

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

MAIL CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE

Docket No. RM2011-8

FOURTH SET OF COMMENTS BY UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
(April 22, 2013)

On February 7, 2011, the Commission established this proceeding to finalize the Mail Classification Schedule (MCS).<sup>1</sup> Since that time, the Postal Service has thrice provided feedback on the draft MCS: March 24, 2011,<sup>2</sup> July 7, 2011 and July 29, 2011. On April 1, 2013, the Commission issued a notice to the effect that a new version of the MCS had been posted on its website, with any comments requested by April 22, 2013. Attached to this cover sheet are the Postal Service's latest comments.

In fulfillment of interests in brevity and simplicity, Postal Service comments in this instance have two components: respective attachments reflect tables showing changes to the domestic (Attachment 1) and international (Attachment 2) sections of the MCS.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Order No. 666 (February 7, 2011).

<sup>2</sup> *Comments Of United States Postal Service*. This pleading included ten pages of discussion, a 39 page table of changes, and a 450 page redline markup of the MCS. A similar pattern was followed in each succeeding set of Postal Service Comments.

<sup>3</sup> Each table has three columns: Section (of MCS), Change and Rationale.

The Postal Service generally accepts that if previous suggested changes were not adopted by the Commission, they need not be pursued further here. Instead, should the Postal Service continue believing in their merit, or in any more substantive changes, they will be submitted in a formal proceeding. At the same time, the Postal Service understanding is that where the Commission has previously agreed to some MCS proposal, absent express departure from that agreement it remains effective. Hence the Postal Service structures its input so as to identify those documents that support its understanding regarding current MCS language.

This approach, however, also fails to address another potential source of MCS changes: those which flow from expiration or termination of agreements. Attachment 2 addresses this issue by including such changes.

As such, the Postal Service does not believe that this proceeding is appropriate for eliminating the Competitive Post Office Box service price ranges accepted in Orders No. 603 (at 8-9) (December 2, 2010) and 1062 (at 5) (December 21, 2011). In a letter to the Commission a few weeks after Order No. 603, the Postal Service presented public notice of the specific fees, expressed its understanding that the Commission had accepted the fee ranges, and that the only remaining requirement was to notify the Commission of the fees when they were made public. Letter to Shoshana Grove Regarding Competitive Post Office Box Service Fees (December 30, 2010). The Commission has done nothing to contradict this understanding.

In the new MCS draft, however, the Commission has substituted the actual current prices. See MCS 2640.1.6. Such a change would withdraw pricing flexibility from the Postal Service, and would implicate the Postal Service's competitive concerns about public disclosure of box prices at the time it files for general Competitive price changes – well in advance of announcing new box fees upon their implementation. The more notice a competitor has regarding such price changes, the more likely competitive harm becomes.

The Postal Service extends its thanks and congratulations to the Commission for the extensive efforts necessary to development of an MCS appropriate to the current statutory scheme; hereafter the pace of incremental change should become much easier to track based, as it will be, on parallel understanding.

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## Proposed Changes to the Draft Mail Classification Schedule

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
Throughout MCS	<i>Replace:</i> All references to “Delivery Confirmation” with “USPS Tracking”	See Docket No. MC2013-28
Trademark Notice	<i>Remove:</i> “Collection Box”, “Express Mail Same Day”, and “Priority Mail Global Guaranteed” <i>Replace:</i> “TM” with “®” for “Commercial Base”, “Priority Mail Flat Rate”, and “Priority Mail Regional Rate” “®” with “TM” for “ZIP Code” “Postal Store” with “The Postal Store”	Recent updates
First-Class Mail 1105.4	<i>Replace:</i> “Competitive Services” with “Competitive Ancillary Services”	See Docket No. R2012-3
First-Class Mail 1105.5	<i>Add:</i> “1, 2” after “Single-Piece Machinable Letters” and “Single-Piece Postcards”	See Docket No. R2013-1
Standard Mail 1200.1b	<i>Replace:</i> “enclosure” with “closure”	To conform with Draft MCS filed 9/24/07, page 10; Inspection possible even when closed/sealed
Standard Mail, Saturation Parcels Per Piece Table 1210.6	<i>Remove:</i> Footnote indicators in the “Per Piece” price table for Saturation Parcels.	To conform to PRC deletion of corresponding footnotes.
Standard Mail 1215.1	<i>Replace:</i> Carrier Route description with “Carrier Route must meet presorting, machinability, addressing, barcoding, walk-sequencing, and other preparation requirements.”	See Docket No. R2012-3, Notice, Attachment A, page 25 (10/18/11)

