

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES

Docket No. R2006-1

RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO  
PRESIDING OFFICER'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 5,  
QUESTION 1  
(June 29, 2006)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response to Presiding Officer's Information Request (POIR) No. 5, Question 1, issued June 14, 2006. The following witness is sponsoring the identified response to this POIR:

Witness McCrery                      Question 1

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

Respectfully submitted,

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1. Please provide a generalized description of the flow of the following categories of Standard Mail through the Postal Service from entry to delivery. In the response, please use a format similar to that provided by Pitney Bowes Inc., in interrogatories to the Postal Service in Docket No. R2005-1. See Tr. 5/1650-75 (PB/USPS-T-29-8).
  - a. Nonautomated Mixed ADC Flat, Nondestination Entry
  - b. Nonautomated ADC Flat, Nondestination Entry
  - c. Nonautomated 3-Digit Flat, Nondestination Entry
  - d. Nonautomated 5-Digit Flat, Nondestination Entry
  - e. Nonautomated Mixed ADC/BMC Hybrid Flat, Nondestination Entry
  - f. Nonautomated ADC/BMC Hybrid Flat, Nondestination Entry
  - g. Nonautomated 3-Digit Hybrid Flat, Nondestination Entry
  - h. Nonautomated 5-Digit Hybrid Flat, Nondestination Entry
  - i. Nonautomated Mixed ADC/BMC Hybrid Parcel, Nondestination Entry
  - j. Nonautomated ADC/BMC Hybrid Parcel, Nondestination Entry
  - k. Nonautomated 3-Digit Hybrid Parcel, Nondestination Entry
  - l. Nonautomated 5-Digit Hybrid Parcel, Nondestination Entry
  - m. Nonautomated, Nonmachinable Mixed ADC Parcel, Nondestination Entry
  - n. Nonautomated, Nonmachinable ADC Parcel, Nondestination Entry
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  - s. Nonautomated, Machinable 3-Digit Parcel, Nondestination Entry
  - t. Nonautomated, Machinable 5-Digit Parcel, Nondestination Entry
  - u. Nonautomated, Machinable Mixed BMC Parcel, Nondestination Entry
  - v. Nonautomated, Machinable BMC Parcel, Nondestination Entry

**Response:**

1. Certain steps may not be necessary for finer presort levels and may be skipped. If the container destinatees within the origin BMC service area (intra-BMC), the destination BMC steps can be skipped as well.

If more than one flow is possible, the various flows are indicated with upper-case letters i.e., A, B, C.

- a. Nonautomated, Mixed ADC Flat, Non-destination entry:

1. Mail acceptance and entry

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- a. Non-automation presort mail is received through acceptance units (e.g., BMEU).
  - b. Mail is verified and accepted.
2. Transport to local plant (if necessary)
3. Transport to OBMC  
Mail is transported to originating BMC.
4. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
  - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
  - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
  - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
5. Transport sack to local site listed in L009 labeling list (site performing the origin distribution). See <http://pe.usps.com/text/dmm300/L009.htm> for a list of sites.  
Dispatch containers are transported to plant.
- 6A. APPS operation
  - a. Set up bundle distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up containers, label containers).
  - b. Working mail containers are moved to operation.
  - c. Containers contents are dumped onto the machine.
  - d. Mail is sorted to containers.
  - e. Dispatch containers are "swept" when full or at end of run.
  - f. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 6B. SPBS operation
  - a. Set up bundle distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up containers, label containers).
  - b. Working mail containers are moved to operation.
  - c. Containers contents are dumped onto the machine.
  - d. Mail is keyed to corresponding destination/operations.
  - e. Mail sorts to containers.
  - f. Dispatch containers are "swept" when full or at end of run.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 6C. Manual bundle sorting operation
  - a. Set up containers in a U-shaped configuration for manual distribution of mail.
  - b. Working mail containers are moved to operation.

