

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

In the Matter of:)
Observatory Finance Station) Docket No. A2006-1
Pittsburgh, PA 15214-0651)
(Observatory Hill Inc., Petitioner))

MOTION OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE OF ITS
MOTION TO DISMISS PROCEEDING

The United States Postal Service hereby moves for late acceptance of its motion to dismiss this proceeding. On July 6, 2006, the Postal Service filed a notice stating that the Postal Service expected to file a motion to dismiss proceedings in Docket No. A2006-1 on July 21, 2006. That self-imposed deadline proved impossible to meet because of the concurrent need for counsel to address the flood of discovery filed in Docket No. R2006-1 at the close of the initial discovery period regarding the Postal Service's case-in-chief. Since the deadline arose by operation of a Postal Service notice, the necessity for this Motion is less than clear. Yet, it is being filed so that all eventualities are covered.

Respectfully submitted,

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