

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

Before Commissioners:

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

Conforming Mail Classification Schedule Changes
For Market Dominant Products (Inbound Surface
Parcel Post (at UPU Rates) and Country Group
Assignment)

Docket No. MC2010-8

NOTICE AND ORDER CONCERNING CLASSIFICATION CHANGE
AND COUNTRY GROUP ASSIGNMENT

(Issued November 9, 2009)

On November 4, 2009, the Postal Service filed a notice with the Commission pursuant to 39 CFR 3020.90 *et seq.* concerning two minor changes in classification for market dominant products.¹ The Postal Service states both changes conform to the classification changes in Docket No. CP2010-8, the Postal Service's Notice regarding

¹ See Notice of United States Postal Service of Classification Changes, November 4, 2009 (Notice). This notice is available on the Commission's website, www.prc.gov.

changes in rates of general applicability for competitive products established in Governors' Decision No. 09-13, filed with the Commission.²

The first change modifies the maximum dimensional requirements for Inbound Surface Parcel Post at Universal Postal Union (UPU) rates to delete specific maximum size dimensions for circular parcels. The Postal Service states that this change mirrors the classification changes in Docket No. CP2010-8 for Outbound Priority Mail International Service, Inbound Air Parcel Post, Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) Contracts and Global Plus Contracts. Notice at 1-2. It notes that this corresponding change will result in one uniform set of maximum dimensions applicable to international parcel post services. *Id.* at 2.

The second change in classification modifies the market dominant country group assignment for Kosovo. The Postal Service states that the country group assignment will be established for Kosovo based on the existing country group assignment for Serbia. In the market dominant country group assignment for First-Class Mail International service, Kosovo will be assigned to country group 5. *Id.*

The Postal Service asserts these classification changes are 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 November 16, 2009.

Section 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 states that the classification changes are to become effective at

² See Docket No. CP2010-8, Notice of the United States Postal Service of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive Products Established In Governors' Decision No. 09-13, November 4, 2009.

12:01 a.m. on January 4, 2010, which is also consistent with the changes filed in Docket No. CP2010-8.

The Commission appoints Paul L. Harrington to serve as Public Representative in this docket.

It is Ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. MC2010-8 for consideration of the matters raised in this docket.
2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Paul L. Harrington 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 November 16, 2009.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove
Secretary