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
Standard Mail 1215.5	<i>Remove:</i> “Detached Address Labels” as an optional feature	To conform to removal of that feature in Docket No. R2012-3, Notice, Attachment A, page 29 (10/18/11)
Standard Mail 1215.6	<i>Remove:</i> Footnote indicators in the “Per Piece” price table for Carrier Route Parcels.	To conform to PRC deletion of corresponding footnotes.
Standard Mail 1215.6	<i>Remove:</i> “Flat or parcel-shaped pieces including a Detached Address Label” and corresponding description	To conform to removal of that feature in Docket No. R2012-3, Notice, Attachment A, page 29 (10/18/11)
Standard Mail 1220.1	<i>Replace:</i> Letters description with “Letters must meet presorting, machinability, addressing, barcoding, and other preparation requirements.”	See Docket No. R2012-3, Notice, Attachment A, page 31 (10/18/11)
Standard Mail 1225.1	<i>Replace:</i> Flats description with “Flats must meet presorting, machinability, addressing, barcoding, and other preparation requirements.”	See Docket No. R2012-3, Notice, Attachment A, page 34 (10/18/11)

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
Standard Mail 1230.1	<i>Replace:</i> Parcels description with “Parcels must meet presorting, addressing, barcoding, and other preparation requirements.”	See Docket No. R2012-3, Notice, Attachment A, page 38 (10/18/11)
Periodicals 1300.1a	<i>Replace:</i> “post office” with “Post Office”	Trademark is capitalized
Package Services 1405.1	<i>Replace:</i> Current Alaska Bypass description with “Subject to applicable FAA regulations, and as specified by the Postal Service, all appropriately palletized mail may be sent intra-Alaska from designated “hub points” to designated “bush points” via Alaska Bypass Service.	See Docket No. MC2012-13
Package Services 1425.5	<i>Replace:</i> “Competitive Services” with “Competitive Ancillary Services”	See Docket No. R2012-3
Ancillary Services 1505.1.1	<i>Remove:</i> The last sentence in section 1505.1.1(e) to be consistent with DMM 705.23.4.2.	See USPS Comments in Docket No. RM2011-8
Ancillary Services 1505.2.1, 2	<i>Replace:</i> “Authorization” with “Application” in last section of Description (two places), and in last line of Price table	Consistency with Glossary section on Permit Imprint
Ancillary Services Description 1505.9.1b	<i>Replace:</i> “For articles” with “For General Insurance articles”	This section does not apply to Express Mail insurance
Ancillary Services 1505.9.1b	<i>Replace:</i> “loss of, rifling of, or damage to” with “loss, damage, or missing contents for”	Consistency with other insurance sections, which removed the term “rifling”

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
International Ancillary Services 1510.2.1d	<i>Replace:</i> "rifling" with "missing contents"	Consistency with other insurance sections, which replaced "rifling" with "missing contents"
Market Tests 1801	<i>Replace:</i> Expiration date of January 1, 2013 with January 2, 2014	Order No. 1577 extended this market test for 12 months
Market Tests 1802	Eliminate section since EDDM Retail was added to the MCS effective January 27, 2013, ending the market test	Order No. 1460, and 77 Fed. Reg. 62447 (10/12/12)
Market Tests 1803	Eliminate section since market test was ended by Postal Service	Notice of Termination filed January 8, 2013 in Docket No MT2011-4
Express Mail 2105.4	<i>Add:</i> "Flat Rate Boxes – Boxes provided or approved by the Postal Service" as a price category under Retail, Commercial Base, and Commercial Plus	To conform with FRB prices listed in section 2105.6
Parcel Select 2115.2	<i>Remove:</i> Regional Ground from the Size and Weight Limitations Table	To conform with removal in Docket No. CP2013-3
Parcel Select 2115.3	<i>Remove:</i> Regional Ground from the Minimum Volume Requirements Table	To conform with removal in Docket No. CP2013-3
Parcel Select 2115.3	<i>Replace:</i> Existing table with the revised table approved in Docket No MC2013-29	Order No. 1637 approved the revised Minimum Volume Requirements table