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- c. Bundles are sorted to containers by reading the address and OEL information on bundles to corresponding containers.
  - d. Dispatch containers are "swept" when full or at end of processing.
  - e. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
7. Flat mail prep
- a. Working mail containers with mixed ADC bundles are moved to mail prep operation.
  - b. Set up Flat Mail Cart (FMC), container tilter, trash receptacle in preparation of operation.
  - c. Bundles are taken from the working containers, their shrink-wrap / strapping / banding is removed.
  - d. Mail pieces are decompensated if necessary.
  - e. Mail pieces are placed in columns of FMC with address facing up and bound edge to the right.
  - f. FMC is weighed if necessary, and moved to piece distribution operation or staged as appropriate.
- 8A. AFSM 100 outgoing primary operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (FMCs, flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed onto the machine.
  - d. Pieces are sorted to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers then staged for further distribution or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 8B. UFSM 1000 outgoing primary operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed or ledges are loaded on the machines.
  - d. Pieces are keyed or scanned to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers then staged for further distribution or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 9A. AFSM 100 outgoing secondary operation (if necessary)

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- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (FMCs, flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed onto the machine.
  - d. Pieces are sorted to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers then staged for further distribution or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 9B. UFSM 1000 outgoing secondary operation (if necessary)
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed or ledges are loaded on the machines.
  - d. Pieces are keyed or scanned to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers then staged for further distribution or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
10. Transport to destination office
- Mail is transported to the destination office.
- 11A. AFSM 100 - ADC piece distribution operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (FMCs, flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed onto the machine.
  - d. Pieces are sorted to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers then staged for further distribution or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 11B. UFSM 1000 - ADC piece distribution operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (flat tray containers) are moved to operation.

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- c. Mail is fed or ledges are loaded on the machines.
  - d. Pieces are keyed or scanned to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers then staged for further distribution or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 12A. AFSM 100 incoming primary operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (FMCs, flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed onto the machine.
  - d. Pieces are sorted to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers then staged for further distribution or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 12B. UFSM 1000 incoming primary operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed or ledges are loaded on the machines.
  - d. Pieces are keyed or scanned to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers then staged for further distribution or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 13A. AFSM 100 incoming secondary operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (FMCs, flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed onto the machine.
  - d. Pieces are sorted to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.

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- g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 13B. UFSM 1000 incoming secondary operation
  - a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed or ledges are loaded on the machines.
  - d. Pieces are keyed or scanned to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 13C. Manual incoming secondary operation (when performed at the plant)
  - a. Set up manual piece distribution operation (set up and label trays etc.)
  - b. Working mail containers are moved to operation.
  - c. Pieces are sorted on the flats case.
  - d. Flat case is "swept" when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Mail is swept to trays.
  - f. Trays are sorted and dispatched.
- 14. Transport to DDU / AO
  - a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU/AO.
  - e. Received containers are staged at working mail staging area.
- 15. DDU operations - Incoming secondary (unless performed at the plant)
  - a. Set up manual piece distribution operation (set up and label trays etc.)
  - b. Working mail containers are moved to operation.
  - c. Pieces are sorted on the flats case.
  - d. Flat case is "swept" when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Mail is swept to trays.
  - f. Trays are sorted and dispatched to carriers.
- 16. Carrier casing
  - a. Carrier cases the flats into the carrier case.
  - b. Carrier "sweeps" the mail into trays.
  - c. Trays are loaded into containers.
- 17. Carrier loading
  - a. Containers are moved to platform by carrier.
  - b. Mail is loaded into delivery vehicles.
  - c. Empty containers are disposed.

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d. Mail is delivered.

