

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

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

Docket No. N2010-1

RESPONSES OF PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVES' WITNESS BROWN
TO QUESTIONS ON SEVERAL VOTE BY MAIL MATTERS
POSED AT THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2010 HEARING

(September 21, 2010)

The Public Representatives provide witness Brown's promised responses to three questions posed to her at the Tuesday, September 14, 2010 hearing. A relevant portion of the written (uncorrected) transcript is quoted to provide context, and this excerpt is followed by the response.

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**RESPONSE OF PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVES' WITNESS BROWN
TO QUESTION CONCERNING WHETHER
THE FIVE-DAY MAILING REQUIREMENT INCLUDES SUNDAY**

TR. 9/2691-2

QUESTION:

BY MR. TIDWELL:

Q. What would be the last day this week that the county election could mail out the replacement ballot?

A. [Witness Brown] They can mail it up to five days ahead of the election.

CHAIRMAN GOLDWAY: Would that include Sunday?

THE WITNESS: I doubt that the county election clerks work on Sundays. I believe that a -- that's a very good question. I need to get back with you with information on that, whether the fifth day is included as a Sunday. I will find out and get that information for you.

BY MR. TIDWELL:

Q. So it's unclear whether it's five business days or five calendar days?

A. [Witness Brown] I presume it's five business days, but let me check.

RESPONSE:

I was mistaken in my testimony; it is actually five calendar days.

**RESPONSE OF PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVES' WITNESS BROWN
TO QUESTION CONCERNING WHETHER INFORMATION ON
DROPSITE LOCATIONS IS INCLUDED IN THE BALLOT PACKAGE**

TR. 9/2693

QUESTION:

BY MR. TIDWELL:

Do the county offices, when they send out a ballot 14 to 18 days before the election, does the ballot package include instructions, for instance, that might identify the drop off locations in the voter's county?

A. [Witness Brown] The question is whether the ballot has that? The ballot has

Q. [Mr. Tidwell] The package.

A. [Witness Brown] The package. ... I don't know whether the ballot drop off places are actually listed, I would have to check and get that information for you.

RESPONSE:

Some counties include a post card with dropsite locations in their ballot package. The Elections division also includes that information on the oregonvotes.org website. That information is also included in the voter's pamphlet, which goes out to every registered voter in the State of Oregon before a given election.

**RESPONSE OF PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVES' WITNESS BROWN
TO QUESTION CONCERNING REPLACEMENT BALLOTS**

TR. 9/2700-01

QUESTION:

Q. [Mr. Tidwell] ... Earlier we were discussing this phenomenon of replacement ballots. Do you happen to know what percentage of voters in the recent election maybe had to use a replacement ballot?

A. [Witness Brown] No, I don't, and I'm not sure that information is available. If it is, I'll try to provide it to you within seven days.

RESPONSE:

I do not the percentage of voters who had to use a replacement ballot; we do not keep these statistics.