

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

Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Chairman;  
Michael Kubayanda, Vice Chairman;  
Mark Acton;  
Ann C. Fisher; and  
Ashley E. Poling

Competitive International Products Price Changes  
Rates of General Applicability

Docket No. CP2021-15

NOTICE AND ORDER CONCERNING CHANGES IN RATES OF GENERAL  
APPLICABILITY FOR COMPETITIVE INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTS

(Issued October 13, 2020)

I. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

On October 9, 2020, the Postal Service filed notice with the Commission concerning changes in rates of general applicability for competitive international products.<sup>1</sup> The Postal Service represents that, as required by 39 CFR 3035.102(b), the Notice includes an explanation and justification for the changes, the effective date, and a schedule of the changed rates. See Notice at 1. The changes are scheduled to take effect on January 24, 2021. *Id.*

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<sup>1</sup> United States Postal Service Notice of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive International Products, October 9, 2020 (Notice). Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(2), the Postal Service is obligated to publish the Governors' Decision and record of proceedings in the *Federal Register* at least 30 days before the effective date of the new rates.

Attached to the Notice is Governors' Decision No. 20-4, which states the new prices are in accordance with 39 U.S.C. 3632 and 3633 and 39 CFR 3035.102.<sup>2</sup> The Governors' Decision provides an analysis of the competitive products' price changes intended to demonstrate that the changes comply with 39 U.S.C. 3633 and 39 CFR part 3035. Governors' Decision No. 20-4 at 1. The attachment to the Governors' Decision sets forth the price changes and includes draft Mail Classification Schedule (MCS) language for competitive products of general applicability.

The Governors' Decision includes two additional attachments:

- A partially redacted table showing FY 2021 projected volumes, revenues, attributable costs, contribution, and cost coverage for each product, assuming implementation of the new prices on January 24, 2021.
- A partially redacted table showing FY 2021 projected volumes, revenues, attributable costs, contribution, and cost coverage for each product, assuming a hypothetical implementation of the new prices on October 1, 2020.

The Notice also includes an application for non-public treatment of the attributable costs, contribution, and cost coverage data in the unredacted version of the annex to the Governors' Decision, as well as the supporting materials for the data. Notice at 1-2.

*Planned price adjustments.* The Governors' Decision includes an overview of the Postal Service's planned price changes, which is summarized in the table below.

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<sup>2</sup> Notice, Decision of the Governors of the United States Postal Service on Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive International Products (Governors' Decision No. 20-4), at 1 (Governors' Decision No. 20-4).

**Table I-1  
Proposed Price Changes**

<b>Product Name</b>	<b>Average Price Increase (percent)</b>
<b>International Competitive Products</b>	
Global Express Guaranteed	0.9
Priority Mail Express International	3.6
Priority Mail International	5.1
International Priority Airmail	74.1
International Surface Air Lift	32.6
Airmail M-Bags	5.0
First-Class Package International Service	4.8
<b>International Ancillary Services and Special Services</b>	
International Ancillary Services	3.4

Source: See Governors' Decision No. 20-4 at 2-3 (showing percentage increases for international products).

## II. INITIAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

The Commission establishes Docket No. CP2021-15 to consider the Postal Service's Notice. Interested persons may express views and offer comments on whether the planned changes are consistent with 39 U.S.C. 3632, 3633, and 3642, 39 CFR part 3035, and 39 CFR 3040 subparts B and E. Comments are due no later than October 27, 2020. For specific details of the planned price changes, interested persons are encouraged to review the Notice, which is available on the Commission's website at [www.prc.gov](http://www.prc.gov).

Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Katalin K. Clendenin is appointed to serve as Public Representative to represent the interests of the general public in this docket.

## III. ORDERING PARAGRAPHS

*It is ordered:*

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. CP2021-15 to provide interested persons an opportunity to express views and offer comments on whether the planned changes are consistent with 39 U.S.C. 3632, 3633, and 3642, 39 CFR part 3035, and 39 CFR 3040 subparts B and E.

2. Comments are due no later than October 27, 2020.
3. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, the Commission appoints Katalin K. Clendenin to serve as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this docket.
4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this Order in the *Federal Register*.

By the Commission.

Erica A. Barker  
Secretary