Flows b - d assume the mail is prepared in an ADC sack. If the mail is prepared on a pallet, the sack-sorting operations are eliminated and the pallet is cross-docked to the appropriate destination office. Furthermore, when mail is prepared in/on more finely sorted containers, some or all of the bundle distribution steps will be eliminated.

b. Nonautomated ADC flat, Nondestination Entry

1. Mail acceptance and entry
  - a. Non-automation presort mail is received through acceptance units (e.g., BMEU).
  - b. Mail is verified and accepted.
2. Transport to local plant (if necessary)
3. Transport to OBMC  
Mail is transported to the Originating BMC.
4. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
  - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
  - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
  - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
5. Transport to DBMC  
Mail is transported to the destination BMC.
6. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
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  - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
7. Transport to DADC  
Mail is transported to destination ADC.

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8. Sack shake-out operation
  - a. Sacks are processed across a sorting belt.
  - b. Working mail sacks are opened and contents are dumped into containers.
  - c. Direct sacks are routed to the corresponding operation.
- 9A. APPS operation
  - a. Set up bundle distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers etc.).
  - b. Working mail pallets and sacks of mixed ADC flat bundles are moved to operation.
  - c. Container contents are dumped onto the machine.
  - d. Mail is sorted to containers.
  - e. Dispatch containers are "swept" when full or at end of run.
  - f. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 9B. SPBS operation
  - a. Set up bundle distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers etc.).
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- 9C. Manual bundle sorting operation
  - a. Set up containers in a U-shaped configuration for manual distribution of mail.
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10. Flat mail prep
  - a. Working mail containers are moved to mail prep operation.
  - b. Set up Flat Mail Cart (FMC), container tilter, trash receptacle in preparation of operation.
  - c. Bundles are taken from the working containers, their shrink-wrap / strapping / banding is removed.
  - d. Mail pieces are decompensated if necessary.
  - e. Mail pieces are placed in columns of FMC with address facing up and bound edge to the right.

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- f. FMC is weighed if necessary, and moved to piece distribution operation or staged as appropriate.
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  - c. Mail is fed onto the machine.
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- 12B. UFSM 1000 incoming primary operation
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- b. Working mail containers (flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
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  - d. Flat case is "swept" when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Mail is swept to trays.
  - f. Trays are sorted and dispatched.
14. Transport to DDU / AO

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- a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU / AO.
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  5. Transport to DBMC

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Mail is transported to the destination BMC.

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- 11B. UFSM 1000 incoming primary operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed or ledges are loaded on the machines.
  - d. Pieces are keyed or scanned to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers then staged for further distribution or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 12A. AFSM 100 incoming secondary operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).

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- b. Working mail containers (FMCs, flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed onto the machine.
  - d. Pieces are sorted to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 12B. UFSM 1000 incoming secondary operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed or ledges are loaded on the machines.
  - d. Pieces are keyed or scanned to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 12C. Manual incoming secondary operation (when performed at the plant)
- a. Set up manual piece distribution operation (set up and label trays etc.)
  - b. Working mail containers are moved to operation.
  - c. Pieces are sorted on the flats case.
  - d. Flat case is "swept" when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Mail is swept to trays.
  - f. Trays are sorted and dispatched.
13. Transport to DDU / AO
- a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU/AO.
  - e. Received containers are staged at working mail staging area.
14. DDU operations - Incoming secondary (unless performed at the plant)
- a. Set up manual piece distribution operation (set up and label trays etc.)
  - b. Working mail containers are moved to operation.
  - c. Pieces are sorted on the flats case.
  - d. Flat case is "swept" when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Mail is swept to trays.
  - f. Trays are sorted and dispatched to carriers.
15. Carrier casing

