

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

EVOLUTIONARY NETWORK DEVELOPMENT
SERVICE CHANGES, 2006

Docket No. N2006-1

COMMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE IN REPLY TO
PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING NO. N2006-1/29
(July 24, 2006)

The United States Postal Service hereby submits these comments in reply to the Presiding Officer's Ruling No. N2006-1/29 Regarding Procedural Schedule (July 19, 2006).

The Postal Service defers to the discretion of the Presiding Officer in establishing a date for the filing of intervenor testimony in this docket. The Postal Service respectfully requests, however, that any hearings for the purpose of conducting cross-examination on intervenor testimony be held either before or after the period of October 4-16, 2006. Undersigned counsel has long-standing plans to be out of the country during that period, returning on the 15th.

The Postal Service also recognizes that reasonable discovery on documents that are expected to be filed by the Postal Service in the very near future may also need to be accommodated. Notwithstanding its rather blemished record in this regard in this docket, the Postal Service shall endeavor to give such discovery the highest priority.

Respectfully submitted,

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