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
First-Class Package Service 2125.4	<i>Remove:</i> Move Update Assessment Charge from the list of price categories, as it does not apply to parcels	Consistency with section 1120
First-Class Package Service 2125.6	<i>Remove:</i> Move Update Assessment Charge price category, as it does not apply to parcels	Consistency with section 1120
Post Office Box Service 2640.3	<i>Replace:</i> Four tables of Semi-Annual and Quarterly fees with one table of price ranges	Order No. 1062, at 5, adopted price ranges proposed by Postal Service in Attachment to Governors Decision No. 11-8, page 141 (filed November 22, 2011)

**Proposed Changes to the International Sections of the Draft Mail Classification Schedule (MCS) posted by the Postal Regulatory Commission (“PRC”) on April 1, 2013, with Rationale for Edits**

**(Changes Listed are Intended so that MCS Is Up to Date to Filings Posted on the Postal Regulatory Commission’s Website on or Before April 1, 2013)**

<b>SECTION</b>	<b>PROPOSED CHANGE</b>	<b>RATIONALE</b>
Trademark Notice (page ii)	Delete “Priority Mail Global Guaranteed®”	“Priority Mail Global Guaranteed®” product not included in MCS.
Part A Market Dominant Products (page 3)	Delete “Canada Post – United States Postal Service Contractual Bilateral Agreement for Inbound Market Dominant Services”	To conform to the deletion of Section 2515.9 Canada Post – United States Postal Service Contractual Bilateral Agreement for Inbound Competitive Services. The CP2010-13 Canada Post bilateral agreement expired December 31, 2011.

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
1130.1, Inbound Letter Post (page 32)	Delete section 1130.1b, and renumber subsequent paragraphs	To conform to Additional Supplemental Comments of United States Postal Service on Mail Classification Schedule, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, Suppl MCS MarkUp 7 28 2011.pdf ("Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft"), at 33.
1602.3.5, Inbound Market Dominant Multi-Service Agreements with Foreign Postal Operators, Products Included in Group (Agreements) (Page 198)	Replace "Australia Post Agreement, R2012-2, expires January 1, 2014" with "Australia Post Agreement, R2012-2, expires December 31, 2013"	To conform to the initial term of the R2012-2 Australia Post agreement, which according to Article 22 of that agreement, is two years. The effective date of the agreement is January 1, 2012. Therefore, the agreement expires December 31, 2013.
1602.4, Inbound Market Dominant Exprés Service Agreement 1 (Page 199)	Replace "PRC Order No. 876, September 26, 2010" with "PRC Order No. 876, September 26, 2011"	To conform to PRC Order No. 876, Docket No. R2011-6, September 26, 2011.

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
<p>2000, Competitive Product List, Inbound EMS (Page 208)</p>	<p>Delete "Inbound EMS 3"</p>	<p>To conform to the December 31, 2011 termination of the CP2010-12 China Post bilateral EMS agreement, as agreed to in Article 22, paragraph 4 of the CP2011-68 China Post bilateral agreement. (See United States Postal Service Response to Order No. 859 Concerning Effective Dates of an Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators 1 Negotiated Service Agreement, Docket No. CP2011-68, December 30, 2011.)</p>