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- a. Carrier cases the flats into the carrier case.
  - b. Carrier "sweeps" the mail into trays.
  - c. Trays are loaded into containers.
16. Carrier loading
- a. Containers are moved to platform by carrier.
  - b. Mail is loaded into delivery vehicles.
  - c. Empty containers are disposed.
  - d. Mail is delivered.
- d. Nonautomated 5-digit Flat, Nondestination Entry.
1. Mail acceptance and entry
    - a. Non-automation presort mail is received through acceptance units (e.g., BMEU).
    - b. Mail is verified and accepted.
  2. Transport to local plant (if necessary)
  3. Transport to OBMC  
Mail is transported to Originating BMC.
  4. Mechanized sack sorter operation
    - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
    - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
    - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
    - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
    - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
    - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
    - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
  5. Transport to DBMC  
Mail is transported to destination BMC.
  6. Mechanized sack sorting operation
    - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
    - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
    - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
    - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
    - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
    - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
    - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
  7. Transport to DADC  
Mail is transported to destination ADC.

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8. Sack shake-out operation
  - a. Sacks are processed across a sorting belt.
  - b. Working mail sacks are opened and contents are dumped into containers.
  - c. Direct sacks are routed to the corresponding operation.
- 9A. APPS operation
  - a. Set up bundle distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers etc.).
  - b. Working mail pallets and sacks are moved to operation.
  - c. Container contents are dumped onto the machine.
  - d. Mail is sorted to containers.
  - e. Dispatch containers are "swept" when full or at end of run.
  - f. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 9B. SPBS operation
  - a. Set up bundle distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers etc.).
  - b. Working mail pallets and sacks are moved to operation.
  - c. Container contents are dumped onto the machine.
  - d. Mail is keyed to corresponding destination/operations.
  - e. Mail sorts to containers.
  - f. Dispatch containers are "swept" when full or at end of run.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 9C. Manual bundle sorting operation
  - a. Set up containers in a U-shaped configuration for manual distribution of mail.
  - b. Working mail pallets and sacks are moved to operation.
  - c. Bundles are sorted to containers by reading the address and OEL information on bundles to corresponding containers.
  - d. Dispatch containers are "swept" when full or at end of processing.
  - e. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
10. Flat mail prep
  - a. Working mail containers are moved to mail prep operation.
  - b. Set up Flat Mail Cart (FMC), container tilter, trash receptacle in preparation of operation.
  - c. Bundles are taken from the working containers, their shrink-wrap / strapping / banding is removed.
  - d. Mail pieces are decompensated if necessary.
  - e. Mail pieces are placed in columns of FMC with address facing up and bound edge to the right.
  - f. FMC is weighed if necessary, and moved to piece distribution operation or staged as appropriate.
- 11A. AFSM 100 incoming secondary operation

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- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (FMCs, flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed onto the machine.
  - d. Pieces are sorted to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 11B. UFSM 1000 incoming secondary operation
- a. Set up piece distribution operation (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label trays etc.).
  - b. Working mail containers (flat tray containers) are moved to operation.
  - c. Mail is fed or ledges are loaded on the machines.
  - d. Pieces are keyed or scanned to corresponding destination / operation.
  - e. Pieces sort to trays.
  - f. Dispatch trays are "swept" when full or at end of run and sorted to containers or dispatched to banding / sleeving operation.
  - g. Dispatch containers are staged in dispatch staging area or loading docks.
- 11C. Manual incoming secondary operation
- a. Set up manual piece distribution operation (set up and label trays etc.)
  - b. Working mail containers are moved to operation.
  - c. Pieces are sorted on the flats case.
  - d. Flat case is "swept" when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Mail is swept to trays.
  - f. Trays are sorted and dispatched.
12. Transport to DDU / AO
- a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU/AO.
  - e. Received containers are staged at working mail staging area.
13. DDU operations - Incoming secondary
- a. Set up manual piece distribution operation (set up and label trays etc.)
  - b. Working mail containers are moved to operation.
  - c. Pieces are sorted on the flats case.
  - d. Flat case is "swept" when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Mail is swept to trays.

