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NOTICE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE OF FILING OF MISSING PAGE
TO TESTIMONY OF WITNESS SCHENK (USPS-T-27)
(October 7, 1997)

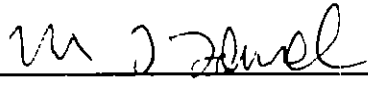
The United States Postal Service hereby provides notice that it is today filing missing page 2 to the testimony of witness Schenk (USPS-T-27). Page 2 was inadvertently excluded from the hard copies of Ms. Schenk's testimony in the Postal Service's files; however, no party alerted the Postal Service of the absence of page 2 from copies served upon the participants. The Postal Service notes, however, that the electronic file containing Ms. Schenk's testimony that can be downloaded from the Commission's web page includes missing page 2. A copy of page 2 is attached. The Postal Service regrets any confusion occasioned by this situation.

Respectfully submitted,

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1 BRM, and commonly referred to as BRMAS-qualified¹ BRM. Although for
2 purposes of my testimony, I refer to such mail as BRMAS-qualified BRM, it bears
3 emphasizing that witness Fronk (USPS-T-32) proposes that the existing
4 Prebarcoded BRM category – *i.e.*, the current BRMAS-qualified BRM be
5 designated as Qualified Business Reply Mail (QBRM), to distinguish it from
6 Prepaid Reply Mail (PRM) and the remaining Other category of advance deposit
7 account BRM².

8 In general, my testimony will describe the current postal BRM counting,
9 rating, and billing methods, as well as the methods expected to be employed in
10 the test year for QBRM and the remaining BRM categories. I estimate the
11 volume-variable costs underlying these methods for the test year.

12 II. Business Reply Mail Characteristics

13 Business Reply Mail is a special service for First-Class nonpresort mail. A
14 BRM recipient designs and prints the postcard or envelope to be used by its
15 customers, and pays the postage on any mailpieces returned to it by those
16 customers. There are currently three fee categories associated with BRM, as
17 described below.

18 BRMAS-qualified BRM pieces are those postcards and 1- and 2-ounce
envelopes which are automation compatible, have both a FIM C and a unique

¹ BRMAS stands for Business Reply Mail Accounting System, which will be discussed below.

² As discussed by witness Fronk (USPS-T-32), some BRMAS-qualified BRM is expected to migrate to PRM, while the rest will become QBRM.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.



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