

BANTA Mailbox

Banta Publications Group • Drake Oak Brook Plaza, 2215 York Road, Suite 400, Oak Brook, IL 60523 • Nov/Dec 2005

New postage rates in 2006

The USPS Board of Governors approved the Postal Rate Commission's recommended decision on the postal rate case. Implementation of the new rates has been set for January 8, 2006. The new rates reflect an increase of 5.4% across the board, with a First-class stamp of 39 cents. While the finalized rates are said to be an across the board increase, that is not necessarily true. For example, Periodicals In-county rates actually see a reduction of about 2.3%. Standard non-profit enhanced carrier route increases by approximately 12%, and the balance of Standard non-profit increases by about 3%.

In addition to the domestic rate increases, the USPS

plans to increase international rates at the same time. These increases are generally in the 5.9% range, except for Publishers Periodicals. That class of international mail will increase by a whopping 28.4%! Certain categories, such as Canada, increase by over 35%!

Included in this issue are rate charts for the various classes of mail that reflect the current and new rates. You will note that there is not a rate chart for Periodicals non-profit rates. The rate cells for Periodicals non-profit mail are identical to Periodicals regular rates; the non-profit rate is a 5% reduction of the regular rate non-zoned portion of the postage.

Inside This Issue

PERIODICALS RATE SCHEDULE

Page 2

PACKAGE SERVICES

Page 2

INTERNATIONAL RATES

Page 3

STANDARD REGULAR RATES

Rates effective January 8, 2006

| LETTER RATES For pieces weighing 3.3 ounces or less | CURRENT | NEW | \$ DIFF | % DIFF |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| BASIC NONAUTO | \$0.268 | \$0.282 | \$0.014 | 5.22% |
| 3/5 DIGIT NONAUTO | \$0.248 | \$0.261 | \$0.013 | 5.24% |
| MIXED AADC AUTO | \$0.219 | \$0.231 | \$0.012 | 5.48% |
| AADC AUTO | \$0.212 | \$0.223 | \$0.011 | 5.19% |
| 3 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.203 | \$0.214 | \$0.011 | 5.42% |
| 5 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.190 | \$0.200 | \$0.010 | 5.26% |
| CARRIER ROUTE BASIC | \$0.194 | \$0.204 | \$0.010 | 5.15% |
| CARRIER ROUTE HIGH DENSITY | \$0.164 | \$0.173 | \$0.009 | 5.49% |
| CARRIER ROUTE SATURATION | \$0.152 | \$0.160 | \$0.008 | 5.26% |
| CARRIER ROUTE AUTO BASIC | \$0.171 | \$0.180 | \$0.009 | 5.26% |
| BMC DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.021 | \$0.022 | \$0.001 | 4.76% |
| SCF DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.026 | \$0.027 | \$0.001 | 3.85% |
| DDU DROP SHIP DISCOUNT (CARRIER ROUTE ONLY) | \$0.032 | \$0.033 | \$0.001 | 3.13% |

FLAT RATES

For pieces weighing 3.3 ounces or less

| | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| BASIC NONAUTO | \$0.344 | \$0.363 | \$0.019 | 5.52% |
| 3/5 DIGIT NONAUTO | \$0.288 | \$0.304 | \$0.016 | 5.56% |
| BASIC AUTO | \$0.300 | \$0.316 | \$0.016 | 5.33% |
| 3/5 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.261 | \$0.275 | \$0.014 | 5.36% |
| CARRIER ROUTE BASIC | \$0.194 | \$0.204 | \$0.010 | 5.15% |
| CARRIER ROUTE HIGH DENSITY | \$0.169 | \$0.178 | \$0.009 | 5.33% |
| CARRIER ROUTE SATURATION | \$0.160 | \$0.169 | \$0.009 | 5.63% |
| BMC DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.021 | \$0.022 | \$0.001 | 4.76% |
| SCF DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.026 | \$0.027 | \$0.001 | 3.85% |
| DDU DROP SHIP DISCOUNT (CARRIER ROUTE ONLY) | \$0.032 | \$0.033 | \$0.001 | 3.13% |

For pieces weighing more than 3.3 ounces

PER PIECE RATES:

| | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| BASIC NONAUTO | \$0.198 | \$0.209 | \$0.011 | 5.56% |
| 3/5 DIGIT NONAUTO | \$0.142 | \$0.150 | \$0.008 | 5.63% |
| BASIC AUTO | \$0.154 | \$0.162 | \$0.008 | 5.19% |
| 3/5 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.115 | \$0.121 | \$0.006 | 5.22% |
| CARRIER ROUTE BASIC | \$0.068 | \$0.071 | \$0.003 | 4.41% |
| CARRIER ROUTE HIGH DENSITY | \$0.043 | \$0.045 | \$0.002 | 4.65% |
| CARRIER ROUTE SATURATION | \$0.034 | \$0.036 | \$0.002 | 5.88% |

PER POUND RATES:

| | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| NON CARRIER ROUTE | \$0.708 | \$0.746 | \$0.038 | 5.37% |
| CARRIER ROUTE | \$0.610 | \$0.643 | \$0.033 | 5.41% |
| BMC DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.100 | \$0.105 | \$0.005 | 5.00% |
| SCF DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.125 | \$0.132 | \$0.007 | 5.60% |
| DDU DROP SHIP DISCOUNT (CARRIER ROUTE ONLY) | \$0.157 | \$0.166 | \$0.009 | 5.73% |
| REPOSITIONABLE NOTES | \$0.015 | \$0.015 | \$ - | 0.00% |

