

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. 10, QUESTION 7  
(August 21, 2006)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its institutional response to Question 7 of Presiding Officer's Information Request (POIR) No. 10, issued August 4, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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7. The FORTRAN programs provided in USPS-LR-L-83, USPS-LR-L-106, USPS-LR-L-84, USPS-LR-L-107, USPS-LR-L-86, and USPS-LR-L-109 when run with the IOCS data set provided in USPS-LR-L-9 produce results different than reported in CADOC05\_REP.out. The IOCS dataset referenced by the Postal Service in program CADOC05\_REP.f seems to be different than the one submitted in USPS-LR-L-9. For instance, the format statement in CADOC05\_REP.f of the above library references identifies more fields than the one used in the CADOC05\_PMPC.f program in USPS-LR-L-128 that uses the dataset from USPS-LR-9. Please supply a new dataset that will produce the results given in CADOC05\_REP.out or revise the aforementioned program to match the IOCS dataset in USPS-LR-L-9. Please make appropriate revisions to other programs in the affected library references if necessary. Also, please identify the exact source of all input data files such as COSTPOOL05.PRN.

**RESPONSE:**

The IOCS dataset used in USPS-LR-L-83, USPS-LR-L-106, USPS-LR-L-84, USPS-LR-L-107, USPS-LR-L-86, and USPS-LR-L-109 is contained in the file 'iocpdata.2005.dat' found in USPS-LR-L-171. This file differs from file 'prcflat05.dat' in USPS-LR-L-9 only by the inclusion of two data fields that are not used for any purpose. See also the response of the Postal Service to POIR No. 2, Question 4.

All files that contain mail processing cost pool dollars and variabilities (costpools05.prn, costpools05\_intl.prn, etc.) are derived from USPS-LR-L-55. Cost pool dollars come from R2006 Ir-l-55\_pt1.xls, worksheet 'Table I-1'; variabilities from R2006 Ir-l-55\_pt6.xls, worksheet 'CS3 cost pools'; and IOCS weighted tallies by cost pool from file 'DOLWGT.rtf'. All maps containing activity codes or subclasses of mail are derived from USPS-LR-L-9, Appendix F. This appendix lists all activity codes used in IOCS as well as the subclass of mail or

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activity each activity code represents. This appendix is used to map a specific direct activity code to a subclass of mail, or a mixed-mail activity code to its corresponding direct activity codes. One exception occurs in USPS-LR-L-84 and USPS-LR-L-107 which contain several activity codes created to represent Standard ECR Mail by rate category that are not found in Appendix F. These activity codes are created in the FORTRAN programs cadoc05\_rep.f (USPS-LR-L-84) and cadoc05\_prc.f (USPS-LR-L-107) by the subroutine 'reassign' found at the end of each program. Finally, the map of MODS finance numbers 'mods\_fins05.srt' comes from USPS-LR-L-55, file 'MODSFIN.rtf' ; the files cs34dk04.dat and cs34dk04.ecr come from USPS-LR-L-55, file 'CS34DK.rtf' ; and the file 'fincag.05' is created from IOCS fields F263 and F264.