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- f. Trays are sorted and dispatched to carriers.
- 14. Carrier casing
  - a. Carrier cases the flats into the carrier case.
  - b. Carrier "sweeps" the mail into trays.
  - c. Trays are loaded into containers.
- 15. Carrier loading
  - a. Containers are moved to platform by carrier.
  - b. Mail is loaded into delivery vehicles.
  - c. Empty containers are disposed.
  - d. Mail is delivered.

e - l. The flows can not be mapped out until the preparation is finalized. The proposed preparation is in the process of being defined, and a Federal Register (FR) proposed rule will be published in the fall. After discussions with the industry/internal stakeholders and formal comments to the FR, the preparation standards will then be finalized.

Flows m - p assume that nonautomated nonmachinable parcels are prepared loose in sacks.

m. Nonautomated, Nonmachinable Mixed ADC Parcel, Nondestination Entry

- 1. Mail acceptance and entry
  - a. Non-automation presort mail is received through acceptance units (e.g., BMEU).
  - b. Mail is verified and accepted.
- 2. Transport to local plant (if necessary)
- 3. Transport to Originating ADC
  - Sack is transported to local site listed in L604 labeling list. See <http://pe.usps.com/text/dmm300/L604.htm> for a list of sites.
  - Facilities listed in L604 comprise mostly BMC facilities.
- 4. Pouch rack sortation (sort to ADC)
  - a. Set up pouch rack operation (i.e., hang sacks in rack, label sacks, set up empty equipment etc.)
  - b. Mail container with working sacks are moved to the pouch rack.
  - c. Working sacks are opened, their contents are dumped and mail is sorted into the corresponding sacks in pouch rack.
  - d. Dispatch sacks are tied when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Dispatch sacks are sorted to destination container.
  - f. Destination container is dispatched to destination operation / facility.
- 5. Transport to destination ADC
  - Sack is transported to destination site listed in L603 labeling list. See <http://pe.usps.com/text/dmm300/L603.htm> for a list of sites.
  - Facilities listed in L603 comprise mostly BMC facilities.

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6. Pouch rack sortation (sort to 3-digit)
  - a. Set up pouch rack operation (i.e., hang sacks in rack, label sacks, set up empty equipment etc.)
  - b. Mail container with working sacks are moved to the pouch rack.
  - c. Working sacks are opened, their contents are dumped and mail is sorted into the corresponding sacks in pouch rack.
  - d. Dispatch sacks are tied when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Dispatch sacks are sorted to destination container.
  - f. Destination container is dispatched to destination operation / facility.
7. Transport to SCF / plant  
Mail is transported to destination SCF / plant.
8. Pouch rack sortation (sort to 5-digit)
  - a. Set up pouch rack operation (i.e., hang sacks in rack, label sacks, set up empty equipment etc.)
  - b. Mail container with working sacks are moved to the pouch rack.
  - c. Working sacks are opened, their contents are dumped and mail is sorted into the corresponding sacks in pouch rack.
  - d. Dispatch sacks are tied when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Dispatch sacks are sorted to destination container.
  - f. Destination container is dispatched to destination operation / facility.
9. Transport to DDU / AO
  - a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU/AO.
  - e. Received containers are staged at working mail staging area.
10. DDU operations (sort to carrier)
  - a. Sacks are opened and their contents are dumped.
  - b. Mail is sorted to carrier along with other parcels for delivery.
11. Carrier loading
  - a. Containers are moved to platform by carrier.
  - b. Containers are loaded into Delivery vehicles.
  - c. Mail is delivered.
  - d. Empty containers are disposed.

n. Nonautomated, Nonmachinable ADC Parcel, Nondestination Entry

1. Mail acceptance and entry
  - a. Non-automation presort mail is received through acceptance units (e.g., BMEU).
  - b. Mail is verified and accepted.
2. Transport to local plant (if necessary)
3. Transport to OBMC

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Mail is transported to the originating BMC.

4. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
  - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
  - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
  - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
5. Transport to DBMC

Mail is transported to destination BMC.
6. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
  - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
  - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
  - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
7. Transport to destination ADC (if necessary)

Sack is transported to local site listed in L603 labeling list (if necessary). See <http://pe.usps.com/text/dmm300/L603.htm> for a list of sites. Facilities listed in L603 comprise mostly BMC facilities, so the destination ADC and BMC could be the same facility.
8. Pouch rack sortation (sort to 3-digit)
  - a. Set up pouch rack operation (i.e., hang sacks in rack, label sacks, set up empty equipment etc.)
  - b. Mail container with working sacks are moved to the pouch rack.
  - c. Working sacks are opened, their contents are dumped and mail is sorted into the corresponding sacks in pouch rack.
  - d. Dispatch sacks are tied when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Dispatch sacks are sorted to destination container.
  - f. Destination container is dispatched to destination operation / facility.
9. Transport to SCF / plant

Mail is transported to destination SCF / plant.
10. Pouch rack sortation (sort to 5-digit)

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- a. Set up pouch rack operation (i.e., hang sacks in rack, label sacks, set up empty equipment etc.)
  - b. Mail container with working sacks are moved to the pouch rack.
  - c. Working sacks are opened, their contents are dumped and mail is sorted into the corresponding sacks in pouch rack.
  - d. Dispatch sacks are tied when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Dispatch sacks are sorted to destination container.
  - f. Destination container is dispatched to destination operation / facility.
11. Transport to DDU / AO
- a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU/AO.
  - e. Received containers are staged at working mail staging area.
12. DDU operations (sort to carrier)
- a. Sacks are opened and their contents are dumped.
  - b. Mail is sorted to carrier along with other parcels for delivery.
13. Carrier loading
- a. Containers are moved to platform by carrier.
  - b. Mail is loaded into delivery vehicles.
  - c. Empty containers are disposed.
  - d. Mail is delivered.
- o. Nonautomated, Nonmachinable 3-Digit Parcel, Nondestination Entry
1. Mail acceptance and entry
    - a. Non-automation presort mail is received through acceptance units (e.g., BMEU).
    - b. Mail is verified and accepted.
  2. Transport to local plant ( if necessary)
  3. Transport to OBMC  
Mail is transported to originating BMC.
  4. Mechanized sack sorting operation
    - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
    - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
    - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
    - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
    - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
    - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
    - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.

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5. Transport to DBMC  
Mail is transported to destination BMC.
6. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
  - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
  - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
  - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
7. Transport to SCF / plant  
Mail is transported to the SCF / plant.
8. Pouch rack sortation (sort to 5-digit)
  - a. Set up pouch rack operation (i.e., hang sacks in rack, label sacks, set up empty equipment etc.)
  - b. Mail container with working sacks are moved to the pouch rack.
  - c. Working sacks are opened, their contents are dumped and mail is sorted into the corresponding sacks in pouch rack.
  - d. Dispatch sacks are tied when full or at the end of distribution.
  - e. Dispatch sacks are sorted to destination container.
  - f. Destination container is dispatched to destination operation / facility.
9. Transport to DDU / AO
  - a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU/AO.
  - e. Received containers are staged at working mail staging area.
10. DDU operations (sort to carrier)
  - a. Sacks are opened and their contents are dumped.
  - b. Mail is sorted to carrier along with other parcels for delivery.
11. Carrier loading
  - a. Containers are moved to platform by carrier.
  - b. Mail is loaded into delivery vehicles.
  - c. Empty containers are disposed.
  - d. Mail is delivered.

p. Nonautomated, Nonmachinable 5-Digit Parcel, Nondestination Entry

1. Mail acceptance and entry

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- a. Non-automation presort mail is received through acceptance units (e.g., BMEU).
  - b. Mail is verified and accepted.
2. Transport to local plant ( if necessary)
3. Transport to OBMC  
Mail is transported to originating BMC.
4. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
  - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
  - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
  - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
5. Transport to DBMC  
Mail is transported to destination BMC.
6. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
  - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
  - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
  - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
7. Transport to SCF / plant  
Mail is transported to destination SCF / plant.
8. Manual sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up containers in a U-shaped configuration for manual sack sorting operation.
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to operation.
  - c. Sacks are sorted to corresponding containers.
  - d. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
9. Transport to DDU / AO
  - a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU/AO.

