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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
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Semi-Permanent Exceptions from
Periodic Reporting of Service
Performance Measurement

Docket No. RM2011-4

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1

(Issued December 13, 2010)

To clarify the basis of the request for a semi-permanent exception from periodic reporting of service performance measurement, the Postal Service is requested to provide a written response to the following questions. Answers should be provided on or before December 20, 2010.

1. The questions that follow concern the Postal Service's \$4 million dollar estimate for incorporating First-Class Mail Flats measurement into the EXFC measurement system. Request at 3. If appropriate, responses may be provided under seal.
 - a. What is the basis of the \$4 million estimate? Please disaggregate the estimate by each major contract element. Please provide all documentation provided by the EXFC vendor to the Postal Service used to justify the \$4 million estimate.
 - b. What is the most recent date on which the EXFC vendor provided the Postal Service with a written estimate of the cost for incorporating the measurement of First-Class Mail Flats into the EXFC measurement system?

- c. Please explain whether the \$4 million estimate represents a one-time cost or a recurring cost. What are the recurring costs after the first year, and what is the basis of the estimate of recurring costs? Please provide all documentation provided by the EXFC vendor used to justify these costs.
2. Has the EXFC vendor provided the Postal Service with more than one option for incorporating the measurement of First-Class Mail Flats into the EXFC measurement system? If answered in the affirmative, please describe the options presented and their associated costs.

By the Chairman.

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