

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

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 2006

Docket No. R2006-1

RESPONSES OF POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS MITCHUM TO
INTERROGATORIES OF AMERICAN POSTAL WORKERS UNION, AFL-CIO,
REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS McCRERY
(APWU/USPS-T42-11-13)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides witness Mitchum's responses to the above-listed interrogatories of the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO, filed on July 14, 2006, and redirected from witness McCrery.

Each interrogatory is stated verbatim and followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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APWU/USPS-T42-11 How many CONFIRM-related scans did the Postal Service conduct in FY2005?

RESPONSE:

7.4 billion scans were used for a combination of Confirm service and internal seeding programs.

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APWU/USPS-T42-12 What percentage of CONFIRM coded letters received at least one scan in FY2005? Has the Postal Service done any studies on the probability of a CONFIRM coded letter passing through a scanner but a scan is not recorded? If so please summarize the finding of those studies and when they were performed.

RESPONSE:

See my response to OCA/USPS-T40-25 and the Postal Service's response to OCA/USPS-T40-42(f), redirected from me. I am unaware of any studies on the probability of a PLANET Coded letter passing through an activated scanner and no scan being recorded.

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APWU/USPS-T42-13 In his testimony, Mr. Mitchum describes two different types of CONFIRM service, DESTINATION CONFIRM and ORIGIN CONFIRM. Are the scans conducted for these two types of services different? Please describe the types of scans that would be conducted and reported in these two types of services.

RESPONSE:

There is no difference in how these scans are conducted; in both cases the scans are passive.