have positive values for volume. As it turns out, these observations are from just 3 Zip Codes across just two days, Memorial Day and June 2. Please note that no scan times were recorded for those days, so these observations were not included in the regression analysis.

There are 662 observations that have apparently mis-coded dates (i.e. 4-Jun or 06/04/200 instead of 06/04/2002.) These observations come from three Zip Codes. If one were to assume that the dates were otherwise correct, these could be recovered. Doing so increases the analysis data set for the regular delivery equation from 1,545 Zip Code day observations to 1,557 (an increase of 12). If

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the regular delivery model is estimated on the 1,557, it produces the following
variabilities:

**Variabilities for Regular
Delivery**

Based upon
1,557 Obs.
Variability

Shape	Variability
Letters	22.27%
Flats	7.10%
Sequenced	1.29%
Collection	8.79%
Small Parcels	1.57%

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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