

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 2006

Docket No. R2006-1

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS
MARTIN CZIGLER TO INTERROGATORY OF NATIONAL NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION,
REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS TOM BOZZO
NNA/USPS-T46-19

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response of witness Martin Czigler to the following interrogatory of the National Newspaper Association: NNA/USPS-T46-19, filed on July, 13 2006 and redirected from witness Bozzo.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and followed by the response:

Respectfully submitted,

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NNA/USPS-T46-19. With respect to your response to NNA/USPS-T46-7, you indicate that in the redesigned IOCS, data collectors record that a piece has no indicia in Q23E2 and then record an answer to the “subsequent” question Q23E6, which asks “Is the mailpiece a Periodical, for example a regularly published magazine, newspaper or newsletter?” With respect to Q23E6, please confirm that in the redesigned IOCS for Base Year 2005, the Postal Service recorded 7,541 “Y” tallies in response to this “Periodicals Check” question Q23E6 and that 377 of these 7,541 tallies were later determined not to be Periodicals at all. Please explain fully any answer other than a confirmation.

RESPONSE:

Not confirmed. Please see the revised response to NNA/USPS-T1-20, which discusses how tallies recorded as possible Periodicals can receive International, mixed mail, or cancelled activity codes that override the domestic Periodicals class. 102 of the 377 tallies fall into this category. Some of the remaining 275 tallies may also have been Periodicals, but sufficient information was not available to confirm that as the final coding decision.