

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

EVOLUTIONARY NETWORK DEVELOPMENT
SERVICE CHANGES, 2006

Docket No. N2006-1

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO QUESTION 1 OF PRESIDING OFFICER'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 7,
FILED IN RESPONSE TO PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING NO. N2006-1/33
[ERRATA]

The United States Postal Service hereby files this supplemental response to Question 1 of Presiding Officer's Information Request No. 7, in accordance with Presiding Officer's Ruling No. N2006-1/33 (August 31, 2006). This supplemental response supersedes the original response to Question 1 filed on August 21, 2006.

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Question 1

During oral cross examination witness Shah stated that the Postal Service created "a three digit to three digit volume map...for the purposes of this modeling." Tr. 2/241. Commissioner Goldway asked the Postal Service to provide this volume map for both the current network and the future network. Mr. Tidwell said that the Service could provide that information. Tr. 2/313-14. Accordingly, please provide the three-digit to three-digit volume map that was created to reflect the current network and the three-digit to three-digit volume map that has resulted from the latest run of the END models.

RESPONSE

See USPS Library Reference N2006-1/25.

As indicated by witness Shah at Tr. 2/170:

the reason we're not sure or absolutely sure about the number of these local and destinating processing centers is basically because the volume, mail volume and trends, are unknown to use about the future.

For purposes of the END model, the Postal Service does not attempt to estimate or project changes in mail volumes flowing between particular 3-digit ZIP Code pairs. The Postal Service uses current ODIS/RPW data, such as those which were utilized to create USPS Library Reference N2006-1/25, and assumes those data to reflect ZIP-to-ZIP mailflow volumes in the future.