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- e. Received containers are staged at working mail staging area.
- 10. DDU operations (sort to carrier)
  - a. Sacks are opened and their contents are dumped.
  - b. Mail is sorted to carrier along with other parcels for delivery.
- 11. Carrier loading
  - a. Containers are moved to platform by carrier.
  - b. Mail is loaded into delivery vehicles.
  - c. Empty containers are disposed.
  - d. Mail is delivered.

q - s. No such preparation or rate will be offered for these categories.

Flows t-v assume that mail is prepared in sacks. Mail prepared on pallets will bypass sack sorting operations and will be cross-docked to the appropriate destination office.

t. Nonautomated, Machinable 5-Digit Parcel, Nondestination Entry

- 1. Mail acceptance and entry
  - a. Non-automation presort mail is received through acceptance units (e.g., BMEU).
  - b. Mail is verified and accepted.
- 2. Transport to local plant (if necessary)
- 3. Transport to OBMC
  - Mail is transported to the originating BMC.
- 4. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
  - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
  - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
  - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
- 5. Transport to destination BMC
  - Mail is transported to destination BMC.
- 6. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
  - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.

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- d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
- e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
- f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
- g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
- 7. Transport to SCF / plant
  - Mail is transported to destination SCF / plant.
- 8. Manual sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up containers in a U-shaped configuration for manual sack sorting operation.
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to operation.
  - c. Sacks are sorted to corresponding containers.
  - d. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
- 9. Transport to DDU / AO
  - a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU/AO.
  - e. Received containers are staged at working mail staging area.
- 10. DDU operations (sort to carrier)
  - a. Sacks are opened and their contents are dumped.
  - b. Mail is sorted to carrier along with other parcels for delivery.
- 11. Carrier loading
  - a. Containers are moved to platform by carrier.
  - b. Mail is loaded into delivery vehicles.
  - c. Empty containers are disposed.
  - d. Mail is delivered.
  
- u. Nonautomated, Machinable Mixed BMC Parcel, Nondestination Entry
  - 1. Mail acceptance and entry
    - a. Non-automation presort mail is received through acceptance units (e.g., BMEU).
    - b. Mail is verified and accepted.
  - 2. Transport to local plant (if necessary)
  - 3. Transport to Originating BMC
    - Mail is transported to Originating BMC.
  - 4. Primary PSM operation
    - a. Set up the PSM operation (load sort scheme, empty equipment, dispatch labels).
    - b. Containers with parcels are moved to the parcel sorting machine induction area.
    - c. Parcels are inducted into the PSM.
    - d. Parcels are keyed or scanned.

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- e. Parcels are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide.
  - f. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
- 5. Transport to DBMC
  - Mail is transported to destination BMC.
- 6A. Primary PSM operation
  - a. Set up the PSM operation (load sort scheme, empty equipment, dispatch labels).
  - b. Containers with parcels are moved to the parcel sorting machine induction area.
  - c. Parcels are inducted into the PSM.
  - d. Parcels are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Parcels are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide.
  - f. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
- 6B. Secondary PSM operation
  - a. Set up the PSM operation (load sort scheme, empty equipment, dispatch labels).
  - b. Containers with parcels are moved to the parcel sorting machine induction area.
  - c. Parcels are inducted into the PSM.
  - d. Parcels are inducted through Singulate, Scan, Induction Unit (SSIU).
  - e. Parcels are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide.
  - f. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
- 6C. Primary PSM to secondary PSM operation
  - a. Set up the PSM operation (load sort scheme, empty equipment, dispatch labels).
  - b. Containers with parcels are moved to the parcel sorting machine induction area.
  - c. Parcels are inducted into the PSM.
  - d. Parcels are inducted through Singulate, Scan, Induction Unit (SSIU).
  - e. Parcels are sorted to secondary PSM.
  - f. Parcels are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide on the secondary sorter.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
- 7. Transport to local plant
  - Mail is transported to the SCF / plant.
- 8. Transport to DDU / AO
  - a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU/AO.
  - e. Received containers are staged at working mail staging area.
- 9. DDU operations (sort to carrier)
  - a. Container contents are dumped.

