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BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268–0001

PERIODIC REPORTING (PROPOSAL FOUR)	Docket No. RM2016-12

SECOND MOTION OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE SEEKING ISSUANCE OF INFORMATION REQUESTS TO UNITED PARCEL SERVICE
(October 21, 2016)

To support its October 17th Comments opposing Proposal Four, UPS submitted a large body of public and nonpublic technical material. In accordance with 39 CFR § 3050.11(c), the Postal Service requests that the Commission pose to UPS the appended questions and requests for information. Responses on these subjects would allow the Commission and interested parties to better evaluate the merits of the UPS arguments.

Respectfully submitted,

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1. Please refer to UPS-LR-RM2016-12/1 and the Excel workbook entitled "NDC Correspondence.CSV" There is only one worksheet in the workbook and it includes the following entries. Please provide the meanings for each of the included three-digit values.

q1	q2	q3	q4
06K	02M	04D	01J
03K	03M	08D	02J
69K	29M	49D	19J
64K	26M	47D	17J
70K	70M	20D	80J
73K	73M	28D	82J
50K	10M	50D	60J
57K	17M	52D	68J
51K	15M	56D	65J
84K	86M	17D	37J
25K	41M	35D	46J
81K	85M	16D	35J
40K	60M	70D	70J
20K	40M	30D	40J
44K	66M	77D	77J
22K	44M	33D	44J
34K	36M	87D	27J
10K	50M	60D	50J
90K	90M	90D	90J
98K	98M	91D	93J
91K	95M	96D	95J

2. Please refer to Excel workbook entitled, "vol by region intrandc_raw.csv." In the first column under the heading "ndc_region" there is a listing of letters from A through U.

a. Please confirm that each of the included letter refers to a different NDC. If not confirmed, please explain what the letters refer to.

b. If confirmed, please provide (under seal) a correspondence between the individual letters and the actual NDC to which it refers.

3. The program entitled "NDC Region Assignment.R" includes both "parent nodes" and "child nodes". Please explain how individual nodes are identified and how they are classified as either "parent" nodes or "child" nodes.

4. Please refer to the following Excel Workbooks: interndchist.csv, interscfhist.csv, intrandchist.csv, intrascfhist.csv. In each of those workbooks two columns appear, one entitled "Full" and one entitled "fullnumber." Please provide definitions for each of those variables.

5. Please refer to the program entitled, "TRACS cost.R." That program includes the following lines of code:

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# inflate cost by stratum weight
df %<>% mutate (cost_product = cost * stratum_weight)
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Please confirm that the variable "cost" in this code is identical to the "COST" variable included in the TRACS data. If you do not confirm, please indicate how the "cost" variable included in the program differs from the "COST" variable in TRACS.

6. Please refer to UPS-LR-RM2016/NP1, files wvinterndc.csv, wvintrandc.csv, wvinterscf.csv, and wvintrascf.csv. For each file listed, please provide the formula used to calculate the values in column E sum_mailvol.