STANDARD NONPROFIT RATES

Rates effective January 8, 2006

| LETTER RATES For pieces weighing 3.3 ounces or less | CURRENT | NEW | \$ DIFF | % DIFF |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| BASIC NONAUTO | \$0.165 | \$0.170 | \$0.005 | 3.03% |
| 3/5 DIGIT NONAUTO | \$0.153 | \$0.158 | \$0.005 | 3.27% |
| MIXED AADC AUTO | \$0.144 | \$0.148 | \$0.004 | 2.78% |
| AADC AUTO | \$0.136 | \$0.140 | \$0.004 | 2.94% |
| 3 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.129 | \$0.133 | \$0.004 | 3.10% |
| 5 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.114 | \$0.118 | \$0.004 | 3.51% |
| CARRIER ROUTE BASIC | \$0.126 | \$0.140 | \$0.014 | 11.11% |
| CARRIER ROUTE HIGH DENSITY | \$0.102 | \$0.113 | \$0.011 | 10.78% |
| CARRIER ROUTE SATURATION | \$0.095 | \$0.105 | \$0.010 | 10.53% |
| CARRIER ROUTE AUTO BASIC | \$0.111 | \$0.117 | \$0.006 | 5.41% |
| BMC DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.021 | \$0.022 | \$0.001 | 4.76% |
| SCF DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.026 | \$0.027 | \$0.001 | 3.85% |
| DDU DROP SHIP DISCOUNT (CARRIER ROUTE ONLY) | \$0.032 | \$0.033 | \$0.001 | 3.13% |

FLAT RATES

For pieces weighing 3.3 ounces or less

| | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| BASIC NONAUTO | \$0.230 | \$0.237 | \$0.007 | 3.04% |
| 3/5 DIGIT NONAUTO | \$0.183 | \$0.189 | \$0.006 | 3.28% |
| BASIC AUTO | \$0.189 | \$0.195 | \$0.006 | 3.17% |
| 3/5 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.166 | \$0.171 | \$0.005 | 3.01% |
| CARRIER ROUTE BASIC | \$0.126 | \$0.140 | \$0.014 | 11.11% |
| CARRIER ROUTE HIGH DENSITY | \$0.110 | \$0.122 | \$0.012 | 10.91% |
| CARRIER ROUTE SATURATION | \$0.104 | \$0.116 | \$0.012 | 11.54% |
| BMC DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.021 | \$0.022 | \$0.001 | 4.76% |
| SCF DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.026 | \$0.027 | \$0.001 | 3.85% |
| DDU DROP SHIP DISCOUNT (CARRIER ROUTE ONLY) | \$0.032 | \$0.033 | \$0.001 | 3.13% |

For pieces weighing more than 3.3 ounces

PER PIECE RATES:

| | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| BASIC NONAUTO | \$0.110 | \$0.113 | \$0.003 | 2.73% |
| 3/5 DIGIT NONAUTO | \$0.063 | \$0.065 | \$0.002 | 3.17% |
| BASIC AUTO | \$0.069 | \$0.071 | \$0.002 | 2.90% |
| 3/5 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.046 | \$0.047 | \$0.001 | 2.17% |
| CARRIER ROUTE BASIC | \$0.050 | \$0.055 | \$0.005 | 10.00% |
| CARRIER ROUTE HIGH DENSITY | \$0.034 | \$0.037 | \$0.003 | 8.82% |
| CARRIER ROUTE SATURATION | \$0.028 | \$0.031 | \$0.003 | 10.71% |

PER POUND RATES:

| | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| NON CARRIER ROUTE | \$0.584 | \$0.602 | \$0.018 | 3.08% |
| CARRIER ROUTE | \$0.370 | \$0.411 | \$0.041 | 11.08% |
| BMC DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.100 | \$0.105 | \$0.005 | 5.00% |
| SCF DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.125 | \$0.132 | \$0.007 | 5.60% |
| DDU DROP SHIP DISCOUNT (CARRIER ROUTE ONLY) | \$0.157 | \$0.166 | \$0.009 | 5.73% |
| REPOSITIONABLE NOTES | \$0.015 | \$0.015 | \$ - | 0.00% |

Updates

Banta Publications Group Distribution Contacts

As a customer, you are encouraged to direct all of your communications to your plant Account Manager. However, there may be occasions when you may need to contact someone in the distribution areas directly. To facilitate this, the following is a list of contacts:

Entire Publications Group

Director, Mailing & Distribution Services
 Monica Lundquist
 816-792-6370 Phone
 816-792-3112 Fax
 mlundquist@banta.com

List Services Manager

John Buck
 816-792-6349 Phone
 816-792-3112 Fax
 jbuck@banta.com

Long Prairie, MN plant

Distribution Manager
 Al Lemke
 320-732-7946 Phone
 320-732-7976 Fax
 alemke@banta.com

Distribution Supervisor

Jane Zirbes
 320-732-7969 Phone
 320-732-7976 Fax
 jzirbes@banta.com

Liberty, MO plant

Distribution Manager
 Dirk White
 816-792-6325 Phone
 816-792-2031 Fax
 dwhite@banta.com

Mailing Coordinator

Bobbie Hill
 816-792-5300 ext 6376
 Phone
 816-792-2031 Fax
 bhill@banta.com

Shipping Manager

Steve Bieri
 816-792-6363 Phone
 816-792-6480 Fax
 sbieri@banta.com

Greenfield, OH plant

Distribution Manager
 Don Anglin
 937-981-6367 Phone
 937-981-5032 Fax
 danglin@banta.com

