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Docket No. R97-1

REVISED RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO
INTERROGATORY OF MAJOR MAILERS ASSOCIATION REDIRECTED FROM
WITNESS HATFIELD
(MMA/USPS-T25-1(C))

The United States Postal Service hereby provides a revised response to the following interrogatory of Major Mailers Association: MMA/USPS-T25-1(C), filed on August 13, 1997 and redirected from witnesses Hatfield. The initial response was filed on October 16, 1997 and a supplemental response was filed on October 21, 1997. Only the attachment to the supplemental response has changed and accordingly, it is the only part of the response included with this cover page.

The changes to the attachment result from revised benchmark costs, occurring due to changes in weighted piggyback factors by shape and basic function, changes in the calculation of test year costs taken from Library Reference H-215, and certain changes in the ratio of total mail processing labor costs. For a more detailed explanation of these changes, please refer to *Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing of Revised Pages and Diskette for Library Reference H-301*, filed today.

Respectfully submitted,

**UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE** 

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TABLE II-2
TOTAL MAIL PROCESSING UNIT COST RESULTS

| First-Class Rate Category                | Cost (in cents) 9.1534 |
|--|------------------------|
|  |                        |
| Automation basic presort letters         | 6.4369                 |
| Automation 3-digit presort letters       | 5.4374                 |
| Automation 5-digit presort letters       | 3.4273                 |
| Automation carrier route presort letters | 2.2402                 |
| Nonautomation presort cards              | 6.4723                 |
| Automation basic presort cards           | 4.5515                 |
| Automation 3-digit presort cards         | 3.8447                 |
| Automation 5-digit presort cards         | 2.4234                 |
| Automation carrier route presort cards   | 0.8717                 |

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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