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**NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
INTERROGATORIES TO THE
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
(NAA/USPS-1-4)
June 21, 2006**

The Newspaper Association of America hereby submits the attached interrogatories to the United States Postal Service and respectfully requests a timely and full response under oath.

Respectfully submitted,

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NAA/USPS-1: Please provide data showing the unit cost of Standard Enhanced Carrier Route mail on an ounce-by-ounce basis, preferably in a format comparable to Library Reference LR-L-139.

NAA/USPS-2: Please provide a summary description of the payment system for rural carriers.

NAA/USPS-3: In an institutional response to VP/USPS-4(f) in Docket No. R2005-1, the Postal Service stated as follows:

The payment system for rural carriers does not determine payments based on differences across mail subclass, or across rate categories within subclass. Therefore, it does not distinguish between High Density and Saturation mailings and Basic mailings within the ECR subclass. Payments per piece vary only according to mail shape, and according to whether the mail piece is delivered or collected, whether the delivered piece is a boxholder or a non-boxholder piece, and whether the delivered piece has postage due.

Is this statement still accurate?

NAA/USPS-4: Are payments to rural carriers affected by the presence of detached address labels in mailings to rural delivery points?