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Docket No. R97-1

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOLLOW-UP INTERROGATORY TO ABA&EEI&NAPM WITNESS CLIFTON (USPS/ABA&EEI&NAPM-T1---1--41)

Pursuant to rules 25 and 26 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure and

rule 2 of the Special Rules of Practice, the United States Postal Service directs

the following follow-up interrogatory to ABA&EEI&NAPM witness Clifton:

USPS/ABA&EEI&NAPM-T1--1-41.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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FOLLOW-UP INTERROGATORY OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO ABA/EEI/NAPM WITNESS CLIFTON

USPS/ABA/EEI/NAPM-T1-41.

Please refer to your response to USPS/ABA/EEI/NAPM-T1-13. In response to a request that you calculate the elasticity shown in your Technical Appendix A.4, using total mail processing labor (direct plus overhead), for the periods FY90 to FY92 and FY 91 to FY 93, you indicated that you were unable to do so because you did not have the necessary data. The necessary data, from the Cost & Revenue Analysis reports for the aforementioned fiscal years, are attached. Please calculate the elasticity shown in your Technical Appendix A.4 for the periods FY 90 to FY 92 and FY 91 to FY 93 using total mail processing labor (direct and overhead).

Attachment to USPS/ABA/EEI/NAPM-T1-41

First-Class Presort Mail Processing Labor Costs FY1990 to FY1993

Fiscal Year	(1) Mail Processing Labor Direct and Overhead Costs (in 000s of \$)	(2) Volumes (in 000s)	(3) Mail Processing Labor Direct and Overhead Costs Per Piece (Cents/Piece)
1990 199 ⁷ 1992 1993	1 1,003,478 2 1,064,887	27,584,597 28,805,316 31,231,742 32,650,138	3.356 3.484 3.410 3.467
Sources:	CRA Segments & Components for FY1990 to FY 1993	CRA for FY1990 to FY 1993	C1/C2

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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.

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