

November 19, 2020

Honorable Erica Barker
Secretary
Postal Regulatory Commission
901 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 200
Washington, DC 20268-0001

Dear Ms. Barker:

Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. § 407(d)(2), the United States Postal Service (Postal Service) files as Enclosure 1 to this letter a redacted copy of a bilateral agreement entered into between the Postal Service and a foreign postal operator (Agreement).¹ The Postal Service has marked the nonpublic, unredacted version of this Agreement as “Confidential” and “Non-Public” and has filed it under seal because it contains information considered confidential and commercially sensitive by the affected postal operator and the Postal Service.

The Postal Service considers certain portions of the Agreement filed in this matter to be protected by 39 U.S.C. § 410(c)(2) and thereby not subject to mandatory disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Further, the Agreement contains the commercial information of the Postal Service and the affected postal operator, and, as such, certain portions of the Agreement are subject to protection under Exemptions 3 and 4 of FOIA. Consequently, the Postal Service requests that the redacted portions of the Agreement remain confidential and incorporates by reference the Application for Non-Public Treatment filed with the Postal Service’s initial Notice in Docket No. CP2020-141.² In addition, the Postal Service respectfully requests that the Commission coordinate with the Postal Service in the event that this Agreement becomes the subject of a FOIA request, so that we can engage in appropriate consultations with the affected postal operator.

¹ This refers to the Interconnect Remuneration Agreement USPS and Specified Postal Operators” (referred to as the “IRA-USPS Agreement”) between the Postal Service and various foreign postal operators that the Postal Service filed with the Postal Regulatory Commission on May 15, 2020 in Docket No. CP2020-141. See Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing Functionally Equivalent Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators, Docket No. CP2020-141, May 15, 2020 (Notice); Notice, at Attachment 2 (IRA-USPS Agreement).

² Notice, at Attachment 1 (Application of United Postal Service for Non-Public Treatment of Materials).

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Enclosure

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Dear all:

The following is confirmed and agreed [REDACTED];

Both parties confirm that they will commence exchanging [REDACTED],
as per the IRA signed between the parties, on the 1st July 2020.

USPS confirms that it will commence sending [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] as per the IRA signed between the parties, and that
[REDACTED]

It is agreed that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] as per the IRA signed between the parties,
[REDACTED]

Best regards,

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