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RULING NO: MC98-1/27

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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Docket No. MC98-1

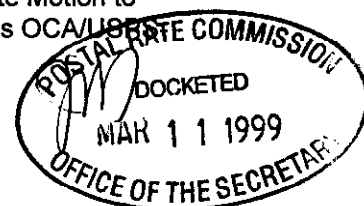
PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING CERTIFYING MOTION TO FULL COMMISSION

(March 11, 1999)

On March 4, 1999, the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA) filed a Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule Indefinitely, and to Compel Responses to Interrogatories OCA/USPS-27-36, -39, and -41-61 (OCA Motion) and on March 5, 1999, filed a Motion for Oral Argument and Motion for Expedited Responses to Motions to Suspend Procedural Schedule and to Compel Responses to Interrogatories (March 5 Motion). Presiding Officer's Ruling MC98-1/26, issued March 8, 1999, granted the March 5 Motion setting March 10 at noon as the deadline for filing written responses to the motion and Thursday, March 11 as the date for oral argument on these issues. The Postal Service filed a written response to the OCA Motion on March 10, 1999.¹

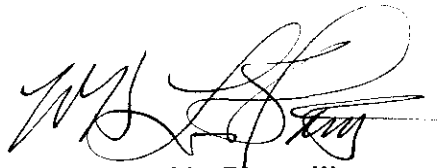
These pleadings involve important questions of law or policy concerning which there is substantial ground for difference of opinion, and consideration of these issues by the full Commission will materially advance the ultimate termination of this proceeding. Therefore, pursuant to rule 32 I shall certify the OCA Motion to the full Commission for its consideration.

¹ Response of United States Postal Service to Office of the Consumer Advocate Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule Indefinitely, and to Compel Responses to Interrogatories OCA/USPS-27-36, 39, and 41-61.



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The Office of the Consumer Advocate Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule Indefinitely, and to Compel Responses to Interrogatories OCA/USPS-27-36, -39, and -41-61, filed March 4, 1999, is certified to the full Commission.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W.H. LeBlanc III', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

W.H. "Trey" LeBlanc III
Presiding Officer