

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 REQUEST OF VALPAK DIRECT MARKETING SYSTEMS, INC.
AND VALPAK DEALERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. POSED DURING
ORAL CROSS-EXAMINATION OF WITNESS CUTTING
(July 7, 2005)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the information requested by Valpak Direct Marketing Systems, Inc. and Valpak Dealers' Association, Inc., at the oral cross-examination of witness Cutting. This request was made at Tr. 4/875.

The Valpak request is paraphrased and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO REQUEST OF VALPAK AT TR. 4/875

VALPAK REQUEST (TR. 4/875). USPS-LR-K-84 uses RPW pound by entry point data, and states that it is drawn from USPS-LR-K-87. We have been unable to find where in USPS-LR-K-87 that data are drawn. Please tell us exactly where in USPS-LR-K-87 you draw the pound data which we cannot locate.

RESPONSE:

The pound by entry point data used in USPS-LR-K-84 were developed from an intermediate data set that itself was prepared during the development of USPS-LR-K-87 but did not make the final tables of that library reference. Attached is a table containing the requested data.

FY04 Standard ECR Mail RPW Weights (pounds) - Commercial and Nonprofit

Presort Level	Shape	Drop Ship Category				Total
		None	DBMC	DSCF	DDU	
Basic	Letters	13,889,306	17,025,488	49,765,717	5,249,712	85,930,223
	Flats	97,558,488	341,366,086	2,218,775,553	49,513,958	2,707,214,084
	Parcels	246,237	12,395	37,730	5,031	301,392
	Total	111,694,030	358,403,969	2,268,579,000	54,768,701	2,793,445,700
High Density	Letters	1,385,056	1,029,832	20,674,720	3,730,945	26,820,552
	Flats	2,980,387	3,752,022	177,542,748	255,351,888	439,627,046
	Parcels	3,337	0	156	0	3,493
	Total	4,368,780	4,781,854	198,217,624	259,082,833	466,451,091
Saturation	Letters	11,823,285	6,798,882	151,824,167	41,394,380	211,840,714
	Flats	47,043,048	16,566,764	466,094,949	1,285,409,166	1,815,113,927
	Parcels	752	0	134,971	4,467	140,189
	Total	58,867,084	23,365,646	618,054,087	1,326,808,013	2,027,094,830
Basic Auto	Letters	10,594,921	27,467,293	43,901,237	1,286,727	83,250,178
	Flats	0	0	0	0	0
	Parcels	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	10,594,921	27,467,293	43,901,237	1,286,727	83,250,178

USPS-LR-K-84 Breakout

Saturation	Letters	13,208,340	7,828,714	172,498,887	45,125,325	238,661,266
	Flats	50,023,435	20,318,786	643,637,697	1,540,761,054	2,254,740,973
	Parcels	4,088	0	135,127	4,467	143,682
	Total	63,235,864	28,147,500	816,271,711	1,585,890,846	2,493,545,921
Non-Saturation	Letters	24,484,227	44,492,781	93,666,954	6,536,439	169,180,401
	Flats	97,558,488	341,366,086	2,218,775,553	49,513,958	2,707,214,084
	Parcels	246,237	12,395	37,730	5,031	301,392
	Total	122,288,951	385,871,262	2,312,480,237	56,055,428	2,876,695,878

Source of RPW Weights:

USPS-LR-K-87, workbook 'Standard Weight Summary.xls', worksheets 'Std Reg' and 'Std NP'. Uses columns F (Shape), H (Presort), and I (Drop) to sum the RPW weights (column C) to shape, presort level, and drop ship category within each worksheet. Standard ECR and NECR weights are added together to create this table. Also note that, for the Basic Auto presort level, all pieces are considered letters for the purposes of USPS-LR-K-84.