

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

SIX-DAY TO FIVE DAY STREET DELIVERY  
AND RELATED SERVICE CHANGES, 2010

Docket No. N2010-1

RESPONSES OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
TO QUESTIONS 2.d AND 4 OF CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 8  
(July 16, 2010)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its responses to Questions 2.d and 4 of Chairman's Information Request No. 8, dated July 8, 2010. Answers were sought no later than July 13. Each question is stated verbatim and is followed by the response. Because these responses merely provide output data from institutional data systems, the responses are likewise institutional.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Question 2**

According to the data provided in USPS-LR-N2010-1/3, approximately 10,000 routes were eliminated during FY 2009.

- a. What are the inputs to the Carrier Optimal Routing (COR) and Joint Alternate Route Assessment Process route restructuring models?
- b. How does the route restructuring process, and the COR model in particular, accommodate delivery days with higher volumes; for example, peak load volume on Mondays?
- c. What additional mail processing costs are associated with route restructuring; for example, processing Carrier Route mail on an Incoming Secondary sort until mailers adjust their presort schemes to the new route schemes?
- d. Please provide for each district:
  - i. The number of routes that were eliminated during FY 2009; and
  - ii. The number of routes that have been eliminated year to date for FY 2010.

**RESPONSE:**

[a] – [c] Response provided by witness Granholm on July 13, 2010.

[d] The requested data appear on the attached sheet, for which an

Excel file is also attached.

## Number of Routes Eliminated

	FY 2009	FY 2010
<b>Capital Metro</b>	<b>-595</b>	<b>-30</b>
BALTIMORE	-89	-17
CAPITAL	-214	0
GREATER SOUTH CAROLINA	-46	-1
GREENSBORO	-47	-4
MID-CAROLINAS	-70	2
NORTHERN VIRGINIA	-47	-9
RICHMOND	-82	-1

<b>Eastern</b>	<b>-1,370</b>	<b>-9</b>
APPALACHIAN	-30	11
CENTRAL PA	-102	16
CINCINNATI	-196	4
COLUMBUS	-26	-18
KENTUCKIANA	-80	-1
NORTHERN OHIO	-221	-8
PHILADELPHIA	-205	-1
PITTSBURGH (Western PA)	-169	-3
SOUTH JERSEY	-204	-3
WESTERN NEW YORK	-137	-6

<b>Great Lakes</b>	<b>-1,218</b>	<b>-41</b>
CENTRAL ILLINOIS	-84	-30
CHICAGO	-160	-20
DETROIT	-125	-34
GATEWAY	-121	4
GREATER INDIANA	-183	-2
GREATER MICHIGAN	-80	8
LAKELAND	-157	7
NORTHERN ILLINOIS	-161	6
SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN	-147	20

<b>Northeast Total</b>	<b>-1,146</b>	<b>-8</b>
ALBANY	-38	1
BOSTON	-81	0
CONNECTICUT	-169	3
MAINE (No New England)	-51	5
SE NEW ENGLAND	-105	-8
CARIBBEAN	-40	5
LONG ISLAND	-87	0
NEW YORK	-85	-15
NORTHERN NEW JERSEY	-237	-8
TRIBORO	-169	13
CENTRAL NEW JERSEY	-31	0
WESTCHESTER	-53	-4

	FY 2009	FY 2010
<b>Pacific</b>	<b>-2,054</b>	<b>-1</b>
BAY-VALLEY	-424	8
HONOLULU	-43	-14
LOS ANGELES	-277	-21
SACRAMENTO	-190	54
SAN DIEGO	-305	32
SAN FRANCISCO	-224	-24
SANTA ANA	-360	-33
SIERRA COSTAL	-231	-3

<b>Southeast</b>	<b>-1,366</b>	<b>57</b>
ALABAMA	-61	5
ATLANTA	-184	17
MISSISSIPPI	-115	-1
NORTH FLORIDA	-83	-1
SOUTH FLORIDA	-374	37
SOUTH GEORGIA	-55	0
SUNCOAST	-398	1
TENNESSEE	-96	-1

<b>Southwest</b>	<b>-701</b>	<b>11</b>
ALBUQUERQUE	-11	-4
ARKANSAS	-63	4
DALLAS	-95	7
FORT WORTH	-60	-9
HOUSTON	-191	-24
LOUISIANA	-80	29
OKLAHOMA	-67	4
RIO GRANDE	-134	4

<b>Western</b>	<b>-1,666</b>	<b>126</b>
ALASKA	-12	-3
ARIZONA	-305	25
BIG SKY	-27	8
CENTRAL PLAINS	-93	-30
COLORADO/WYOMING	-246	38
DAKOTAS	-46	11
HAWKEYE	-103	25
MID-AMERICA	-104	-16
NEVADA-SIERRA	-114	-8
NORTHLAND	-168	42
PORTLAND	-181	44
SALT LAKE CITY	-89	9
SEATTLE	-178	-19

<b>National</b>	<b>-10,116</b>	<b>105</b>
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**Question 4**

Please provide the district level city carrier daily volumes, the total number of routes, and in-office and street costs for FY 2009 from the DOIS database. Please provide this data for each district in the same format and level of detail as provided in the response to CHIR No. 3, question 10.

**RESPONSE:**

Attached to this response electronically is an Excel workbook (ChIR.8.Q.4.DOIS.District.xls) which contains the requested information.