

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
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Before Commissioners: Edward J. Gleiman, Chairman;
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and George A. Omas

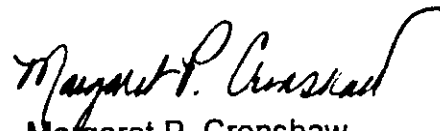
Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R97-1

NOTICE

(June 22, 1998)

The attached two pages were referred to but omitted from the Errata
Notice issued June 19, 1998.


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Secretary

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COMPARISON OF MARK-UPS

	R97-1 PRC Recommended Decision	R94-1	R90-1	R87-1	R84-1	R80-1	R77-1	R76-1	R74-1	R71-1
All Mail & Special Services	55.3	56.9	50.0	48	52	27	24	52	69	85
First-Class										
Letters & Sealed Parcels	72.4	74.5	61.7	58	59	25	24	63	87	96
Cards	50.5	36.7	45.9	64	93	33	49	104	129	173
Priority Mail	66.1	97.0	85.4	76	104	58	66	121	132	213
Express Mail	13.6	18.9	28.6	69	139	123	422	-	-	-
Mailgrams	725.5	1.6	2.8	11	81	293	137	-	-	-
Periodicals										
Within County	0.6	2.8	1.5	5	1	0	0	0	1	0
Regular Rate	1.0	16.3	23.2	25	24	21	0	19	17	29
Nonprofit 2/	0.7	4.1	1.1	5	3	0	0	0	0	0
Classroom	-16.3	6.8	-	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Controlled Circulation	--	--	--	--	--	--	33	49	82	162
Standard (A):										
Single Piece	--	4.5	20.1	26	15	0	4	4	4	75
Commercial Other	34.6									
Commercial ECR	103.0									
Total Bulk Rate Regular	52.5	51.1	47.0	41	46	34	20	55	82	104
Nonprofit Bulk Other	13.7									
Nonprofit Bulk ECR	43.0									
Total Bulk Rate Nonprofit	16.8	8.7	0.9	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Standard (B):										
Zone Rates Parcel Post	8.0	7.4	11.5	12	16	6	3	21	41	56
Bound Printed Matter	35.6	36.6	44.5	49	74	39	25	63	90	169
Special Rate	5.6	4.6	4.8	6	12	6	2	35	38	54
Library Rate	-17.9	0.8	0.0	1	2	0	0	0	1	--
Government Mail 1/	--	--	--	120	136	132	116	206	229	212
Free for the Blind	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
International Mail	25.3	21.8	48.1	23	48	16	29	57	62	103
Special Services	43.5	34.7	28.2	9	30	21	18	2	8	75

1/ Government Mail distributed to all classes in R90-1

2/ Nonprofit and Classroom combined in R90-1

COMPARISON OF MARK-UP INDICES

	R97-1 PRC Recommended Decision	R94-1	R90-1	R87-1	R84-1	R80-1	R77-1	R76-1	R74-1	R71-1
All Mail & Special Services	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
First-Class										
Letters & Sealed Parcels	1.308	1.310	1.235	1.200	1.135	0.926	1.000	1.210	1.260	1.130
Cards	0.913	0.645	0.919	1.330	1.788	1.222	2.040	2.000	1.870	2.040
Priority Mail	1.195	1.705	1.708	1.580	2.000	2.148	2.750	2.330	1.910	2.510
Express Mail	0.245	0.332	0.572	1.420	2.673	4.556	17.580	--	--	--
Mailgrams	13.114	0.028	0.056	0.230	1.558	10.852	5.710	--	--	--
Periodicals										
Within County	0.010	0.048	0.031	0.110	--	--	--	--	0.010	--
Regular Rate	0.017	0.286	0.465	0.510	0.462	0.778	0.000	0.370	0.250	0.340
Nonprofit 2/	0.012	0.072	0.022	0.100	--	--	--	--	--	--
Classroom	-0.294	0.120	--	0.100	--	--	--	--	--	--
Controlled Circulation	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.380	0.940	1.190	1.480
Standard (A)										
Single Piece	--	0.078	0.402	0.540	0.288	--	0.170	0.080	0.060	0.880
Commercial Other	0.626									
Commercial ECR	1.862									
Total Bulk Rate Regular	0.949	0.899	0.941	0.840	0.885	1.259	0.830	1.060	1.190	1.220
Nonprofit Bulk Other	0.248									
Nonprofit Bulk ECR	0.778									
Total Bulk Rate Nonprofit	0.303	0.152	0.018	0.170	--	--	--	--	--	--
Standard (B)										
Zone Rates Parcel Post	0.144	0.131	0.230	0.240	0.308	0.222	0.130	0.400	0.590	0.660
Bound Printed Matter	0.643	0.643	0.890	1.020	1.423	1.444	1.040	1.210	1.300	1.990
Special Rate	0.101	0.080	0.097	0.110	0.231	0.222	0.080	0.670	0.550	0.640
Library Rate	-0.324	0.013	0.001	0.030	--	--	--	--	0.010	--
Government Mail 1/	--	--	--	2.480	2.615	4.889	4.830	3.960	3.320	2.490
Free for the Blind	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
International Mail	0.457	0.383	0.962	0.480	0.923	0.593	1.210	1.100	0.900	1.210
Special Services	0.787	0.610	0.564	0.200	0.577	0.778	0.750	0.040	0.120	0.880

1/ Government Mail distributed to all classes in R90-1

2/ Nonprofit and Classroom combined in R90-1