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NOTICE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
REGARDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
RELATING TO LIBRARY REFERENCE H-220
(January 12, 1998)

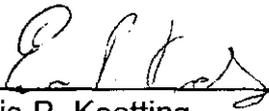
During hearings last month (Tr. 18/8301-02), the Presiding Officer requested that, if possible, additional information regarding the volume audit (LR-H-220) be obtained from the Inspection Service. The requested information is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Written Response of the United States Postal Service
To Oral Question of the Presiding Officer

- Q. Can you provide us with... a summary of [the] error estimates from the individual site reports? (Tr. 18/8301, lines 14-16).
- A. Table 1, below, lists the actual number of pieces counted by the Inspection Service teams at each site, the corresponding MODS FHP, and the percentage difference between the actual count and FHP. To provide some indication of the percentage of the mail counted by the Inspection Service teams (inquired about at Tr. 18/8255, lines 12-14), Table 2 provides total FHP (in thousands) for each of the three APs covering the audit period. The data in Table 2 show that for every facility, the pieces sampled constituted only a minute fraction of the facility's FHP for that accounting period.

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Table 1
Summary of MODS volume audit data

SITE ID	Actual Pcs. Sampled	MODS FHP Conversion	% Difference ACT / MODS - 1
145	41,714	52,106	-19.9%
171	34,932	38,623	-9.6%
324	73,526	62,796	17.1%
455	62,193	67,486	-7.8%
1007	28,297	35,470	-20.2%
1386	36,285	26,304	37.9%
1641	79,317	98,324	-19.3%
2196	24,743	24,161	2.4%
2450	117,824	124,167	-5.1%
2850	45,734	47,779	-4.3%
3431	38,975	52,446	-25.7%
3574	143,718	138,067	4.1%
3820	55,825	52,361	6.6%
4074	39,179	72,979	-46.3%
5536	93,059	57,977	60.5%
5965	80,268	76,789	4.5%
8632	17,842	29,637	-39.8%
8846	7,960	10,201	-22.0%
8991	46,153	54,931	-16.0%
9585	73,223	80,945	-9.5%

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Table 2
FLASH FHP (thousands), FY 1996 Accounting Periods covering MODS volume
audit

SITE ID	FHP (000)		
	AP 07	AP 08	AP 09
145	162,908	161,696	158,524
171	152,075	147,591	140,301
324	154,953	154,556	148,571
455	88,236	88,723	84,921
1007	189,440	187,996	183,801
1386	131,536	137,626	127,634
1641	177,328	181,528	174,976
2196	138,801	140,633	140,877
2450	136,154	136,103	130,338
2850	131,873	133,447	137,623
3431	136,105	135,554	132,041
3574	184,757	185,789	182,408
3820	159,363	162,142	152,599
4074	187,688	189,883	180,853
5536	199,370	197,462	186,033
5965	139,216	140,124	138,375
8632	151,701	155,884	149,252
8846	113,687	110,939	108,622
8991	152,346	152,702	152,600
9585	114,516	114,235	113,339

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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