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Library of Congress – Copyright Office
Washington DC

To Whom I t May Concern;

Regarding your request for feedback for the proposed changes to Changes for Recordation Practices, I have a question. Would the option to request return receipts that acknowledge that the Office has received a submission be applicable only to deposit copies in electronic format?

I most often submit registrations for National Geographic magazines, books and TV films using the eCO method, but also supply hard copies of the materials to be registered to your off-site mailing center in Capitol Heights, MD. For years I have accompanied the deposit copies with a letter listing each work, the claimant and the fee that has been paid electronically. I always request that a copy of this letter be signed and returned to me by the receiver of the deposit copies at the LOC. I also include a stamped self-addressed envelope to have the copy sent to me.

Might I be able to streamline this procedure with the institution of the rules that are presently proposed? Thank you.

Sincerely, James W. Thomas – Copyright Specialist, National Geographic Society