PERIODICALS OUTSIDE COUNTY RATE SCHEDULE

Rates effective January 8, 2006

| ZONE POUND RATES (OUTSIDE COUNTY) | CURRENT | NEW | \$ DIFF | % DIFF |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| DDDU | \$0.158 | \$0.167 | \$0.009 | 5.70% |
| DSCF | \$0.203 | \$0.214 | \$0.011 | 5.42% |
| DADC | \$0.223 | \$0.235 | \$0.012 | 5.38% |
| ZONES 1 & 2 | \$0.248 | \$0.261 | \$0.013 | 5.24% |
| 3 | \$0.267 | \$0.281 | \$0.014 | 5.24% |
| 4 | \$0.315 | \$0.332 | \$0.017 | 5.40% |
| 5 | \$0.389 | \$0.410 | \$0.021 | 5.40% |
| 6 | \$0.466 | \$0.491 | \$0.025 | 5.36% |
| 7 | \$0.559 | \$0.589 | \$0.030 | 5.37% |
| 8 | \$0.638 | \$0.672 | \$0.034 | 5.33% |
| NONADVERTISING | \$0.193 | \$0.203 | \$0.010 | 5.18% |

PIECE RATES (FLATS)

| | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|-------|
| BASIC NONAUTO | \$0.373 | \$0.393 | \$0.020 | 5.36% |
| BASIC AUTO | \$0.325 | \$0.343 | \$0.018 | 5.54% |
| 3 DIGIT NONAUTO | \$0.324 | \$0.341 | \$0.017 | 5.25% |
| 3 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.283 | \$0.298 | \$0.015 | 5.30% |
| 5 DIGIT NONAUTO | \$0.256 | \$0.270 | \$0.014 | 5.47% |
| 5 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.226 | \$0.238 | \$0.012 | 5.31% |
| CR BASIC | \$0.163 | \$0.172 | \$0.009 | 5.52% |
| CR HIGH DENSITY | \$0.131 | \$0.138 | \$0.007 | 5.34% |
| CR SAT | \$0.112 | \$0.118 | \$0.006 | 5.36% |
| EDITORIAL DISCOUNT | \$0.00074 | \$0.00078 | \$0.000 | 5.41% |
| DDU DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.018 | \$0.019 | \$0.001 | 5.56% |
| SCF DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.008 | \$0.008 | \$ - | 0.00% |
| ADC DROP SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.002 | \$0.002 | \$ - | 0.00% |
| DROP SHIP | | | | |
| PALLET DISCOUNT | \$0.015 | \$0.016 | \$0.001 | 6.67% |

ORIGIN ENTRY

| | | | | |
|-----------------|---------|---------|------|-------|
| PALLET DISCOUNT | \$0.005 | \$0.005 | \$ - | 0.00% |
|-----------------|---------|---------|------|-------|

COPALL DISCOUNT

| | | | | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| DSCF | \$0.010 | \$0.011 | \$0.001 | 10.00% |
| DADC | \$0.007 | \$0.007 | \$ - | 0.00% |
| RIDE ALONG RATE | \$0.124 | \$0.131 | \$0.007 | 5.65% |
| REPOSITIONABLE NOTES | \$0.015 | \$0.015 | \$ - | 0.00% |

PERIODICALS IN COUNTY RATE SCHEDULE

Rates effective January 8, 2006

| ZONE POUND RATES (IN COUNTY) | CURRENT | NEW | \$ DIFF | % DIFF |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|-----------|--------|
| DDU | \$0.112 | \$0.109 | \$(0.003) | -2.68% |
| NONE | \$0.146 | \$0.142 | \$(0.004) | -2.74% |

PIECE RATES (FLATS)

| | | | | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|-----------|--------|
| BASIC NONAUTO | \$0.106 | \$0.103 | \$(0.003) | -2.83% |
| BASIC AUTO | \$0.077 | \$0.075 | \$(0.002) | -2.60% |
| 3 DIGIT NONAUTO | \$0.097 | \$0.095 | \$(0.002) | -2.06% |
| 3 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.073 | \$0.071 | \$(0.002) | -2.74% |
| 5 DIGIT NONAUTO | \$0.087 | \$0.085 | \$(0.002) | -2.30% |
| 5 DIGIT AUTO | \$0.067 | \$0.065 | \$(0.002) | -2.99% |
| CR BASIC | \$0.050 | \$0.049 | \$(0.001) | -2.00% |
| CR HIGH DENSITY | \$0.034 | \$0.033 | \$(0.001) | -2.94% |
| CR SAT | \$0.028 | \$0.027 | \$(0.001) | -3.57% |
| DDU DROP | | | | |
| SHIP DISCOUNT | \$0.006 | \$0.006 | \$ - | 0.00% |
| RIDE ALONG RATE | \$0.124 | \$0.131 | \$0.007 | 5.65% |
| REPOSITIONABLE NOTES | \$0.015 | \$0.015 | \$ - | 0.00% |

PACKAGE SERVICES BOUND PRINTED MATTER FLATS

Rates effective January 8, 2006

| FLATS | CURRENT | | NEW | | \$ DIFF | | % DIFF | |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| PRESORTED | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC |
| DDU | \$0.0300 | \$0.5320 | \$0.0320 | \$0.5610 | \$0.002 | \$0.029 | 6.67% | 5.45% |
| DSCF | \$0.0600 | \$0.6030 | \$0.0630 | \$0.6360 | \$0.003 | \$0.033 | 5.00% | 5.47% |
| DBMC ZONES 1 & 2 | \$0.0730 | \$0.8180 | \$0.0770 | \$0.8620 | \$0.004 | \$0.044 | 5.48% | 5.38% |
| ZONE 1 & 2 | \$0.0900 | \$1.0780 | \$0.0950 | \$1.1360 | \$0.005 | \$0.058 | 5.56% | 5.38% |
| DBMC ZONE 3 | \$0.1020 | \$0.8180 | \$0.1080 | \$0.8620 | \$0.006 | \$0.044 | 5.88% | 5.38% |
| ZONE 3 | \$0.1120 | \$1.0780 | \$0.1180 | \$1.1360 | \$0.006 | \$0.058 | 5.36% | 5.38% |
| DBMC ZONE 4 | \$0.1390 | \$0.8180 | \$0.1470 | \$0.8620 | \$0.008 | \$0.044 | 5.76% | 5.38% |
| ZONE 4 | \$0.1490 | \$1.0780 | \$0.1570 | \$1.1360 | \$0.008 | \$0.058 | 5.37% | 5.38% |
| DBMC ZONE 5 | \$0.1870 | \$0.8180 | \$0.1970 | \$0.8620 | \$0.010 | \$0.044 | 5.35% | 5.38% |
| ZONE 5 | \$0.1980 | \$1.0780 | \$0.2090 | \$1.1360 | \$0.011 | \$0.058 | 5.56% | 5.38% |
| ZONE 6 | \$0.2480 | \$1.0780 | \$0.2610 | \$1.1360 | \$0.013 | \$0.058 | 5.24% | 5.38% |
| ZONE 7 | \$0.3080 | \$1.0780 | \$0.3250 | \$1.1360 | \$0.017 | \$0.058 | 5.52% | 5.38% |
| ZONE 8 | \$0.4190 | \$1.0780 | \$0.4420 | \$1.1360 | \$0.023 | \$0.058 | 5.49% | 5.38% |

