

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Dan G. Blair, Chairman;
Nanci E. Langley, Vice Chairman;
Mark Acton;
Ruth Y. Goldway; and
Tony L. Hammond

Competitive Product Prices
Inbound Express Mail International (EMS)
Originating from Foreign Posts

Docket No. MC2009-10

Docket No. CP2009-12

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1
AND NOTICE OF FILING OF QUESTIONS
UNDER SEAL

(Issued December 8, 2008)

Pursuant to 39 C.F.R. § 3015.6, the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following questions. To assist in the completion of the record, the answers are to be provided as soon as possible, but no later than December 12, 2008.

1. Please see Attachment A, filed under seal.
2. The Postal Service has filed with the Commission the 2008 EMS Pay-for-Performance Plan of the EMS Cooperative. Will this same plan be in effect for 2009? Will there be any changes to the penalty provisions?
3. In the Excel file, EMS Cost Coverage 20081118.xls, worksheet tab 03_Lists, the Postal Service identifies EMS Cooperative members participating in the Pay-for-Performance Plan. Worksheet tab 03_Lists identifies 44 countries/territories participating in EMS pay-for-performance. In its July 23, 2008, filing under seal, the Postal Service submitted correspondence with 32 countries/territories confirming implementation of pay-for-performance. Please confirm that the Postal Service is applying the pay-for-performance

penalties and thresholds with each of the 44 countries/territories listed in EMS Cost Coverage 20081118.xls, worksheet tab 03_Lists, and provide any correspondence confirming implementation of pay-for-performance that has been exchanged since the Postal Service's July 23, 2008, filing.

4. Is the Postal Service expected to apply the Pay-for-Performance Plan with any EMS Cooperative members in 2009 in addition to those listed in EMS Cost Coverage 20081118.xls, worksheet tab 03_Lists? If so, please identify these members and when the plan is expected to become effective.
5. Is there a deadline for all EMS Cooperative members to apply the Pay-for-Performance Plan and, if so, when is that deadline?
6. Please confirm that members of the E-Parcels Group (EPG) will apply the appropriate rates in this filing and not the rates indicated in the bilateral letters filed with the Commission on July 23, 2008.

Dan G. Blair
Chairman

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Attachment A to Chairman's Information Request No.1
Contains Confidential Information