

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

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 2006

Docket No. R2006-1

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO INTERROGATORY OF  
MAJOR MAILERS ASSOCIATION, REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS ABDIRAHMAN  
(MMA/USPS-T22-15)

The United States Postal Service hereby files its response to the above-listed interrogatory, filed on June 19, 2006 and due on July 3, 2006.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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Please refer to R2000-1 Library Reference PRC-LR-12, Part B, sheets HANDWRITTEN FLOW MODEL and QBRM FLOW MODEL.

- A. Please confirm that, according to the Commission's model for HAND letters, 21.46% are unable to be sorted by automation through delivery. If you cannot confirm, please explain.
- B. Please confirm that, according to the Commission's model for QBRM letters, 10.71% are unable to be sorted by automation through delivery. If you cannot confirm, please explain.
- C. Please confirm that, after the first barcoded sortation, the percentage of HAND letters likely to be processed manually is almost twice that of QBRM letters. If you cannot confirm, please explain.
- D. Please confirm that the Commission's model addresses and includes mail processing savings after the first barcoded sortation since, at that point, fewer HAND letters are able to be processed by Automation. If you cannot confirm, please explain.

**RESPONSE:**

- A. Confirmed.
- B. Confirmed.
- C. Confirmed.
- D. Confirmed.