

ORDER NO. 4285

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

Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Chairman;
Mark Acton, Vice Chairman;
Tony Hammond; and
Nanci E. Langley

Market Dominant Product Prices
Inbound Market Dominant Multi-Service Agreements
with Foreign Postal Operators 1

Docket No. R2018-2

Canada Post Corporation - United States Postal Service
Bilateral Agreement (MC2010-35)
Negotiated Service Agreement

ORDER ACKNOWLEDGING MODIFICATION ONE TO AN INBOUND MARKET
DOMINANT MULTI-SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH FOREIGN POSTAL
OPERATORS 1 NEGOTIATED SERVICE AGREEMENT

(Issued December 18, 2017)

I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. § 407(d)(2), the Postal Service filed notice that it and the Canada Post Corporation (Canada Post) signed a modification to the forthcoming

bilateral negotiated service agreement between the postal operators (Agreement).¹ For the reasons discussed below, the Commission acknowledges Modification One.

II. BACKGROUND

In Order No. 4263, the Commission added the market dominant inbound portions of the Agreement to the Mail Classification Schedule under the Inbound Market Dominant Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators 1 product.² On December 15, 2017, the Postal Service filed notice that it and Canada Post executed Modification One to the Agreement. The Postal Service states that Modification One adds certain competitive inbound and outbound Express Mail Services (EMS) mail streams to the Agreement. Notice at 1; see Modification One at 1. Because Modification One concerns competitive products, the Postal Service states that changes in Modification One are irrelevant to the Commission's analysis of the market dominant portions of the Agreement. Notice at 1.

The Postal Service states that Modification One is scheduled to go into effect on January 1, 2018, when the Agreement goes into effect. *Id.*; Modification One at 2.

III. COMMISSION ANALYSIS

The Commission has reviewed the Notice and Modification One. Modification One adds certain competitive inbound and outbound EMS mail streams to the Agreement. Notice at 1; see Modification One at 1. Because Modification One relates to the competitive portions of the Agreement, the Commission concludes that revised market dominant financial workpapers are not necessary. The Commission acknowledges the revisions made to the Agreement pursuant to Modification One.

¹ Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing Modification to an Inbound Market Dominant Multi-Service Agreements with Foreign Postal Operators 1 Negotiated Service Agreement, December 15, 2017, at 1 (Notice). Modification One is an attachment to the Notice (Modification One).

² See *generally* Order Approving Inbound Market Dominant Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators 1 Negotiated Service Agreement (with Canada Post Corporation), December 4, 2017 (Order No. 4263).

It is ordered:

The Commission acknowledges the revisions made to the Agreement pursuant to Modification One.

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble
Secretary