



IN THE COMPETITION
APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Case No: 1639/7/7/24

BETWEEN:

BULK MAIL CLAIM LIMITED

Class Representative

- v -

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION SERVICES LIMITED
(formerly ROYAL MAIL PLC)

Defendant

ORDER

UPON the letter from the Defendant's solicitors dated 24 July 2026 filing an application by the Defendant for the decertification of the Proceedings pursuant to rule 85(1) of the Competition Appeal Tribunal Rules 2015, together with its enclosures (the **Decertification Application**)

AND UPON the letter from the Class Representative's solicitors dated 3 August 2026 regarding the Decertification Application

AND UPON the Tribunal having listed a hearing for the Decertification Application to commence on 15 December 2026 with a time estimate of one day with an additional day held in reserve (the **Decertification Hearing**)

AND UPON the letter from the Defendant's solicitors dated 16 October 2026 filing a composite draft order for the Tribunal's consideration (the **Draft Order**)

AND UPON the short observations filed by both the Defendant's solicitors and the Class Representative's solicitors dated 16 October 2026 in respect of their respective drafting as regards the Draft Order

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

A. RESPONSE AND REPLY TO THE DECERTIFICATION APPLICATION

1. By 4pm on 4 November 2026, the Class Representative shall, if so advised, file and serve any responsive evidence to the Defendant's Decertification Application.
2. By 4pm on 27 November 2026, the Defendant shall, if so advised, file and serve any reply to the Class Representative's responsive evidence filed and served in accordance with paragraph 1 above.

B. SKELETON ARGUMENTS AND BUNDLES

3. By 4pm on 8 December 2026, the parties shall file and serve electronically their respective skeleton arguments for the Decertification Hearing.
4. By 4pm on 9 December 2026:
 - (a) The Defendant shall file electronically and lodge two sets of hard copies of the following in respect of the Decertification Application:
 - (i) the application bundle; and
 - (ii) the application authorities bundle.
5. By 4pm on 10 December 2026, the parties shall file electronically and lodge two sets of the skeleton arguments filed and served pursuant to paragraph 3 fully cross referenced to the bundles.

C. OTHER

6. Costs in the application.
7. The parties have liberty to apply.

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Chair of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 27 October 2026

Drawn: 27 October 2026