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OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
NOTICE OF FILING OF REVISED CROSS-EXAMINATION
EXHIBIT FOR WITNESS GARVEY
(March 29, 1999)

On the afternoon of March 26, 1999, counsel for the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA) received word from Postal Service counsel that the Advertising and Marketing cost figure for Market Test to Date, last reported in the Revised Accounting Period Data Reports on March 19, 1999, as \$2,068,909, was incorrect. According to Postal Service counsel, the correct Advertising and Marketing cost figure to date is \$4.4 million. This revision of the Advertising and Marketing cost figure necessitates a revision to an oral cross-examination exhibit for witness Garvey filed by OCA on March 26. The revised cross-examination exhibit, OCA-RT1-XE1, is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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## OCA-RT1-XE1: OCA Cross Examination Exhibit for Witness Garvey (Estimate of PostOffice Online Nationwide Advertising Budget for 2-Year Experimental Period)

Total population of U.S. <sup>1</sup>	<u>270,253,500</u>
5 Marketing Areas involved in Mailing Online Market Test	Population of Statistical Area
New York (Rand McNally Major Trading Area) <sup>2</sup>	26,950,500
Total New England County Metropolitan Areas³ (Encompasses 2 marketing areas: Boston and Hartford)	11,364,700
Philadelphia (Rand McNally Major Trading Area) <sup>4</sup>	9,203,000
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Orlando (Rand McNally Major Trading Area) <sup>5</sup>	6,256,800

270,253,500/53,775,000 = 5.03 (rounds to 5)

TOTAL POPULATION MARKETING AREAS

Estimate of national advertising budget for PostOffice Online over 2-year experimental period:

53,775,000

5 x \$258,824<sup>6</sup> per week x 104 weeks = \$134,588,480 Advertising budget for one year = \$134,588,480/2 = \$67,294,240

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Rand McNally Commercial Atlas & Marketing Guide (1999 ed.) at 40. Based on January 1, 1998, population estimates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ld

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Id. at 59. (This is an overestimate of the population involved in the market test as it includes Providence, Warwick, and Pawtucket, RI, areas not participating in the market test.)

<sup>4</sup> ld. at 40.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Id. at 40. (This is an overestimate of the population involved in the market test as it includes Orlando, FL, an area not participating in the market test).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The total advertising expenditure for the market test to date for PostOffice Online is \$4.4 million, covering a period of 17 weeks. This yields a weekly average expenditure of \$258,823.53 (rounds to \$258,824).

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this date 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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