| CARRIER ROUTE | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| DDU | \$0.0300 | \$0.4320 | \$0.0320 | \$0.4560 | \$0.002 | \$0.024 | 6.67% | 5.56% |
| DSCF | \$0.0600 | \$0.5030 | \$0.0630 | \$0.5310 | \$0.003 | \$0.028 | 5.00% | 5.57% |
| DBMC ZONES 1 & 2 | \$0.0730 | \$0.7180 | \$0.0770 | \$0.7570 | \$0.004 | \$0.039 | 5.48% | 5.43% |
| ZONE 1 & 2 | \$0.0900 | \$0.9780 | \$0.0950 | \$1.0310 | \$0.005 | \$0.053 | 5.56% | 5.42% |
| DBMC ZONE 3 | \$0.1020 | \$0.7180 | \$0.1080 | \$0.7570 | \$0.006 | \$0.039 | 5.88% | 5.43% |
| ZONE 3 | \$0.1120 | \$0.9780 | \$0.1180 | \$1.0310 | \$0.006 | \$0.053 | 5.36% | 5.42% |
| DBMC ZONE 4 | \$0.1390 | \$0.7180 | \$0.1470 | \$0.7570 | \$0.008 | \$0.039 | 5.76% | 5.43% |
| ZONE 4 | \$0.1490 | \$0.9780 | \$0.1570 | \$1.0310 | \$0.008 | \$0.053 | 5.37% | 5.42% |
| DBMC ZONE 5 | \$0.1870 | \$0.7180 | \$0.1970 | \$0.7570 | \$0.010 | \$0.039 | 5.35% | 5.43% |
| ZONE 5 | \$0.1980 | \$0.9780 | \$0.2090 | \$1.0310 | \$0.011 | \$0.053 | 5.56% | 5.42% |
| ZONE 6 | \$0.2480 | \$0.9780 | \$0.2610 | \$1.0310 | \$0.013 | \$0.053 | 5.24% | 5.42% |
| ZONE 7 | \$0.3080 | \$0.9780 | \$0.3250 | \$1.0310 | \$0.017 | \$0.053 | 5.52% | 5.42% |
| ZONE 8 | \$0.4190 | \$0.9780 | \$0.4420 | \$1.0310 | \$0.023 | \$0.053 | 5.49% | 5.42% |

PACKAGE SERVICES BOUND PRINTED MATTER PARCELS

Rates effective January 8, 2006

| PARCELS | CURRENT | | NEW | | \$ DIFF | | % DIFF | |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| PRESORTED | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC |
| DDU | \$0.0300 | \$0.6090 | \$0.0320 | \$0.6420 | \$0.002 | \$0.033 | 6.67% | 5.42% |
| DSCF | \$0.0600 | \$0.6800 | \$0.0630 | \$0.7170 | \$0.003 | \$0.037 | 5.00% | 5.44% |
| DBMC ZONES 1 & 2 | \$0.0730 | \$0.8950 | \$0.0770 | \$0.9430 | \$0.004 | \$0.048 | 5.48% | 5.36% |
| ZONE 1 & 2 | \$0.0900 | \$1.1550 | \$0.0950 | \$1.2170 | \$0.005 | \$0.062 | 5.56% | 5.37% |
| DBMC ZONE 3 | \$0.1020 | \$0.8950 | \$0.1080 | \$0.9430 | \$0.006 | \$0.048 | 5.88% | 5.36% |
| ZONE 3 | \$0.1120 | \$1.1550 | \$0.1180 | \$1.2170 | \$0.006 | \$0.062 | 5.36% | 5.37% |
| DBMC ZONE 4 | \$0.1390 | \$0.8950 | \$0.1470 | \$0.9430 | \$0.008 | \$0.048 | 5.76% | 5.36% |
| ZONE 4 | \$0.1490 | \$1.1550 | \$0.1570 | \$1.2170 | \$0.008 | \$0.062 | 5.37% | 5.37% |
| DBMC ZONE 5 | \$0.1870 | \$0.8950 | \$0.1970 | \$0.9430 | \$0.010 | \$0.048 | 5.35% | 5.36% |
| ZONE 5 | \$0.1980 | \$1.1550 | \$0.2090 | \$1.2170 | \$0.011 | \$0.062 | 5.56% | 5.37% |
| ZONE 6 | \$0.2480 | \$1.1550 | \$0.2610 | \$1.2170 | \$0.013 | \$0.062 | 5.24% | 5.37% |
| ZONE 7 | \$0.3080 | \$1.1550 | \$0.3250 | \$1.2170 | \$0.017 | \$0.062 | 5.52% | 5.37% |
| ZONE 8 | \$0.4190 | \$1.1550 | \$0.4420 | \$1.2170 | \$0.023 | \$0.062 | 5.49% | 5.37% |