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
2305.2, Outbound International Expedited Services, Size and Weight Limitations, Express Mail International, Flat Rate Boxes (Page 318)	<p>In the merged Length, Height, and Thickness columns, replace</p> <p>“Nominal Size: Top Loading: 11.25 x. 8.75 x 6 inches Side Loading: 12 x 35 x 14 inches”</p> <p>With</p> <p>Sizes: Various sizes as defined in the IMM. - Not to exceed .35 cu. ft.”</p>	<p>To conform to Notice of the United States Postal Service of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive Products Established in Governors’ Decision No. 12-2, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012 (“Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012”), Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 12-2, at 90.</p>
2305.6, Outbound International Expedited Services, Prices, Global Express Guaranteed (Page 329)	<p>After “<i>Global Express Guaranteed Commercial Plus Prices</i>” table, add:</p> <p>“<i>Global Express Guaranteed Promotional Sale</i></p> <p>The Postal Service may offer a promotion in the form of a discount or rebate on certain Global Express Guaranteed service, during an established promotional program period, to mailers that comply with the eligibility requirements of the promotional program.”</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 12-2, at 97.</p>
2305.6, Outbound International Expedited Services, Global Express Guaranteed (Page 329)	<p>A footnote 1 should be added to “<i>Express Mail International: Flat Rate Prices</i>”. The footnote should state “1. No additional discount is offered for Commercial Base or Commercial Plus.”</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 12-2, at 98</p>

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2305.6, Outbound International Expedited Services, Express Mail International (Page 347)	<p>After “<i>Express Mail International Commercial Plus Prices</i>” table, add  <u>“<i>Express Mail International Promotional Sales</i>”</u></p> <p>The Postal Service may offer one or more promotions in the form of a discount or rebate on certain Express Mail International service, which may be available only to certain destinations, during an established promotional program period, to mailers that comply with the eligibility requirements of the promotional program.”</p>	To conform to Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 12-2, at 107
2315.2, Outbound Priority Mail International, Size and Weight Limitations, Table, Parcel Flat Rate Boxes (Page 351)	<p>For Large, replace “- approximately ½ cu. ft.” with “- not to exceed .5 cu. ft.”</p> <p>For Medium, replace “- approximately 1/3 cu. ft.” with “- not to exceed .35 cu. ft.”</p>	To conform to Notice of the United States Postal Service of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive Products Established in Governors’ Decision No. 11-8, Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2012-2, November 22, 2011, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 11-8, at 107

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
2315.2, Outbound Priority Mail International, Size and Weight Limitations, Table, Letter Post Flat Rate Boxes (Page 351)	For Small, replace “- approximately 1/20 cu. ft.” with “- not to exceed .05 cu. ft.”	To conform to Notice of the United States Postal Service of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive Products Established in Governors’ Decision No. 11-8, Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2012-2, November 22, 2011, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 11-8, at 107
2315.7, Outbound Priority Mail International, Prices (Page 354)	<p>First, Footnotes “<sup>1 2</sup>” should be added after title “<i>Priority Mail International Retail Flat Rate Prices</i>”</p> <p>Second, “Canada (1) (\$)” should be replaced with “Canada (Price Group 1) (\$)”</p> <p>Third, “All Other Countries (2 through 17) (\$)” should be replaced with “All Other Countries (Price Groups 2 through 17) (\$)”</p>	To conform to Notice of the United States Postal Service of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive Products Established in Governors’ Decision No. 11-8, Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2012-2, November 22, 2011, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 11-8, at 109

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2315.7, Outbound Priority Mail International, Prices (Page 372)	<p>After “<i>Priority Mail International Commercial Plus Prices</i>” table, add</p> <p><i>“Priority Mail International Promotional Sale</i></p> <p>The Postal Service may offer a promotion in the form of a discount or rebate on certain Priority Mail International items, during an established promotional program period, to mailers that comply with the eligibility requirements of the promotional program.”</p>	To conform to Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 12-2, at 123.
2320.1, International Priority Airmail, Description (page 373)	In 2320.1 a, replace “International Priority Airmail” with “International Priority Airmail service”	To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 334, as revised by Postal Service Notice of Minor Classification Change, Docket No. MC2013-14, November 2, 2012.

