

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

Before Commissioners:

Dan G. Blair, Chairman;
Nanci E. Langley, Vice Chairman;
Mark Acton;
Ruth Y. Goldway; and
Tony L. Hammond

Mail Classification Schedule
Modification of Eligibility Requirements
For Global Expedited Package Services Contracts

Docket No. MC2009-38

NOTICE AND ORDER OF CLASSIFICATION CHANGE
FOR GLOBAL EXPEDITED PACKAGE SERVICES CONTRACTS

(Issued August 4, 2009)

I. INTRODUCTION

On July 28, 2009, the Postal Service filed a formal notice with the Commission concerning a change in classification for Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) contracts pursuant to 3020.90 *et seq.*¹ The change reduces the minimum capability requirements for GEPS contracts from 5,000 pieces or \$100,000 to 2,500 pieces or \$50,000.

¹ See Notice of United States Postal Service of Classification Change, July 28, 2009 (Notice). This Notice is available on the Commission's website, www.prc.gov.

The Postal Service states that the lower minimum capability requirement would allow GEPS contracts to be available to a wider range of potential customers, while still large enough to warrant the transaction costs to offer a customized agreement to a potential customer. *Id.* at 1.

The Postal Service asserts this classification change is consistent with the requirements of 39 U.S.C. 3642, and further proposes conforming Mail Classification Schedule language.

Pursuant to 39 CFR 3020.92, the Commission provides notice of the Postal Service's filing and affords interested persons an opportunity to express views and offer comments on whether the proposed classification change is inconsistent with 39 U.S.C. 3642. Comments are due August 11, 2009.

39 CFR 3020.91 requires the Postal Service to file notice of the proposed change with the Commission no less than 15 days prior to the effective date of the proposed change. The Notice does not indicate the effective date of the change proposed in this filing.

The Commission appoints Jeremy L. Simmons to serve as Public Representative in these dockets.

II. ORDERING PARAGRAPHS

It is Ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. MC2009-38 for consideration of the matters raised in this docket.
2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Jeremy L. Simmons is appointed to serve as officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in these proceedings.

3. Comments by interested persons in this proceeding are due no later than August 11, 2009.

By the Commission.

Judith M. Grady
Acting Secretary