| CARRIER ROUTE | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC | PER LB | PER PC |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| DDU | \$0.0300 | \$0.5090 | \$0.0320 | \$0.5370 | \$0.002 | \$0.028 | 6.67% | 5.50% |
| DSCF | \$0.0600 | \$0.5800 | \$0.0630 | \$0.6120 | \$0.003 | \$0.032 | 5.00% | 5.52% |
| DBMC ZONES 1 & 2 | \$0.0730 | \$0.7950 | \$0.0770 | \$0.8380 | \$0.004 | \$0.043 | 5.48% | 5.41% |
| ZONE 1 & 2 | \$0.0900 | \$1.0550 | \$0.0950 | \$1.1120 | \$0.005 | \$0.057 | 5.56% | 5.40% |
| DBMC ZONE 3 | \$0.1020 | \$0.7950 | \$0.1080 | \$0.8380 | \$0.006 | \$0.043 | 5.88% | 5.41% |
| ZONE 3 | \$0.1120 | \$1.0550 | \$0.1180 | \$1.1120 | \$0.006 | \$0.057 | 5.36% | 5.40% |
| DBMC ZONE 4 | \$0.1390 | \$0.7950 | \$0.1470 | \$0.8380 | \$0.008 | \$0.043 | 5.76% | 5.41% |
| ZONE 4 | \$0.1490 | \$1.0550 | \$0.1570 | \$1.1120 | \$0.008 | \$0.057 | 5.37% | 5.40% |
| DBMC ZONE 5 | \$0.1870 | \$0.7950 | \$0.1970 | \$0.8380 | \$0.010 | \$0.043 | 5.35% | 5.41% |
| ZONE 5 | \$0.1980 | \$1.0550 | \$0.2090 | \$1.1120 | \$0.011 | \$0.057 | 5.56% | 5.40% |
| ZONE 6 | \$0.2480 | \$1.0550 | \$0.2610 | \$1.1120 | \$0.013 | \$0.057 | 5.24% | 5.40% |
| ZONE 7 | \$0.3080 | \$1.0550 | \$0.3250 | \$1.1100 | \$0.017 | \$0.055 | 5.52% | 5.21% |
| ZONE 8 | \$0.4190 | \$1.0550 | \$0.4420 | \$1.1120 | \$0.023 | \$0.057 | 5.49% | 5.40% |

Updates

POSTAL FEES-VARIOUS CLASSES

| | Current Fee | New Fee |
|---|--|--|
| Standard and Package Services Permit Application | \$150.00 | \$160.00 |
| Annual bulk mailing fee | \$150.00 | \$160.00 |
| Periodical Original Entry | \$375.00 | \$395.00 |
| Periodical Additional Entry | \$60.00 | \$65.00 |
| Periodical Re-entry (changes in ownership, title, frequency, etc) | \$40.00 | \$45.00 |
| Address Corrections, manual | \$.70 | \$.75 |
| Address Corrections, electronic | \$.20 | \$.21 |
| Business Reply Mail Regular, Basic | \$150.00 Permit fee per year, \$.60 per piece | \$160.00 Permit fee per year, \$.65 per piece |
| Business Reply Mail, Regular, High Volume | \$150.00 annual permit fee, \$475.00 annual accounting fee, \$.10 per piece | \$160.00 annual permit fee, \$500.00 annual accounting fee, \$.11 per piece |
| Qualified Business Reply Mail, Basic | \$150.00 annual permit fee, \$475.00 annual accounting fee, \$.06 per piece | \$160.00 annual permit fee, \$500.00 annual accounting fee, \$.06 per piece |
| Qualified Business Reply Mail, High Volume | \$150.00 annual permit fee, \$475.00 annual accounting fee, \$1800.00 quarterly fee, \$.008 per piece | \$160.00 annual permit fee, \$500.00 annual accounting fee, \$1900.00 quarterly fee, \$.008 per piece |

