Postal Rates
May 15, 1961

Dear:

The proposal of the incumbent Postmaster General to raise postal rates is in substantial accord with similar proposals made by the Eisenhower Administration and hearings are now being held by the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee on these measures.

I am certain there will be hearings by the Senate Committee also but at the moment there is no indication of what the committee will report.

It must be remembered that the postal deficit is a whopping one and must be taxed against the general revenues of the Federal Government. It is to secure relief from this that the Administration is seeking additional postal revenues and I shall give the matter good attention.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen