

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Competitive Product Prices  
Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreements with  
Foreign Postal Operators  
Interconnect Remuneration Agreement –  
United States Postal Service and  
Specified Postal Operators (MC2010-34)  
Negotiated Service Agreements

Docket No. CP2020-141

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

(Issued May 27, 2020)

To clarify the Postal Service's Notice of filing a functionally equivalent Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators,<sup>1</sup> the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following questions. The answers should be provided no later than June 3, 2020.

1. Please refer to the Presidential Memorandum "Modernizing the Monetary Reimbursement Model for the Delivery of Goods Through the International Postal System and Enhancing the Security and Safety of International Mail."<sup>2</sup> The Presidential Memorandum states that the policy of the executive branch shall be, *inter alia*, to support efforts that further "setting rates charged for delivery of foreign-origin mail in a manner that does not favor postal operators over non-

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<sup>1</sup> Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing Functionally Equivalent Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators, May 15, 2020 (Notice).

<sup>2</sup> Presidential Memorandum for the Secretary of State, Secretary of the Treasury, Secretary of Homeland Security, Postmaster General, and Chairman of the Postal Regulatory Commission, August 23, 2018, available at: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/presidential-memorandum-secretary-state-secretary-treasury-secretary-homeland-security-postmaster-general-chairman-postal-regulatory-commission/> (Presidential Memorandum).

postal operators.”<sup>3</sup> The Interconnect Remuneration Agreement USPS and Specified Postal Operators limits potential parties to the contract to designated operators, as defined by the Universal Postal Union.<sup>4</sup> Notice, Attachment 2 at 1. Please explain how this limitation achieves the objectives of the Presidential Memorandum.

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By the Chairman.

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<sup>3</sup> Presidential Memorandum Sec. 2(d)(ii).

<sup>4</sup> See Universal Postal Convention, Article 1.12, available at: [http://www.upu.int/uploads/tx\\_sbdownloader/actInThreeVolumesManualOfConventionEn.pdf](http://www.upu.int/uploads/tx_sbdownloader/actInThreeVolumesManualOfConventionEn.pdf).