INTERNATIONAL RATES PUBLISHERS PERIODICALS

Rates Effective January 8, 2006

| Weight not over (ozs) | Group 1 (Canada) | | | | Group 2 (Mexico) | | | | Group 3 | | | | Group 4 | | | | Group 5 | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------|--------|--|------------------|--------|--------|--|---------|--------|--------|--|---------|--------|--------|--|---------|--------|--------|--|
| | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | |
| 1 | \$0.45 | \$0.61 | 35.6% | | \$0.60 | \$0.80 | 33.3% | | \$0.60 | \$0.70 | 16.7% | | \$0.60 | \$0.68 | 13.3% | | \$0.60 | \$0.81 | 35.0% | |
| 2 | \$0.51 | \$0.69 | 35.3% | | \$0.75 | \$1.01 | 34.7% | | \$0.71 | \$0.82 | 15.5% | | \$0.71 | \$0.81 | 14.1% | | \$0.74 | \$1.00 | 35.1% | |
| 3 | \$0.57 | \$0.77 | 35.1% | | \$0.90 | \$1.21 | 34.4% | | \$0.82 | \$0.95 | 15.9% | | \$0.82 | \$0.93 | 13.4% | | \$0.88 | \$1.19 | 35.2% | |
| 4 | \$0.63 | \$0.85 | 34.9% | | \$1.05 | \$1.41 | 34.3% | | \$0.93 | \$1.08 | 16.1% | | \$0.93 | \$1.06 | 14.0% | | \$1.02 | \$1.38 | 35.3% | |
| 5 | \$0.69 | \$0.93 | 34.8% | | \$1.20 | \$1.61 | 34.2% | | \$1.04 | \$1.21 | 16.3% | | \$1.04 | \$1.19 | 14.4% | | \$1.16 | \$1.57 | 35.3% | |
| 6 | \$0.75 | \$1.01 | 34.7% | | \$1.35 | \$1.81 | 34.1% | | \$1.15 | \$1.33 | 15.7% | | \$1.15 | \$1.31 | 13.9% | | \$1.30 | \$1.76 | 35.4% | |
| 7 | \$0.81 | \$1.09 | 34.6% | | \$1.50 | \$2.01 | 34.0% | | \$1.26 | \$1.46 | 15.9% | | \$1.26 | \$1.44 | 14.3% | | \$1.44 | \$1.94 | 34.7% | |
| 8 | \$0.87 | \$1.17 | 34.5% | | \$1.65 | \$2.21 | 33.9% | | \$1.37 | \$1.59 | 16.1% | | \$1.37 | \$1.56 | 13.9% | | \$1.58 | \$2.13 | 34.8% | |
| 12 | \$1.15 | \$1.55 | 34.8% | | \$2.13 | \$2.85 | 33.8% | | \$1.81 | \$2.10 | 16.0% | | \$1.81 | \$2.06 | 13.8% | | \$2.02 | \$2.73 | 35.1% | |
| 16 | \$1.43 | \$1.93 | 35.0% | | \$2.61 | \$3.50 | 34.1% | | \$2.25 | \$2.61 | 16.0% | | \$2.25 | \$2.57 | 14.2% | | \$2.46 | \$3.32 | 35.0% | |
| 20 | \$1.59 | \$2.15 | 35.2% | | \$3.09 | \$4.14 | 34.0% | | \$2.69 | \$3.12 | 16.0% | | \$2.69 | \$3.07 | 14.1% | | \$2.90 | \$3.92 | 35.2% | |
| 24 | \$1.75 | \$2.36 | 34.9% | | \$3.57 | \$4.78 | 33.9% | | \$3.13 | \$3.63 | 16.0% | | \$3.13 | \$3.57 | 14.1% | | \$3.34 | \$4.51 | 35.0% | |
| 28 | \$1.91 | \$2.58 | 35.1% | | \$4.05 | \$5.43 | 34.1% | | \$3.57 | \$4.14 | 16.0% | | \$3.57 | \$4.07 | 14.0% | | \$3.78 | \$5.10 | 34.9% | |
| 32 | \$2.07 | \$2.79 | 34.8% | | \$4.53 | \$6.07 | 34.0% | | \$4.01 | \$4.65 | 16.0% | | \$4.01 | \$4.57 | 14.0% | | \$4.22 | \$5.70 | 35.1% | |
| 36 | \$3.87 | \$5.22 | 34.9% | | \$5.01 | \$6.71 | 33.9% | | \$4.45 | \$5.16 | 16.0% | | \$4.45 | \$5.07 | 13.9% | | \$4.66 | \$6.29 | 35.0% | |
| 40 | \$3.99 | \$5.39 | 35.1% | | \$5.49 | \$7.36 | 34.1% | | \$4.89 | \$5.67 | 16.0% | | \$4.89 | \$5.57 | 13.9% | | \$5.10 | \$6.89 | 35.1% | |
| 44 | \$4.11 | \$5.55 | 35.0% | | \$5.97 | \$8.00 | 34.0% | | \$5.33 | \$6.18 | 15.9% | | \$5.33 | \$6.08 | 14.1% | | \$5.54 | \$7.48 | 35.0% | |
| 48 | \$4.23 | \$5.71 | 35.0% | | \$6.45 | \$8.64 | 34.0% | | \$5.77 | \$6.69 | 15.9% | | \$5.77 | \$6.58 | 14.0% | | \$5.98 | \$8.07 | 34.9% | |
| 52 | \$4.39 | \$5.93 | 35.1% | | \$6.93 | \$9.29 | 34.1% | | \$6.21 | \$7.20 | 15.9% | | \$6.21 | \$7.08 | 14.0% | | \$6.42 | \$8.67 | 35.0% | |
| 56 | \$4.55 | \$6.14 | 34.9% | | \$7.41 | \$9.93 | 34.0% | | \$6.65 | \$7.71 | 15.9% | | \$6.65 | \$7.58 | 14.0% | | \$6.86 | \$9.26 | 35.0% | |

