

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

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail
Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail Contract 78

Docket No. MC2019-48

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail Contract 78
(MC2019-48)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2019-52

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS ON
POSTAL SERVICE REQUEST TO ADD
PRIORITY MAIL EXPRESS & PRIORITY MAIL CONTRACT 78 TO THE
COMPETITIVE PRODUCT LIST

(December 20, 2018)

The Public Representative hereby provides comments pursuant to an initiating notice by the Commission.¹ In that Notice, the Commission established the above referenced docket to receive comments from interested persons, including the undersigned Public Representative, on a Postal Service request to add Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail Contract 78 to the competitive product list.² The Postal Service's Request includes a Statement of Supporting Justification, a certification of compliance with 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a), and a copy of Governor's Decision No. 18-2. It also filed a contract (under seal) related to the proposed new product, and supporting financial data.

According to the Postal Service, Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail Contract 78 is a competitive product "not of general applicability" within the meaning of 39 U.S.C. § 3632(b)(3). *Request* at 1. The Postal Service also maintains that the prices and classification underlying the instant contract are justified by Governors' Decision No. 18-

¹ Notice Initiating Docket(s) for Recent Postal Service Negotiated Service Agreement Filings, December 17, 2018 (Notice).

² USPS Request to Add Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail Contract 78 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing (Under Seal), December 14, 2018 (Request).

2. The Postal Service further asserts that the Statement of Supporting Justification provides support for adding Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail Contract 78 to the competitive product list and the compliance of the contract with 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a). See *Attachment D*.

The Public Representative has reviewed the instant contract, the Statement of Supporting Justification, and the financial data and model filed under seal that accompanies the Postal Service's Request. Based upon that review, the Public Representative concludes that Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail Contract 78 should be categorized as a competitive product and added to the competitive product list.

The Public Representative respectfully submits the foregoing comments for the Commission's consideration.

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