

Before the  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

NOTICE OF A PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION TO UNSEAL THE MATERIAL  
FILED IN RESPONSE TO CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1,  
QUESTION 1

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Docket No. ACR 2017

COMMENTS OF US CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Pursuant to the Commission's Order No. 4377 (January 17, 2018), the U.S. Chamber of Commerce (Chamber) — the world's largest business federation representing the interests of more than three million businesses of all sizes, sectors, and regions, as well as state and local chambers and industry associations — respectfully submits the following comments in support of the Postal Regulatory Commission's decision to unseal aggregate data for Inbound Letter Post.

Previously, as part of a different proceeding, the Chamber asked the Commission to unseal, by Universal Postal Union (UPU) country group and shape, the (1) weight, (2) volume, and (3) projected revenue data relating to the proposed rates for Inbound Letter Post for 2018.<sup>1</sup> The Commission is now proposing to unseal the revenue data for Inbound Letter Post, by UPU country group and shape, for 2017. The Chamber supports this decision and agrees with the Commission that because the data is aggregated any sensitivity surrounding the data has been sufficiently mitigated.

However, in addition, the volume, cost, and weight data by UPU country group and

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<sup>1</sup> Docket No. R2018-1, Notice of Market Dominant Price Adjustment, "US Chamber of Commerce Motion for Leave to Comment on the Postal Service's Answer to Chairman's Information Request No. 6" at 1-2 & n.2 (Nov. 1, 2017).

shape should also be unsealed, so that the public can better understand the degree to which Inbound Letter Post rates are consistent with U.S. law. These data are essentially the same data that are publicly provided for other market dominant products in Annual Compliance Report proceedings. Should the Commission release the data for each UPU country group, the data should be split into items subject to kg-item and kg-only rates.

In the future, the Chamber suggests the Commission request the Postal Service produce and file publically Inbound Letter Post the foregoing data by country group and shape.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Heather', written over a horizontal line.

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