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<p>2320.1, International Priority Airmail, Description (Page 373)</p>	<p>In 2320.1e, “Mailpieces are prepared for mailing in Direct Country sacks (5 or more pounds of mail addressed to an individual country). Mixed Country Package sacks (5 or more pounds of mail addressed to individual countries in the same Price Group), or Worldwide Nonpresort sacks (mail th[at] cannot be made up into Direct Country o[r] Mixed Country sacks), as specified in the International Mail Manual. (See the International Mail Manual for additional mail preparation requirements for Canada and for authorization to present mail in trays.) International Direct Sacks –M-Bags (meeting the requirements of 2330) also may be mailed in conjunction with an International Priority Airmail mailing.”</p> <p>Should be replaced with</p> <p>“International Priority Airmail presorted mail and M-Bags are assigned to a specified price group based on the destination country. A price group may consist of one specific country or multiple countries. To determine the price group for a destination country, refer to the Country Price Group List for International Mail (4000).”</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 334</p>
<p>2320.4, International Priority Airmail, Price Categories (Page 375)</p>	<p>Add “ Price Groups 1-15” at the end of “Worldwide Nonpresort Mail – Full service and ISC Drop Shipment” section</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 336</p>
<p>2320.6, International Priority Airmail (IPA), Prices, International Priority Airmail M- Bag (Page 379)</p>	<p>In a. International Priority Airmail M-Bag (Full Service) table,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• replace “Maximum Weight (pounds)” in the two places it appears with “Each M-Bag Subject to a Minimum 11 Pound Price”</li> <li>• replace “11” in the two places it appears with “Weight Not Over 11 Pounds”</li> </ul> <p>In b. International Priority Airmail M-Bag (ISC Drop Shipment) table,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• replace “Maximum Weight (pounds)” in the two places it appears with “Each M-Bag Subject to a Minimum 5 Pound Price”</li> <li>• add additional row above row beginning with “5” in the two places it appears which states “Weight Not Over (pounds)”</li> </ul>	<p>To conform to Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 12-2, at 127-129</p>

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<p>2325, International Surface Air Lift (ISAL), Description (Page 381)</p>	<p>In 2325.1 a, "International Surface Air Lift (ISAL)" should be replaced with "International Surface Air List (ISAL) service"</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 342, as revised by Postal Service Notice of Minor Classification Change, Docket No. MC2013-14, November 2, 2012</p>
<p>2325, International Surface Air Lift (ISAL), Description (Page 381)</p>	<p>In 2325.1d, "Mailpieces are prepared for mailing in Direct Country sacks (5 or more pounds of mail addressed to an individual country). Mixed Country Package sacks (5 or more pounds of mail addressed to individual countries in the same Price Group), or Worldwide Nonpresort sacks (mail th[at] cannot be made up into Direct Country o[r] Mixed Country sacks), as specified in the International Mail Manual. (See the International Mail Manual for additional mail preparation requirements for Canada and for authorization to present mail in trays.) International Direct Sacks –M-Bags (meeting the requirements of 2330) also may be mailed in conjunction with an International Surface Air List mailing."</p> <p>Should be replaced with</p> <p>"A Price Group can be dedicated for one specific country or multiple countries. To determine the price group for a destination country, refer to the Country Price Group List for International Mail (4000)."</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 342</p>

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<p>2325.2, International Surface Air Lift (ISAL), Size and Weight Limitations (Page 382)</p>	<p>For Letters, delete the following Note 1.</p> <p>“Packages of letter-size pieces of mail should be no thicker than approximately a handful of mail (4” to 6”). A package or packet is defined as 10 or more pieces of mail to the same country separation or 1 pound or more regardless of the number of pieces.”</p> <p>For Large Envelopes (Flats), delete the following Note 1.</p> <p>“Packages of flat-size mail may be thicker than 6”, but weigh no more than 11 pounds. A package or packet is defined as 10 or more pieces of mail to the same country separation or 1 pound or more regardless of the number of pieces.”</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 343</p>
<p>2325.6, International Surface Air Lift (ISAL), Prices (Pages 388-389)</p>	<p>In International Surface Air Lift M-Bags (Full Service) table,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• replace “Maximum Weight (pounds)” in the two places it appears with “Each M-Bag Subject to a Minimum 11 Pound Price”</li> <li>• replace “11” in the two places it appears with “Weight Not Over 11 Pounds”</li> </ul> <p>In International Surface Air Lift M-Bag (ISC Drop Shipment) table,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• replace “Maximum Weight (pounds)” in the two places it appears with “Each M-Bag Subject to a Minimum 5 Pound Price”</li> <li>• add additional row above row beginning with “5” in the two places it appears which states “Weight Not Over (pounds)”</li> </ul>	<p>To conform to Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 12-2, at 133-135</p>
<p>2330.6, International Surface Air List (ISAL), Prices (Page 392)</p>	<p>In Outbound International Direct Sacks - M-Bags table,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• replace “Maximum Weight (pounds)” with “Each M-Bag Subject to a Minimum 11 Pound Price”</li> <li>• replace “11” with “Weight Not Over 11 Pounds”</li> </ul>	<p>To conform to Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 12-2, at 136</p>

