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

Postal Rate and Fee Changes, 2006

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Docket No. R2006-1

NOTICE OF OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE  
CONCERNING ERRATA TO RESPONSE OF OCA WITNESS  
JAMES F. CALLOW TO USPS/OCA-T5-15(c)  
(October 20, 2006)

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The Office of the Consumer Advocate hereby gives notice of filing a revised response of James F. Callow to interrogatory USPS/OCA-T5-15(c), filed on October 2, 2006. In the table of the response, the "Average Number of Mailpieces" shown in the third column is revised. The revised figures are calculated using number of scans, i.e., scans that are "unweighted." The "Average Number of Mailpieces" in the original response was calculated using a weighted average number of scans, which are not relevant to Confirm subscribers as proposed in the testimony of witness Callow. Also,

as a result of the revised figures, the "Cost per Mailpiece" in the fourth column for 1,000 million scans used is changed from "\$0.0001" to "\$0.0000." The revised response is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE OF OCA WITNESS JAMES F. CALLOW  
TO INTERROGATORIES USPS/OCA-T5-6-16

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presented in part (c) is incomplete because it shows the cost for millions of scans rather than the cost per mailpiece. See the expanded table below.

Millions of Scans Used	Average Price per Million Scans	Average Number of Mailpieces	Cost per Mailpiece
51	\$382.35	21,575,613	\$0.0004
164	118.90	69,380,404	\$0.0001
1,000	19.50	423,051,244	\$0.0000
10,000	1.95	4,230,512,444	\$0.0000

(d) The Postal Service has testified that presently there are no Platinum subscribers that use more than 750 million scans. See Tr. 14/4144. Nevertheless, one of the goals of my fee proposal, as stated in my testimony at page 14, lines 15-16, is to encourage the expanded use of Confirm service. The decrease in average price per million scans provides strong incentive for mailers to use PLANET barcodes on all their mailings (see my response to part (c), above). It is not unfair to provide price incentives that encourage mailers to make greater use of mail service, such as Confirm. It would be unfair to charge different prices to two different mailers that purchased the same number of scans. Under my fee proposal, for example, any Platinum subscriber purchasing 51 million scans would pay an average price of \$382 per million scans.

(e) Confirmed. However, Platinum subscribers would lose the option of unlimited scans for a fixed subscription fee.

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