

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

EVOLUTIONARY NETWORK DEVELOPMENT
SERVICE CHANGES, 2006

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NOTICE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
REGARDING THE FILING OF NATIVE FORMAT COPY OF SPREADSHEETS
ACCOMPANYING THE RESPONSE OF WITNESS SHAH
TO CONSUMER ADVOCATE INTERROGATORY OCA/USPS-T1-31
(July 17, 2006) [ERRATA]

The United States Postal Service hereby gives notice that it is filing a native format Excel spreadsheet version of the Attachment to the June 30, 2006, response of witness Shah to OCA/USPS-T1-31.

Several of the sample output spreadsheets provided in response to this interrogatory have so many columns that, for hard copy printing purposes, a very small default font is set. This has the benefit of restricting each spreadsheet to a single hard copy page. However legible the spreadsheets may be when viewed electronically in their native format, the small font makes some of them nearly impossible to read in hard copy form. An effort was made to compensate for this on July 12, 2006, by the re-filing of PDF copies of the spreadsheets in a larger font; however, this adversely affected the format of the spreadsheets.

Accordingly, it is best that the spreadsheets be viewed in their native electronic Excel format. To that end, the Postal Service is filing a second revised response to OCA/USPS-T1-31, with a notation that readers view the Excel version of the spreadsheets that accompany the PDF version. Sometimes, the simplest things . . .

Respectfully submitted,

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**RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO INTERROGATORY OF THE OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS SHAH**

Revised: July 17, 2006

OCA/USPS-T1-31. Please refer to OCA/USPS-T1-27. The interrogatory requested a sample copy of the output produced from a run of the END optimization model that led to one of the consolidations in LR-L-N2006-1/5 or 6 or, if not available, a current run with redactions of names and identifying characteristics. The response, "The output was the identification of the opportunity" does not respond to this interrogatory. It is neither a copy of the output nor the alternative, nor does it provide an understanding of the manner in which the output is presented. That is, what is the output (the exact language) that identifies the opportunity. This follow-up interrogatory is to again request a copy of the output of the optimization model in order to determine the extent of the information available to the Postal Service after running this part of the END model.

RESPONSE:

The output was described in USPS-L/R-9, the Technical Conference slides.

Attached is an example of how the optimization output is presented.

[Several of the sample output spreadsheets provided in response to this interrogatory have so many columns that, for hard copy printing purposes, a very small default font is set, in order that the entire spreadsheet can appear on a single page. This makes the hard copy and PDF versions of these spreadsheets nearly impossible to read. Accordingly, the reader will need to examine the native electronic Excel versions that accompany the filing of this response.]

SolutionSummary

| Description | Data |
|---|----------------------------|
| Scenario Name | GeneratedScenario_20050619 |
| Solution Name | solution1 |
| Solver Run Time | 01:28:07 |
| Optimization Gap | 53.91% |
| Run Type | Minimize Cost |
| Profit = Revenue - Cost | XXXX |
| Income recieved by meeting demand | XXXX |
| % of demand satisfied | XXXX |
| Number of Warehouses Picked | XXXX |
| Number of Primary Warehouses Picked | XXXX |
| Number of Warehouses Used | XXXX |
| Number of Pre-Existing Warehouses | XXXX |
| Number of Active Plants | XXXX |
| Number of Pre-Existing Plants | XXXX |
| Number of Plants Picked | XXXX |
| Number of Plants Used | XXXX |
| Number of Active Lines | XXXX |
| Number of Pre-Existing Lines | XXXX |
| Number of Lines Picked | XXXX |
| Number of Lines Used | XXXX |
| Number of Active Customers | XXXX |
| Customers With Demand | XXXX |
| Number of Active Products | XXXX |
| Products With Demand | XXXX |
| Number of Fixed Plants | XXXX |
| Number of Fixed Lines | XXXX |
| Number of Fixed Warehouses | XXXX |
| Number of Potential Plants | XXXX |
| Number of Potential Lines | XXXX |
| Number of Potential Warehouses | XXXX |
| Number of Potential Plants Picked | XXXX |
| Number of Pre-Existing Plants Picked | XXXX |
| Number of Potential Lines Picked | XXXX |
| Number of Pre-Existing Lines Picked | XXXX |
| Number of Potential Warehouses Picked | XXXX |
| Number of Pre-Existing Warehouses Picked | XXXX |
| Number of Secondary Warehouses Picked | XXXX |
| Minimum Warehouses | XXXX |
| Maximum Warehouses | XXXX |
| Minimum Primary Warehouses | XXXX |
| Maximum Primary Warehouses | XXXX |
| Minimum Secondary Warehouses | XXXX |
| Maximum Secondary Warehouses | XXXX |
| Maximum Plants | XXXX |
| Minimum Plants | XXXX |
| Minimum Lines | XXXX |
| Maximum Lines | XXXX |
| Sub-Structure Enhancements Enabled | XXXX |
| Standard Enhancements Enabled | XXXX |
| Weighted Avg Dist from Plant to Plant | XXXX |
| Weighted Avg Dist from Warehouse to Plant | XXXX |
| Weighted Avg Dist from Plant to WH | XXXX |
| Weighted Avg Dist from WH to WH | XXXX |
| Weighted Avg Dist from WH to Cust | XXXX |
| Currency | \$ |
| Model Time | yr |
| Transit Time | wk |
| Units | items |
| Inv Volume | sq ft |
| Trans Volume | sq ft |
| Weight | lbs. |
| Miles or Km | Mile |
| Plant to Plant Shipping Cost | XXX |
| Plant to Warehouse Shipping Cost | XXX |
| Warehouse to Warehouse Shipping Cost | XXX |
| Warehouse to Customer Shipping Cost | XXX |
| Warehouse to Plant Shipping Cost | XXX |
| Warehouse to Plant Var/Hold Cost | XXX |
| Warehouse to Warehouse Var/Hold Cost | XXX |
| Warehouse to Customer Var/Hold Cost | XXX |
| Duty/Tariff Cost | XXX |
| In Transit Holding Cost | XXX |
| Production Cost | XXX |
| Plant Fixed Cost | XXX |
| Warehouse Fixed Cost | XXX |
| TOTAL COST | XXX |