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2335.4, Outbound Single-Piece First-Class Package International Service, Price Categories (Page 394)	Replace “Retail Packages” with “Packages: Small Packets, including Rolls”  In the Commercial Plus paragraph, third line, replace “100,000” with “\$100,000”	To conform to Request of the United States Postal Service to Transfer Outbound Single-Piece First-Class Mail International Packages and Rolls to the Competitive Product List, Docket No. MC2012-44, August 10, 2012, Attachment C, pages 10-11, as revised by Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012, Attachment to Governors’ Decision No. 12-2, at 85
2335.6, Outbound Single-Piece First-Class Package International Service, Prices (Page 398)	After the price tables, add  <i>“Outbound Single-Piece First Class Package International Service Promotional Sale</i>  The Postal Service may offer a promotion in the form of a discount or rebate on certain Outbound Single-Piece First-Class Package International Service, during an established promotional period, to mailers that comply with the eligibility requirements of the promotional program.”	To conform to Postal Service Notice, Docket No. CP2013-3, October 11, 2012, at 88.

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
2510.3.6, GEPS Contracts, Products Included in Group (Agreements) (Page 431)	For CP2012-56, replace “expires September 30, 2012” with “expires October 1, 2013”	To conform to PRC Order No. 1479, Docket No. CP2012-56, at 2.
2510.3.6, GEPS Contracts, Products Included in Group (Agreements) (Page 431)	For GEPS 4, replace “expires February 16, 2016” with “TBD”	CP2011-54 agreement has not yet been activated by the customer.
2510.5.2, Global Bulk Economy (GBE) Contracts, Size and Weight Limitations (Page 435)	In Package (Small Packets) table, replace “4 ounces” with “4 pounds”	To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 377

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<p>2510.6.1, Global Plus Contracts, Description (Page 437)</p>	<p>In 2510.6.1a, third line, replace “Express Mail International (EMI), and Priority Mail International (PMI)” with “Global Express Guaranteed (GXG), Express Mail International (EMI), Priority Mail International (PMI), Commercial ePacket (CeP), and International Business Reply Service (IBRS).”</p> <p>In 2510.6.1a, last line, replace “IPA and ISAL mailings” with “IPA, ISAL, GBE, and CeP mailings.”</p> <p>In 2510.6.1b, second line, replace “EMI, and/or PMI” with “GXG, and/or PMI, and or PMI, and/or CEP and/or IBRS”</p> <p>In 2510.6.1.b, fifth line, replace “and/or EMI shipments, and/or PMI shipments” with “and/or GXG shipments, and/or EMI shipments, and/or PMI shipments, and/or CeP shipments, and/or IBRS shipments.”</p> <p>In 2510.6.1.d, replace “Individual negotiated agreements must comply with the requirements specified in 39 U.S.C. § 3633” with “For a mailer to qualify, the contract must cover its attributable costs.”</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 379, as revised by Errata to Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Global Plus 2C to the Competitive Products List and Notice of Filing Two Functionally Equivalent Global Plus 2C Contracts Negotiated Service Agreement, Docket Nos. MC2012-5, CP2012-10, and CP2012-11, January 5, 2012.</p>

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
2510.6.2, Global Plus Contracts, Size and Weight Limitations (Page 438)	<p>For Letters, delete Note 1 (See USPS July 29, 2011 filing in Docket No. RM2011-8)</p> <p>For Large Envelopes (Flats), delete Note 1</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 380, as revised by Errata to Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Global Plus 2C to the Competitive Products List and Notice of Filing Two Functionally Equivalent Global Plus 2C Contracts Negotiated Service Agreement, Docket Nos. MC2012-5, CP2012-10, and CP2012-11, January 5, 2012.</p>

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
2510.6.4, Global Plus Contracts, Price Categories (Page 440)	After "Global Plus – GBE", add "• Global Plus – GXG"  After "Global Plus – PMI" add "• Global Plus – CeP • Global Plus – IBRS"	To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 382, as revised by Errata to Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Global Plus 2C to the Competitive Products List and Notice of Filing Two Functionally Equivalent Global Plus 2C Contracts Negotiated Service Agreement, Docket Nos. MC2012-5, CP2012-10, and CP2012-11, January 5, 2012.

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
<p>2510.6.5, Global Plus Contracts, Optional Features (Page 441)</p>	<p>Before “Software-Related Services,” add</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For IPA, optional features may include Commercial ePacket service, which is a delivery confirmation with scanning service available for IPA items to certain destinations.”</li> </ul>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 383, as revised by Errata to Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Global Plus 2C to the Competitive Products List and Notice of Filing Two Functionally Equivalent Global Plus 2C Contracts Negotiated Service Agreement, Docket Nos. MC2012-5, CP2012-10, and CP2012-11, January 5, 2012.</p>

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
2510.7.6, Global Reseller Expedited Package Contracts, Products Included in Group (Agreements) (Page 446)	Delete "CP2012-21 agreement, expires TBD"	To conform to expiration of CP2012-21 agreement on January 26, 2013, as mentioned in filing of successor agreement, in Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing a Functionally Equivalent Global Reseller Expedited Package Negotiated Service Agreement and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal, Docket No. CP2013-20, November 21, 2012, at 3

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<p>2510.8.1, Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) – Non-Published Rates, Description (Page 447)</p>	<p>In 2510.8.1a, second line, replace “Express Mail International (EMI) and/or Priority Mail International (PMI) for all destinations served by Express Mail International and Priority Mail International” with  “Global Express Guaranteed (GXG), Express Mail International (EMI) and Priority Mail International (PMI) for all destinations served by GXG, EMI, and PMI. GXG is only available if the mailer chooses postage payment through a permit imprint using USPS-provided Global Shipping Software (GSS).”</p> <p>In 2510.8.1c, third line, replace “\$50,000.00 in international postage to the Postal Service” with  “\$200,000.00 for GXG, EMI, and PMI to the Postal Service under a Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) – Non-published Rates agreement.”</p> <p>In 2510.8.1d. replace “Express Mail International Priority Mail International (PMI), PMI, or both, on an annualized basis” with  “GXG, EMI and PMI on an annualized basis.”</p> <p>In 2510.8.1e, replace text that appears with the following:</p> <p>“Mail preparation requirements are the same as required for GXG, EMI, and PMI shipments with the following exceptions if the mailer selects postage payment through a permit imprint using USPS-provided Global Shipping Software (GSS):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The mailer is required to create address labels and customs declarations for EMI and PMI, using USPS-provided Global Shipping Software (GSS).</li> <li>• The mailer is required to create address labels for GXG using USPS-provided Global Shipping Software (GSS) and to follow the procedures detailed in USPS Publication 141 <i>Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide</i>.</li> <li>• The mailer may be required to prepare specific shipments according to country specific requirements.”</li> </ul>	<p>To conform to Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Global Expedited Package Services – Non-Published Rates 4 (GEPS – NPR 4) to the Competitive Products List and Notice of Filing GEPS – NPR 4 Model Contract and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal, Docket Nos. MC2013-27 and CP2013-35, December 21, 2012, Attachment 2B</p>

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
<p>2510.8.3, Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) – Non-Published Rates, Minimum Volume Requirements (Page 448)</p>	<p>In first line, delete “1” after “Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) - Non-published Rates”</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 390, as revised by Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Global Expedited Package Services – Non-Published Rates 4 (GEPS – NPR 4) to the Competitive Products List and Notice of Filing GEPS – NPR 4 Model Contract and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal (“Postal Service GEPS – NPR 4 Request”), Docket Nos. MC2013-27 and CP2013-35, December 21, 2012, Attachment 2B</p>

