

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

STATION AND BRANCH OPTIMIZATION AND
CONSOLIDATION INITIATIVE, 2009

Docket No. N2009-1

NOTICE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
OF FILING OF LIBRARY REFERENCES
(July 2, 2009)

In accordance with Rule 31(b)(2), the United States Postal Service hereby provides notice that today it is filing the following Library References:

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| USPS-LR-N2009-1/1 | Official Record to Close the Buhl, PA Classified Station, Docket No. 16146 (Public Version) |
| USPS-LR-N2009-1/2 | Official Record to Close the Washburn, IA Classified Branch, Docket No. 50706 (Public Version) |
| USPS-LR-N2009-1/NP1 | Official Record to Close the Buhl, PA Classified Station, Docket No. 16146 (Non-Public Version) |
| USPS-LR-N2009-1/NP2 | Official Record to Close the Washburn, IA Classified Branch, Docket No. 50706 (Non-Public Version) |

Library References USPS-LR-N2009-1/1 and USPS-LR-N2009-1/2 are each examples of decision packages that supported a decision by the United States Postal Service to discontinue the operations of a particular local station or branch. They have been filed solely to illustrate the elements of the discontinuance review process that the Postal Service intends to employ as part of the Initiative that has been submitted for review in this docket.

The public versions of these Library References were redacted to eliminate personal identifying information of customers who provided information in their individual capacities. The United States Postal Service chose not to make public the names, addresses and other personal information of postal patrons who submitted comments in

response to the proposed station or branch discontinuance.

By operation of 39 U.S.C. § 410(c)(1), the mandatory public disclosure requirements of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, do not apply to the names or addresses of postal patrons. Public disclosure of such information may be viewed by such patrons as contrary to their expectations of privacy. Such information also could be used by postal competitors to pursue opportunities to increase their business. The disclosure of such information would not advance any interest related to the financial transparency of the Postal Service, or any interest of a participant in PRC Docket No. N2009-1. The Postal Service could suffer commercial injury from such disclosure, to the extent that it (a) provokes patrons to respond to a perceived violation of privacy by refraining from future postal product and service purchases or (2) provides intelligence to postal competitors seeking to target their marketing efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

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