UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-00001

Before Commissioners: Edward J. Gleiman, Chairman;

W.H. "Trey" LeBlanc III, Vice Chairman; Commissioners Dana B. Covington, Sr., Ruth Y. Goldway, and George A. Omas

International Mail Report

Docket No. IM99-1

SIXTH NOTICE OF INTERNATIONAL MAIL DATA REQUIREMENTS (Issued June 8, 1999)

To help the Commission prepare the report required by 39 U.S.C. Section 3663, on the costs, volumes, and revenues of the Postal Service's international mail services, the Service is requested to provide the following information on or before June 15, 1999. If any of the items listed below can be provided sooner, the Postal Service is requested to do so.

1. Please provide the FY 1998 per piece unit attributable cost for Air Letters to Canada by weight increment corresponding to the weight increments shown in IMM 225.21. Also, please provide the FY 1998 piece volumes for Bulk Letter Service to Canada corresponding to the weight increments shown in IMM 225.21. Did the Postal Service use the FY 1997 version of these data to develop the attributable costs that underlie the current rates (effective 5/30/99) for Bulk Letters to Canada? If so, were the attributable costs obtained by cross-multiplying the corresponding unit cost and volumes by weight increment? If not, please provide the correct procedure and the applicable FY 1998 data. Alternatively, the Postal Service may provide only FY 1998 aggregate attributable cost for Bulk Letter Service to Canada using this procedure.

2. Please provide the FY 1998 per piece unit attributable cost for Surface Printed Matter to Canada by shape (letter and flat) and by weight increment corresponding to the shape and weight increments shown in IMM 247.31. Also please provide the FY 1998 piece volumes for ValuePost/Canada corresponding to the shape and weight increments shown in IMM 247.31. Did the Postal Service use the FY 1997 version of these data to develop the attributable costs that underlie the current rates (effective 5/30/99) for ValuePost/Canada? If so, were the attributable costs obtained by cross-multiplying the corresponding unit cost and volumes by shape and weight increment? If not, please provide the correct procedure and the applicable FY 1998 data. Alternatively, the Postal Service may provide only FY 1998 aggregate attributable cost for ValuePost/Canada using this procedure.

It is ordered:

- 1. The Postal Service shall provide the information described in the body of this Order on or before June 15, 1999.
- 2. If any of the items of information cannot be provided by that time, the Postal Service shall provide a schedule of when those items can be provided.

By the Commission.

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Margaret P. Crenshaw Secretary