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<p>2510.8.4, Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) – Non-Published Rates, Price Categories (Page 449)</p>	<p>Before  “● GEPS – Express Mail International”</p> <p>Add  “● GEPS – Global Express Guaranteed”</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 391, as revised by Postal Service GEPS – NPR 4 Request, Docket Nos. MC2013-27 and CP2013-35, December 21, 2012, Attachment 2B</p>
<p>2510.8.5, Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) – Non-Published Rates, Optional Features (Page 449)</p>	<p>Replace International Ancillary Services (2615) section with</p> <p>“● International Ancillary Services (2615)  ● None”</p>	<p>To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 391, as revised by Postal Service GEPS – NPR 4 Request, Docket Nos. MC2013-27 and CP2013-35, December 21, 2012, Attachment 2B</p>

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
2515.3.4, International Business Reply Service (IBRS) Competitive Services, Products Included in Group (Agreements) (Page 453)	For CP2012-17, “expires March 18, 2013” should be revised to state “TBD”  For CP2012-18, “expires April 1, 2013” should be revised to state “TBD”	To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 394, with revisions resulting from status of CP2012-17 agreement and CP2012-18 agreement, as of April 1, 2013
2515.6.1, Inbound EMS, Description	In 2515.6.1d,, replace “There” with “Unless covered by a negotiated service agreement, there”	To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 400

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2515.6.7 Inbound EMS, Products Included in Group (Agreements) (Page 462)	Delete asterisk after “Kosovo UNMIK” or provide explanation	To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 405, as revised by United States Postal Quarterly Update in Response to Order No. 162, Docket Nos. MC2009-10 and CP2009-12, January 2, 2013, which included listing of countries assigned to two tiers from October 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

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<p>2515.6.7 Inbound EMS, Products Included in Group (Agreements) (Page 462)</p>	<p>Delete the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“● Inbound EMS 3 The Postal Service has a bilateral agreement with China Post which sets inbound and outbound charges for EMS and discusses improved service opportunities.</li> </ul> <p><i>Baseline Reference</i> Docket Nos. MC2010-13 and CP2012-12 PRC Order No. 365, December 22, 2009</p> <p><i>Included Agreements</i> China Post Group, CP2010-12, expires TBD”</p>	<p>To conform to the December 31, 2011 termination of the CP2010-12 China Post bilateral EMS agreement, as agreed to in Article 22, paragraph 4 of the CP2011-68 China Post bilateral agreement. (See also United States Postal Service Response to Order No. 859 Concerning Effective Dates of an Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators 1 Negotiated Service Agreement, Docket No. CP2011-68, December 30, 2011)</p>

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
2515.10.5, Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreements with Foreign Postal Operators, Products Included in Group (Agreements) (Page 466)	Replace "Posten Norge AS" with "Posten Norge AS (Norway Post)"	To clarify that CP2012-60 agreement is with Posten Norge AS (Norway Post)."
2515.10.5, Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreements with Foreign Postal Operators, Products Included in Group (Agreements) (Page 466)	Delete "Norway Post, CP2012-60, expires March 31, 2014"	The CP2012-60 agreement is already described in the entry concerning the Posten Norge AS agreement
2515.10.5, Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreements with Foreign Postal Operators, Products Included in Group (Agreements) (Page 466)	Replace "Australian Post Corporation, CP2012-1, expires January 1, 2014" with "Australian Post Corporation, CP2012-1, expires December 31, 2013"	See PRC Order No. 956, Order Concerning an Additional Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreements with Foreign Postal Operators 1 Negotiated Service Agreement, Docket No. CP2012-1, November 9, 2011, at 2-3.

SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	RATIONALE
2615.1, International Ancillary Services, International Certificate of Mailing, Description (Page 472)	In 2615.1.1b, second line replace "First-Class Priority" with "Priority"  In 2615.2.2b, second to last line, delete "International Priority Airlift,"	To conform to Postal Service July 29, 2011 MCS Draft, Docket No. RM2011-8, July 29, 2011, at 419, and Notice of the United States Postal service of Minor Classification Changes Related to Certificate of Mailing and International Certificate of Mailing Services, Docket No.MC2012-24, May 18, 2012