

BEFORE THE
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INTERROGATORIES OF DAVID B. POPKIN TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
[DBP/USPS-105-109]

David B. Popkin hereby requests the United States Postal Service to answer, fully and completely, the following interrogatories pursuant to Rules 25 and 26 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. To reduce the volume of paper, I have combined related requests into a single numbered interrogatory; however, I am requesting that a specific response be made to each separate question asked. To the extent that a reference is made in the responses to a Library Reference, I would appreciate receiving a copy of the reference since I am located at a distance from Washington, DC. Any reference to testimony should indicate the page and line numbers. The instructions contained in the interrogatories DFC/USPS-1-18 in Docket C2001-1, dated May 19, 2001, are incorporated herein by reference. In accordance with the provisions of Rule 25[b], I am available for informal discussion to respond to your request to "clarify questions and to identify portions of discovery requests considered overbroad or burdensome."

June 26, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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DBP/USPS-105 [a] With respect to the conversion of the cancellation of letter mail to ink jet sprayed cancellations from the round cancellations, has the conversion been completed at all locations?

[b] If not, please advise the facilities that are still awaiting conversion and the schedule for their implementation.

[c] Please advise those processing facilities, if any, that will not be making the conversion.

DBP/USPS-106 [a] With respect to the ink jet sprayed cancellation of letter mail, please advise if the time is shown as AM or PM or a specific numerical time is shown.

[b] If specific numerical times are shown, please discuss the conditions under which that is implemented.

[c] Are the date and time automatically set from a master clock or must they be manually set by an operator. Please discuss.

[d] May the date and time be set to any date and time that is desired by an operator [i.e. the actual date and time may be manually overridden]? Please discuss.

DBP/USPS-107 [a] With respect to the ink jet sprayed cancellation of letter mail, please discuss why they were implemented.

[b] Please discuss and provide details whether the use of this type of cancellation has or does not have an effect on the processing speed or other mail processing activities.

[c] Please discuss and provide details whether the use of this type of cancellation has or does not have an effect on the costs of mail processing.

DBP/USPS-108 [a] With respect to the ink jet sprayed cancellation of letter mail, please advise why some facilities have 4 wavy cancellation bars and some have 6 wavy cancellation bars.

[b] Please discuss whether there is a plan to convert all of the processing facilities to one or the other or is the choice of 4 or 6 bars up to the individual processing facility?

DBP/USPS-109 With respect to the ink jet sprayed cancellation of letter mail, please advise the reaction of mailers to this type of cancellation and whether there is any discussion to return to the "old style" circular type of cancellation.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the rules of practice.

David B. Popkin June 26, 2006
