

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

Shipping Charges for Personalized
Stamped Envelopes

Docket No. MC2010-23

NOTICE AND ORDER OF CLASSIFICATION CHANGE TO ADD
EXISTING SHIPPING CHARGES FOR STAMPED ENVELOPES TO THE
MAIL CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE

(Issued April 28, 2010)

On April 26, 2010, the Postal Service filed a notice of an amendment to the Mail Classification Schedule (MCS) language for the stamped envelope price category in the Ancillary Services product in Special Services.¹ In its filing, the Postal Service points out that the current MCS language for the stamped envelope price category includes pricing for personalized stamped envelopes, but omits applicable shipping charges. *Id.* at 1.

The Postal Service states that while orders for personalized stamped envelopes are placed with its Stamp Fulfillment Services office, orders are actually fulfilled by a

¹ Notice of the United States Postal Service of Classification Change to Add Existing Shipping Charges to the Mail Classification Schedule for Stamped Envelopes, April 26, 2010 (Notice).

private printer located in another state. Currently effective shipping charges for orders fulfilled by that printer are set forth in the Ordering Instructions for Personalized Stamped Envelopes (PS Form 3202-X, October 2009). *Id.*, Attachment A.

The Postal Service states further its belief that the appropriate place to include shipping charges for stamped envelopes is in the Stamped Envelope section of the MCS, rather than in the new Stamp Fulfillment Services product that it has requested be added to the MCS.² Attachment B to the Notice shows the proposed changes to the Stamped Envelope MCS language in section 1505.19 of the MCS. These charges are a continuation of the existing charges already being paid by customers.

The Commission hereby provides public notice of the Postal Service's filing and affords interested persons the opportunity to express views and offer comments on the proposed MCS classification change. Comments are due May 19, 2010.

The Commission appoints Emmett Rand Costich to serve as Public Representative in this docket.

It is Ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. MC2010-23 for consideration of the matters raised in this docket.
2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Emmett Rand Costich 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 May 19, 2010.

² See Docket No. MC2009-19, Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Stamp Fulfillment Services to the Mail Classification Schedule in Response to Order No. 391, April 26, 2010 (Request). The Request was filed at the direction of the Commission. See Order Approving Addition of Postal Services to the Mail Classification Schedule Product Lists, January 13, 2010 at 31, Ordering Paragraph 5.

4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this Order in the *Federal Register*.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove
Secretary