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Re: OUR 04/19 – "2006 Postal Pricing Review – Process and Timetable" Consultation Paper

Dear Sir

Please find below our answers to the six questions posed in the OUR 04/19 document:

Q1: Yes we believe that the process described provides parties with the opportunity to engage fully in the OUR's review of GPL's pricing proposals.

Q2: We can think of no improvements to the process.

Q3: The only additional issue which we can think of is the question of splitting the Bulk Mailers' pricing and the public pricing models so that the Bulk Mailers have a better idea of what they are paying for. Currently it is felt that we are oversubsidising certain areas of GPL's operational flaws.

Q4: As long as the plan includes details of consultancy expenditure and supporting information as to why these are required, and prices broken down into a "costs plus" scale, then the plan should be fine.

Q5: Yes we agree that this range of information would be helpful for the OUR's assessment of GPL's pricing proposals. When will this be required?

Q6: The OUR's draft timetable seems to be fine.

Yours truly,

Garrick Jones