CostSummary

| COST DESCRIPTION | COST |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Plant to Plant Shipping Cost | XXXX |
| Plant to Warehouse Shipping Cost | XXXX |
| Warehouse to Warehouse Shipping Cost | XXXX |
| Warehouse to Customer Shipping Cost | XXXX |
| Warehouse to Plant Shipping Cost | XXXX |
| Warehouse to Plant Var/Hold Cost | XXXX |
| Warehouse to Warehouse Var/Hold Cost | XXXX |
| Warehouse to Customer Var/Hold Cost | XXXX |
| Duty/Tariff Cost | XXXX |
| In Transit Holding Cost | XXXX |
| Production Cost | XXXX |
| Plant Fixed Cost | XXXX |
| Warehouse Fixed Cost | XXXX |
| TOTAL COST | XXXX |

WarehouseSolution

| ID | Warehouse | Status | Type | WH Size | WH Size Used | Units |
|-------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|--------------|-------|
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
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| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 26030 | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | Secondary | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |

PlantSummary

| ID | Plant | Status | Units | Shipping Cost | Production Cost | Fixed Opening Cost | Fixed Operating Cost | Fixed Closing Cost | Hours Used | Available Hours | Percent Hours Used |
|----|---------------------------|-----------|-------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| X | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| X | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| X | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| X | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | Potential | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |

LineSummary

| Plant ID | Plant Name | Line ID | Line Name | Line Status | Units | Shipping Cost | Production Cost | Fixed Opening Cost | Fixed Operating Cost | Fixed Closing Cost | Hours Used | Available Hours | Percent Hours Used |
|----------|---------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| X | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | X | Plant XX-LPC-Regular Capacity | Potential | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| X | LPC Facility-RDC Facility | X | Plant XX-LPC-Feasibility Capacity | Potential | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |

ProductSummary

| ID | Product Name | Production Cost | Units Produced | Plant-Plant Shipping Cost | Plant-Plant In Transit Holding Cost | Plant-WH Shipping Cost | Plant-WH In Transit Holding Cost | WH-Plant Shipping Cost | WH-Plant Var/Hold Cost | WH-Plant In Transit Holding Cost | WH-WH Shipping Cost | WH-WH Var/Hold Cost | WH-WH In Transit Holding Cost | WH-Customer Shipping Cost | WH-Customer Var/Hold Cost | WH-Customer In Transit Holding Cost |
|----|--------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | LPC | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |
| 2 | RDC | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX |

TimePeriodSummary

| Time Period ID | Time Period | Plant to Plant Transportation Cost | Plant to Warehouse Transportation Cost | Warehouse to Plant Transportation Cost | Warehouse to Warehouse Transportation Cost | Warehouse to Customer Transportation Cost | Warehouse to Plant Var/Hold Cost | Warehouse to Warehouse Var/Hold Cost | Warehouse to Customer Var/Hold Cost | Duty Tariff Cost | In Transit Holding Cost | Production Cost | Plant,Line Fixed Cost | Warehouse Fixed Cost | Total Cost | Units Produced | Units Consumed |
|----------------|---------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1 | Entire system | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX |