## **DOCKET SECTION**

BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268–0001 RECEIVED

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UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO
MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS OF AMERICA WITNESS LITTLE
(USPS/MPA-T1-35-36)

Pursuant to rules 25 and 26 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure and rule 2 of the Special Rules of Practice, the United States Postal Service directs the following interrogatories and requests for production of documents to Magazine Publishers of America witness Little: USPS/MPA-T1—35-36.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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USPS/MPA-T1-35. In response to USPS/MPA-T1-24-28, Meredith Corporation provided information for the main file of two publications for calendar year 1997.

- a. Please describe generally how Meredith Corporation's mailings are prepared and how that preparation has changed for each of the last ten years.
- b. Please indicate, by year, the changes in make-up such as changes in average bundle size, changes in containerization, and the average number of bundles and pieces per container.
- c. Please indicate in percentage terms, what savings, if any, Meredith Corporation has experienced in its mail preparation costs (excluding postage) due to changes in the make-up of its mailings.
- d. Even if a percentage cannot be calculated for such savings, as requested in subpart (c) above, please indicate whether or not Meredith Corporation has experienced savings.

USPS/MPA-T1-36. In response to USPS/MPA-T1-24-28, Meredith Corporation provided pallet and sack information for the main file of two publications for calendar year 1997. If possible, please provide a similar table of pallet and sack information only for mail that was dropshipped to destination.

## **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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