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Competitive Product Price Changes
Rates of General Applicability

Docket No. CP2015-33

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 2

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To clarify the issues raised by the Notice of the United States Postal Service of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive Products Established in Governors' Decision No. 14-5 (Notice), the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following questions. Answers should be provided to individual questions as soon as they are developed, but no later than February 20, 2015.

International Mail

- 1) Refer to the response to CHIR No 1, Question 4, where the Postal Service suggests a footnote for the Mail Classification Schedule (MCS) concerning the new zoned-based prices for Priority Mail International (PMI) destined to Canada (Country Price Group 1). The footnote states, in part: "The applicable sub-country group from 1.1 to 1.8 for prices destined to Canada is based on the applicable zone from the origin point to the serving International Service Center (ISC)." The Postal Service also identifies the five ISCs: New York (11430-9998), Chicago (60666-9998), Los Angeles (90009-9998), Miami (33112-9997), and San Francisco (94128-3161).
 - a) Please explain how a mailer sending PMI Retail items to Canada can determine the applicable sub-country group (1.1 to 1.8) that applies to their item.
 - b) What is the basis and delineation of the sub-country groups 1.1 to 1.8? For example, what determines the sub-country group for a particular PMI Retail item?

- c) Assume a mailer enters a PMI Retail item weighing 2 pounds in each of the following cities: New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Miami, and San Francisco. Please provide the applicable sub-country group (1.1 to 1.8), identify the ISC that will dispatch the item to Canada, and the price to be paid by the mailer for the PMI Retail item.
- d) Assume a mailer enters a PMI Retail item weighing 2 pounds in each of the following cities: Boston, Washington DC, St. Louis, Denver, Phoenix, and Seattle. Please provide the applicable sub-country group (1.1 to 1.8), identify the ISC that will dispatch the item to Canada, and the price to be paid by the mailer for the PMI Retail item.
- e) For clarity, the Commission proposes the following column headings for the price tables, Priority Mail International Parcels Retail Prices, Priority Mail International Parcels Commercial Base Prices, and Priority Mail International Parcels Commercial Plus Prices. Please confirm that the column headings below accurately represent the product offering. If not confirmed, please provide an alternative and explain.

Maximum Weight (Pounds)	Country Price Group						
	1						
	Origin Zone 1&2 (\$)	Origin Zone 3 (\$)	Origin Zone 4 (\$)	Origin Zone 5 (\$)	Origin Zone 6 (\$)	Origin Zone 7 (\$)	Origin Zone 8 (\$)

By the Acting Chairman.

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