

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners: George Omas, Chairman;
 Dawn A. Tisdale, Vice Chairman;
 Ruth Y. Goldway; and
 Tony Hammond

Parcel Return Service

Docket No. MC2006-1

COMMISSION ORDER DESIGNATING MATERIAL FOR INCLUSION
IN THE RECORD AND GRANTING RELATED MOTIONS

(Issued January 13, 2006)

The following motions filed by the Postal Service are pending in this docket as of January 12, 2006:

Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of the Responses of Postal Service Witness Miller to Interrogatories OCA/USPS-T2-9-10, filed November 18, 2005;

Motion of United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses to Interrogatories OCA/USPS-T3-1-6, filed November 29, 2005;

Motion of United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses to Interrogatories OCA/USPS-7-8, filed November 29, 2005; and

Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses to Interrogatories OCA/USPS-T3-7-9, filed December 2, 2005.

In its various motions, the Postal Service describes administrative obstacles that prevented the timely filing of these documents, notes that the filings were late by only a few days, and asserts that no party would be prejudiced by their late acceptance.

Having received no objections to their acceptance, the above Postal Service motions will be granted.

The following motions filed by the Office of the Consumer Advocate are pending in this docket as of January 12, 2006:

Office of the Consumer Advocate Motion to File Late Designation of Written Cross-Examination of United States Postal Service Witness Sharon Daniel (USPS-T-1), filed January 10, 2006;

Office of the Consumer Advocate Motion to File Late Designation of Written Cross-Examination of United States Postal Service Witness Michael W. Miller (USPS-T-2), filed January 10, 2006;

Office of the Consumer Advocate Motion to File Late Designation of Written Cross-Examination of United States Postal Service Witness Samuel J. Koroma (USPS-T-3), filed January 10, 2006; and

Office of the Consumer Advocate Motion to File Late Designation of United States Postal Service Institutional Responses to Written Cross-Examination, filed January 10, 2006.

In its motions, the OCA notes that its designations are only two working days late, and asserts that no party would be prejudiced by their late acceptance. No party should be prejudiced by the granting of these motions. Therefore, they will be granted.

The Commission will designate all of the Postal Service's responses to Commission Information Request No. 1 in this docket for inclusion in the record. No party should be prejudiced by their inclusion at this stage of the proceeding. With the incorporation of this material, the evidentiary record in this case is hereby closed.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. The Postal Service motions listed in the body of this Order are hereby granted.
2. The motions of the Office of the Consumer Advocate listed in the body of this Order are hereby granted.
3. The Postal Service's responses to Commission Information Request No. 1, filed December 21, 2005, are designated for inclusion in the record.
4. The record in this proceeding is closed.

By the Commission
(SEAL)

Steven W. Williams
Secretary