

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

MODIFICATION OF MAIL CLASSIFICATION
SCHEDULE FOR INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL
PLUS PRICING

Docket No. MC2013-44

NOTICE OF MINOR CLASSIFICATION CHANGE
(March 29, 2013)

Pursuant to 39 C.F.R. §§ 3020.90 and 3020.91, the United States Postal Service (Postal Service) hereby gives notice of minor changes to the Mail Classification Schedule (MCS) concerning the Commercial Plus pricing categories for the following competitive mail services: First-Class Package International Service, Priority Mail International, Express Mail International, and Global Express Guaranteed.

The minor changes in this docket allow customers to use mail tendered under an Outbound International Negotiated Service Agreement (NSA) to satisfy the \$100,000 per year commitment required of customers to qualify for Commercial Plus pricing. The Postal Service has not yet incorporated First-Class Package International Service (FCPIS) into any of its Outbound International Negotiated Service Agreement products. As such, some customers that commit to tendering more than \$100,000 per year via an Outbound International NSA are not receiving discounted rates for FCPIS.

To remedy this discrepancy, the Postal Service intends to make the published Commercial Plus pricing for FCPIS available to its International NSA customers. Under the current classification language, an NSA customer must make an annual commitment to tender at least \$100,000 in Commercial Plus volume, in addition to the annual commitment required by the specific customer's NSA. This minor classification

change removes the potential for redundant threshold requirements by allowing the mail tendered under an International NSA to satisfy the \$100,000 per year commitment required to access the Commercial Plus pricing. The Postal Service intends to make these changes effective as soon as this docket is concluded.

The Postal Service hereby submits to the Commission these changes in the Mail Classification Schedule, as shown in the Attachment to this Notice. The Postal Service believes that the changes are consistent with 39 U.S.C. § 3642 and should be incorporated by the Commission into the MCS.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CHANGES TO THE
MAIL CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE (MCS)**
(Additions are underlined and deletions are marked with strike-through)

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PART B

COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS

2000 COMPETITIVE PRODUCT LIST

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2001 COMPETITIVE PRODUCT DESCRIPTIONS

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2300 International Products

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2303 Outbound Single-Piece First-Class Package International Service

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2303.4 Price Categories

The following price categories are available for the product specified in this section:

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- Commercial Plus – For selected destination countries, available for customers who use specifically authorized postage payment methods and must tender at least \$100,000 per year of any combination of ~~Express Mail International~~, Global Express Guaranteed, Express Mail International, Priority Mail International, or First-Class Package International Service items. The discount applies only to the postage portion of First-Class Package International Service prices. Mail tendered under an Outbound International Negotiated Service Agreement may be used to satisfy the \$100,000 per year commitment.

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2305 Outbound International Expedited Services

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2305.4 Price Categories

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Global Express Guaranteed

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- Commercial Plus – For selected destination countries, available for customers who use specifically authorized postage payment methods and must tender at least \$100,000 per year of any combination of Global Express Guaranteed, Express Mail International, Priority Mail International, or First-Class Package International Service items. The discount applies only to the postage portion of Global Express Guaranteed prices. Mail tendered under an Outbound International Negotiated Service Agreement may be used to satisfy the \$100,000 per year commitment.

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Express Mail International

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- Commercial Plus – For selected destination countries, available for customers who use specifically authorized postage payment methods and must tender at least \$100,000 per year of any combination of Global Express Guaranteed, Express Mail International, Priority Mail International, or First-Class Package International Service items. The discount applies only to the postage portion of Express Mail International prices. Mail tendered under an Outbound International Negotiated Service Agreement may be used to satisfy the \$100,000 per year commitment.

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2315 Outbound Priority Mail International

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2315.4 Price Categories

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- Commercial Plus – For selected destination countries, available for customers who use specifically authorized postage payment methods and must tender at least \$100,000 per year of any combination of Global Express Guaranteed, Express Mail International, Priority Mail International, Express Mail International, Global Express Guaranteed, or First-Class Package International Service items. The discount applies only to the postage portion of Priority Mail International prices. Mail tendered under an Outbound International Negotiated Service

Agreement may be used to satisfy the \$100,000 per year
commitment.