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In the May 2022 issue of *The Philatelikid*, we began brief descriptions of various “Back of the Book” (“BOB”) listings in the Scott Catalogues. In subsequent issues we looked at stamps which begin with the letter “B,” “C,” “CE,” “CL,” “CM,” “CB,” “CO,” “E,” “D,” “F,” “FA,” “J,” “K,” “L,” “LO,” “O,” “PR,” “PN,” “PS,” “WS,” “BK,” “Q,” “JQ,” “QE,” “CVP,” “WX,” “QI,” “#X,” “REA,” “RV,” “RY,” “-P” and “UX.” This month we will look at “SPCVP.”

Stamps Beginning with the prefix “SPCVP”

Stamps in the Scott Catalogue with the prefix “SPCVP” are not stamps at all. They are Souvenir Pages of Computer Vended Postage cancelled First Day of Issue, sold by the USPS to collectors. There are only three items in this category listed by Scott Catalogue. Each is valued at less than \$6. This makes this category an easy one to have a complete set for less than \$15. Each page is 8 inches wide by 10 ½ inches high and contains a FDOI cancelled strip of 3 of a vending machine coil stamp issued by a vending machine.

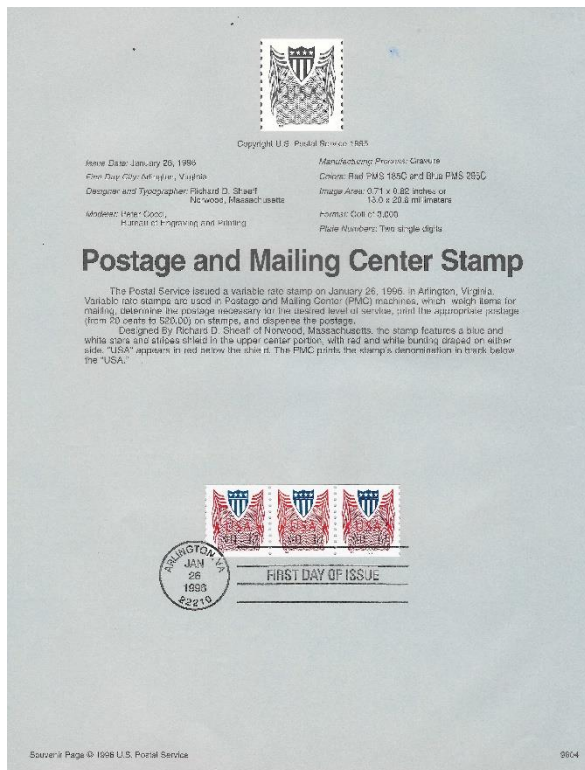
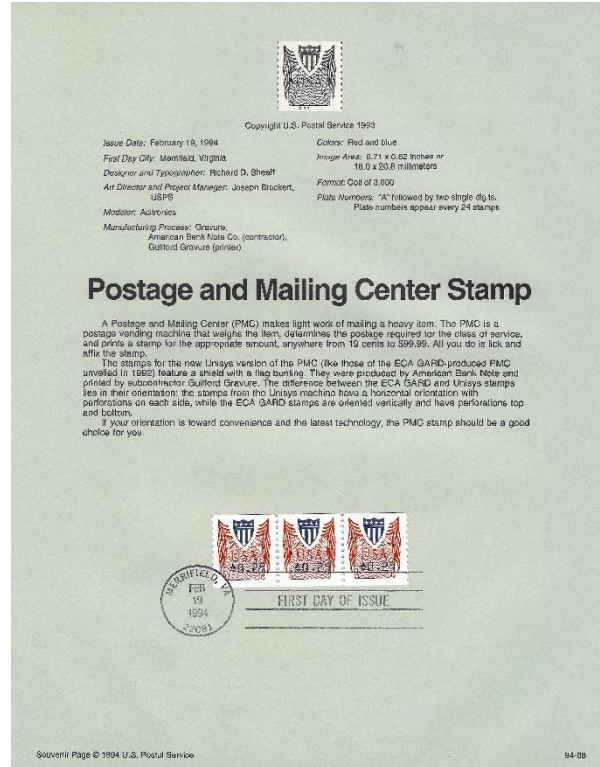
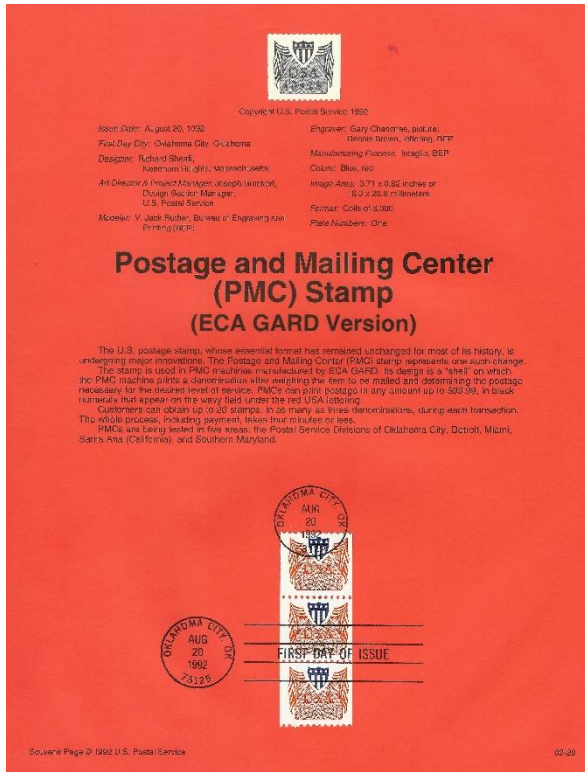
SPCVP1 features a horizontal strip of 3 coil stamps denominated at 29¢ each, issued on August 20, 1992 with a FDOI cancel at Oklahoma City, OK. The denomination is not as dark as the others, and is difficult to see on the scan below. It is **bright red** paper. The stamps were sold in machines made by ECA GARD Company. The stamps do not have a dollar sign (\$) or a cents sign (¢) but instead have an asterisk (*) before the denomination. Note that the decimal point is located at mid-height. The souvenir page features an image of the stamp at the top, not an actual stamp, in black and white. The stamps were manufactured by Intaglio (engraving) by the US Bureau of engraving and Printing (BEP). Every 24th stamp features a plate number “1”.

SPCVP2 features a vertical strip of 3 coil stamps denominated at \$0.29 each, issued on February 19, 1994 with a FDOI cancel at Merrifield, VA. It is on **light green** paper. The stamps were sold in machines made by Unisys. Note that the decimal point is located at bottom. The souvenir page features an image of the stamp at the top, not an actual stamp, in black and white showing at the bottom of the image a plate number “A11”. The stamps were manufactured by Gravure by the American Bank Note Company. Every 24th stamp has a plate number, which is the letter “A” followed by two “1’s” – one in blue and one in red.

SPCVP3 features a horizontal strip of 3 coil stamps denominated at \$0.32 each, issued on January 26, 1996 with a FDOI cancel at Arlington, VA. It is on **light gray** paper. The SPCVP3 illustrated here has a plate number on the third stamp on the right. It is located

at the bottom of the stamp, just below the period in \$0.32. The souvenir page features an image of the stamp at the top, not an actual stamp, in black and white. The stamps were

manufactured by Gravure. Every 24th stamp has a plate number "11" with one in red and the other in blue. This stamp differs from the other two in minor ways, but the easiest to see it that it has the date "1996" in red at the lower left of the stamp. That date is tiny and might not be visible in the scan shown below.



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