INTERNATIONAL RATES LETTERPOST AIRMAIL

Rates Effective January 8, 2006

| Weight not over (ozs) | Group 1 (Canada) | | | | Group 2 (Mexico) | | | | Group 3 | | | | Group 4 | | | | Group 5 | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|---------|--------|--|------------------|---------|--------|--|---------|---------|--------|--|---------|---------|--------|--|---------|---------|--------|--|
| | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | |
| 1 | \$0.60 | \$0.63 | 5.0% | | \$0.60 | \$0.63 | 5.0% | | \$0.80 | \$0.84 | 5.0% | | \$0.80 | \$0.84 | 5.0% | | \$0.80 | \$0.84 | 5.0% | |
| 2 | \$0.85 | \$0.90 | 5.9% | | \$0.85 | \$0.90 | 5.9% | | \$1.60 | \$1.70 | 6.2% | | \$1.70 | \$1.80 | 5.9% | | \$1.55 | \$1.65 | 6.5% | |
| 3 | \$1.10 | \$1.15 | 4.5% | | \$1.25 | \$1.30 | 4.0% | | \$2.40 | \$2.55 | 6.3% | | \$2.60 | \$2.75 | 5.8% | | \$2.30 | \$2.40 | 4.3% | |
| 4 | \$1.35 | \$1.40 | 3.7% | | \$1.65 | \$1.75 | 6.1% | | \$3.20 | \$3.35 | 4.7% | | \$3.50 | \$3.70 | 5.7% | | \$3.05 | \$3.20 | 4.9% | |
| 5 | \$1.60 | \$1.70 | 6.2% | | \$2.05 | \$2.15 | 4.9% | | \$4.00 | \$4.20 | 5.0% | | \$4.40 | \$4.65 | 5.7% | | \$3.80 | \$4.00 | 5.3% | |
| 6 | \$1.85 | \$1.95 | 5.4% | | \$2.45 | \$2.60 | 6.1% | | \$4.80 | \$5.05 | 5.2% | | \$5.30 | \$5.60 | 5.7% | | \$4.55 | \$4.80 | 5.5% | |
| 7 | \$2.10 | \$2.20 | 4.8% | | \$2.85 | \$3.00 | 5.3% | | \$5.60 | \$5.90 | 5.4% | | \$6.20 | \$6.55 | 5.6% | | \$5.30 | \$5.60 | 5.7% | |
| 8 | \$2.35 | \$2.50 | 6.4% | | \$3.25 | \$3.45 | 6.2% | | \$6.40 | \$6.75 | 5.5% | | \$7.10 | \$7.50 | 5.6% | | \$6.05 | \$6.40 | 5.8% | |
| 12 | \$3.10 | \$3.25 | 4.8% | | \$4.00 | \$4.20 | 5.0% | | \$7.55 | \$7.95 | 5.3% | | \$8.40 | \$8.85 | 5.4% | | \$7.65 | \$8.05 | 5.2% | |
| 16 | \$3.75 | \$3.95 | 5.3% | | \$5.15 | \$5.45 | 5.8% | | \$8.70 | \$9.15 | 5.2% | | \$9.70 | \$10.20 | 5.2% | | \$9.25 | \$9.75 | 5.4% | |
| 20 | \$4.40 | \$4.65 | 5.7% | | \$6.30 | \$6.65 | 5.6% | | \$9.85 | \$10.40 | 5.6% | | \$11.00 | \$11.60 | 5.5% | | \$10.85 | \$11.45 | 5.5% | |
| 24 | \$5.05 | \$5.30 | 5.0% | | \$7.45 | \$7.85 | 5.4% | | \$11.00 | \$11.60 | 5.5% | | \$12.30 | \$12.95 | 5.3% | | \$12.45 | \$13.10 | 5.2% | |
| 28 | \$5.70 | \$6.00 | 5.3% | | \$8.60 | \$9.05 | 5.2% | | \$12.15 | \$12.80 | 5.3% | | \$13.60 | \$14.35 | 5.5% | | \$14.05 | \$14.80 | 5.3% | |
| 32 | \$6.35 | \$6.70 | 5.5% | | \$9.75 | \$10.30 | 5.6% | | \$13.30 | \$14.00 | 5.3% | | \$14.90 | \$15.70 | 5.4% | | \$15.65 | \$16.50 | 5.4% | |
| 36 | \$7.00 | \$7.40 | 5.7% | | \$10.95 | \$11.55 | 5.5% | | \$14.50 | \$15.30 | 5.5% | | \$16.25 | \$17.15 | 5.5% | | \$17.35 | \$18.30 | 5.5% | |
| 40 | \$7.65 | \$8.05 | 5.2% | | \$12.15 | \$12.80 | 5.3% | | \$15.70 | \$16.55 | 5.4% | | \$17.60 | \$18.55 | 5.4% | | \$19.05 | \$20.10 | 5.5% | |
| 44 | \$8.30 | \$8.75 | 5.4% | | \$13.35 | \$14.05 | 5.2% | | \$16.90 | \$17.80 | 5.3% | | \$18.95 | \$19.95 | 5.3% | | \$20.75 | \$21.85 | 5.3% | |
| 48 | \$8.95 | \$9.45 | 5.6% | | \$14.55 | \$15.35 | 5.5% | | \$18.10 | \$19.10 | 5.5% | | \$20.30 | \$21.40 | 5.4% | | \$22.45 | \$23.65 | 5.3% | |
| 52 | \$9.65 | \$10.15 | 5.2% | | \$15.80 | \$16.65 | 5.4% | | \$19.35 | \$20.40 | 5.4% | | \$21.70 | \$22.85 | 5.3% | | \$24.20 | \$25.50 | 5.4% | |
| 56 | \$10.35 | \$10.90 | 5.3% | | \$17.05 | \$17.95 | 5.3% | | \$20.60 | \$21.70 | 5.3% | | \$23.10 | \$24.35 | 5.4% | | \$25.95 | \$27.35 | 5.4% | |

Banta Creative Services

This issue was designed and assembled by Banta Creative Services. If you are currently outsourcing the design of your publication, you might want to investigate Banta's design and assembly capabilities. Banta's creative team has the experience it takes to design outstanding publications from scratch, or work with your existing templates. We can also convert your native layout documents to PDF for streamlined computer-to-plate workflow, as well as provide custom-designed graphics and layouts for your magazine.

For more information, contact Pamela DeWitt at 816-792-6337, or e-mail pdewitt@banta.com.

For additional copies of the Banta Mailbox, contact Michelle Brasic, Database Coordinator at 630-575-2054 or at mbrasic@banta.com

Banta Mailbox is a monthly publication produced by the Banta Publications Group. Any comments or questions are welcome. Please contact Monica Lundquist of the Banta Publications Group by phone at 816-792-6370, by e-mail at mlundquist@banta.com, or write to Banta Publications Group, Mailing & Distribution Services, 3401 Heartland Dr., Liberty, MO 64068-3378.

