

Before the
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20268-0001

Notice of Price Adjustment

Docket No. R2009-2

STATEMENT OF CONCURRENCE
OF THE GREETING CARD ASSOCIATION

Review of the comments filed in this proceeding on March 2, 2009, indicates that a number of participants favor the idea (suggested originally by the Commission¹) of initiating a separate proceeding concerning the proper benchmark for, and calculation of, First-Class worksharing discounts. Both supporters and opponents of the delinked method which the Postal Service uses in this case have advocated such a step.

The Greeting Card Association (GCA), which has previously filed its substantive comments on this question, agrees that – assuming the issue is not disposed of in this Docket – a separate proceeding on the benchmark issue would be desirable. GCA hopes that such a proceeding could be launched and concluded in time to govern the next (2010) rate adjustment.

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Respectfully submitted,

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¹ Chairman's Information Request No. 1, p. 3 (February 13, 2009).