

**BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001**

**Six-Day to Five-Day Street Delivery
and Related Service Changes, 2010**

Docket No. N2010-1

**DOUGLAS F. CARLSON
INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION
OF DOCUMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
(DFC/USPS-6-17)**

April 12, 2010

Pursuant to sections 25–27 of the *Rules of Practice*, I hereby submit interrogatories and requests for production of documents to the United States Postal Service.

The instructions contained in my interrogatories to witness Granholm (DFC/USPS-T3-1–8) are incorporated herein by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: April 12, 2010

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DFC/USPS-6. Please explain the criteria that the Postal Service uses to determine the service standard for Priority Mail between each three-digit ZIP Code pair.

DFC/USPS-7. Please explain the criteria that the Postal Service uses to determine whether Next Day Express Mail service will be available between a particular three-digit ZIP Code pair.

DFC/USPS-8. For mail pieces that weigh less than 13 ounces for which customers desire no special service, please confirm that the rate to send this mail by First-Class Mail is lower than the rate to send this mail by Priority Mail. If you do not confirm, please explain.

DFC/USPS-9. For mail pieces that weigh less than 13 ounces for which customers desire no special service and that are destined to a ZIP Code for which the service standard for Priority Mail is greater than one day, please explain why a customer aware of all relevant facts and information, including rates and service standards, would rationally choose to send this mail by Priority Mail instead of First-Class Mail on a Friday.

DFC/USPS-10. For Express Mail accepted on Saturdays, please describe the criteria for Next Day Express Mail service and the circumstances under which Next Day Express Mail service is provided.

DFC/USPS-11. If the Postal Service implemented the plan that it proposes in this docket, for Express Mail accepted on Saturday, please describe the criteria that would apply for Next Day Express Mail service and the circumstances under which Next Day Express Mail service would be provided.

DFC/USPS-12. If the Postal Service implemented the plan that it proposes in this docket, please explain whether every Express Mail item accepted on Saturday would be guaranteed for delivery not later than Monday (if Monday is not a holiday).

DFC/USPS-13. If the Postal Service implemented the plan that it proposes in this docket, please explain whether the Postal Service would deliver Express Mail to street addresses on Saturdays with no extra fee such as the current surcharge for delivery on Sundays and holidays.

DFC/USPS-14. Please identify all activities for which the Postal Service currently incurs costs on Saturdays, the costs for these activities, and the changes to these costs that the Postal Service estimates if it implements the plan that it proposes in this docket.

DFC/USPS-15. If the Postal Service implemented the plan that it proposes in this docket, would the availability of Next Day Express Mail service for Express Mail items accepted on Friday change?

DFC/USPS-16. Please explain whether every piece of outgoing First-Class Mail that carriers collect on their route on a Friday should be dispatched to the processing facility on Friday.

DFC/USPS-17. Please confirm that all outgoing First-Class Mail that carriers in Bishop, California, collect on their routes on Fridays is dispatched to the processing plant on Friday. In your response, please include the time that the final dispatch truck is scheduled to depart from the Bishop post office on Fridays.