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- b. Mail is sorted to carrier along with other parcels for delivery.
- 10. Carrier loading
  - a. Containers are moved to platform by carrier.
  - b. Mail is loaded into delivery vehicles.
  - c. Empty containers are disposed.
  - d. Mail is delivered.

v. Nonautomated, Machinable BMC Parcel, Nondestination Entry

- 1. Mail acceptance and entry
  - a. Non-automation presort mail is received through acceptance units (e.g., BMEU).
  - b. Mail is verified and accepted.
- 2. Transport to local plant (if necessary)
- 3. Transport to OBMC
  - Mail is transported to originating BMC.
- 4. Mechanized sack sorting operation
  - a. Set up sack sorter (i.e., load sort scheme, set up and label containers, etc.).
  - b. Containers with sacks are moved to the sack sorter induction area.
  - c. Sacks are inducted into the sack sorter.
  - d. Sacks are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Sacks are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide / saw-tooth operation.
  - f. Sacks are manually sorted to the corresponding container according to the label.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
- 5. Transport to DBMC
  - Mail is transported to destination BMC.
- 6. Sack shake-out operation
  - a. Sacks are processed across a sorting belt.
  - b. Working mail sacks are opened and contents are dumped into containers.
  - c. Direct sacks are routed to the corresponding operation.
- 7A. Primary PSM operation
  - a. Set up the PSM operation (load sort scheme, empty equipment, dispatch labels).
  - b. Containers with parcels are moved to the parcel sorting machine induction area.
  - c. Parcels are inducted into the PSM.
  - d. Parcels are keyed or scanned.
  - e. Parcels are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide.
  - f. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
- 7B. Secondary PSM operation

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- a. Set up the PSM operation (load sort scheme, empty equipment, dispatch labels).
  - b. Containers with parcels are moved to the parcel sorting machine induction area.
  - c. Parcels are inducted into the PSM.
  - d. Parcels are inducted through Singulate, Scan, Induction Unit (SSIU).
  - e. Parcels are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide.
  - f. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
- 7C. Primary PSM to secondary PSM operation
- a. Set up the PSM operation (load sort scheme, empty equipment, dispatch labels).
  - b. Containers with parcels are moved to the parcel sorting machine induction area.
  - c. Parcels are inducted into the PSM.
  - d. Parcels are inducted through Singulate, Scan, Induction Unit (SSIU).
  - e. Parcels are sorted to secondary PSM.
  - f. Parcels are sorted to corresponding run-out / slide on the secondary sorter.
  - g. Dispatch containers are placarded and prepared for dispatch.
8. Transport to local plant  
Mail is transported to SCF / plant.
9. Transport to DDU / AO
- a. Dispatch containers are moved to truck loading bay.
  - b. Dispatch containers are loaded onto the truck.
  - c. Dispatch containers are transported to the DDU/AO.
  - d. Received containers are unloaded from the truck at the DDU/AO.
  - e. Received containers are staged at working mail staging area.
10. DDU operations - sort to carrier
- a. Container contents are dumped.
  - b. Mail is sorted to carrier along with other parcels for delivery.
11. Carrier loading
- a. Containers are moved to platform by carrier.
  - b. Mail is loaded into delivery vehicles.
  - c. Empty containers are disposed.
  - d. Mail is delivered.