BANTA Publications Group

Drake Oak Brook Plaza
2215 York Road, Suite 400
Oak Brook, IL 60523

INTERNATIONAL RATES LETTERPOST ECONOMY

Rates Effective January 8, 2006

| Weight not over (ozs) | Group 1 (Canada) | | | Group 2 (Mexico) | | | Group 3 | | | Group 4 | | | Group 5 | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------|--------|------------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF | CURRENT | NEW | % DIFF |
| 1 | \$2.70 | \$2.85 | 5.6% | \$4.35 | \$5.15 | 18.4% | \$3.80 | \$4.10 | 7.9% | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$4.95 | \$6.00 | 21.2% |
| 2 | \$2.70 | \$2.85 | 5.6% | \$4.35 | \$5.15 | 18.4% | \$3.80 | \$4.10 | 7.9% | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$4.95 | \$6.00 | 21.2% |
| 3 | \$2.70 | \$2.85 | 5.6% | \$4.35 | \$5.15 | 18.4% | \$3.80 | \$4.10 | 7.9% | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$4.95 | \$6.00 | 21.2% |
| 4 | \$2.70 | \$2.85 | 5.6% | \$4.35 | \$5.15 | 18.4% | \$3.80 | \$4.10 | 7.9% | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$4.95 | \$6.00 | 21.2% |
| 5 | \$2.70 | \$2.85 | 5.6% | \$4.35 | \$5.15 | 18.4% | \$3.80 | \$4.10 | 7.9% | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$4.95 | \$6.00 | 21.2% |
| 6 | \$2.70 | \$2.85 | 5.6% | \$4.35 | \$5.15 | 18.4% | \$3.80 | \$4.10 | 7.9% | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$4.95 | \$6.00 | 21.2% |
| 7 | \$2.70 | \$2.85 | 5.6% | \$4.35 | \$5.15 | 18.4% | \$3.80 | \$4.10 | 7.9% | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$4.95 | \$6.00 | 21.2% |
| 8 | \$2.70 | \$2.85 | 5.6% | \$4.35 | \$5.15 | 18.4% | \$3.80 | \$4.10 | 7.9% | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$4.95 | \$6.00 | 21.2% |
| 12 | \$2.70 | \$2.85 | 5.6% | \$4.35 | \$5.15 | 18.4% | \$3.80 | \$4.10 | 7.9% | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$4.95 | \$6.00 | 21.2% |
| 16 | \$2.70 | \$2.85 | 5.6% | \$4.35 | \$5.15 | 18.4% | \$3.80 | \$4.10 | 7.9% | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$4.95 | \$6.00 | 21.2% |
| 20 | \$4.05 | \$4.25 | 4.9% | \$5.15 | \$6.10 | 18.4% | \$4.45 | \$4.85 | 9.0% | \$4.70 | \$4.95 | 5.3% | \$5.70 | \$6.90 | 21.1% |
| 24 | \$4.55 | \$4.80 | 5.5% | \$5.95 | \$7.00 | 17.6% | \$5.10 | \$5.55 | 8.8% | \$5.35 | \$5.65 | 5.6% | \$6.50 | \$7.85 | 20.8% |
| 28 | \$5.05 | \$5.30 | 5.0% | \$6.70 | \$7.90 | 17.9% | \$5.70 | \$6.20 | 8.8% | \$6.00 | \$6.30 | 5.0% | \$7.30 | \$8.85 | 21.2% |
| 32 | \$5.60 | \$5.90 | 5.4% | \$7.50 | \$8.85 | 18.0% | \$6.30 | \$6.85 | 8.7% | \$6.65 | \$7.00 | 5.3% | \$8.10 | \$9.80 | 21.0% |
| 36 | \$6.00 | \$6.30 | 5.0% | \$8.15 | \$9.60 | 17.8% | \$6.90 | \$7.50 | 8.7% | \$7.25 | \$7.65 | 5.5% | \$8.75 | \$10.60 | 21.1% |
| 40 | \$6.40 | \$6.75 | 5.5% | \$8.80 | \$10.40 | 18.2% | \$7.50 | \$8.15 | 8.7% | \$7.85 | \$8.25 | 5.1% | \$9.40 | \$11.35 | 20.7% |
| 44 | \$6.80 | \$7.15 | 5.1% | \$9.45 | \$11.15 | 18.0% | \$8.10 | \$8.80 | 8.6% | \$8.45 | \$8.90 | 5.3% | \$10.05 | \$12.15 | 20.9% |
| 48 | \$7.20 | \$7.60 | 5.6% | \$10.10 | \$11.90 | 17.8% | \$8.70 | \$9.45 | 8.6% | \$9.05 | \$9.55 | 5.5% | \$10.70 | \$12.95 | 21.0% |
| 52 | \$7.60 | \$8.00 | 5.3% | \$10.75 | \$12.70 | 18.1% | \$9.30 | \$10.10 | 8.6% | \$9.65 | \$10.15 | 5.2% | \$11.35 | \$13.75 | 21.1% |
| 56 | \$8.00 | \$8.45 | 5.6% | \$11.40 | \$13.45 | 18.0% | \$9.90 | \$10.75 | 8.6% | \$10.25 | \$10.80 | 5.4% | \$12.00 | \$14.50 | 20.8% |

Online Information

More information on
Banta Corporation
is available through
the company's
Web site at
www.banta.com

This piece was printed
by Banta Print Services. For
more information about
Banta's Print Services, con-
tact Patrick J. Aho, Banta
Print Services Manager,
320-732-7907, or send an
e-mail to paho@banta.com.
To order reprints Online,
visit our Web site at
www.BantaReprints.com.

Mailbox Goes All-Digital!

Starting in January 2006 The Banta Mailbox will be all-digital. The new electronic-only format will contain the same useful information as always, but now conveniently delivered right to your computer.

The new electronic format offers helpful links so you can access even more information about topics that affect you. The electronic version also enables a faster delivery of pertinent information.

Effective with the January 2006 issue, you will no longer receive a printed version and will need to register to receive the new digital version. To insure timely delivery of The Banta Mailbox, please log on to <http://mailbox.bantapubnet.com> to register your subscription to the newsletter.