

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

Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Acting Chairman;
Tony Hammond, Vice Chairman;
Mark Acton;
Ruth Y. Goldway; and
Nanci E. Langley

Competitive Product Prices
Parcel Return Service Contract 3 (MC2013-39)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2013-51

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued March 23, 2015)

The temporary extension of the negotiated service agreement approved in this proceeding (Existing Agreement) is set to expire April 2, 2015.¹ The Postal Service filed a motion requesting that the Commission again extend the expiration date of the Existing Agreement, pending the Commission's consideration of a successor agreement in Docket Nos. MC2015-41 and CP2015-53.²

The Postal Service states that, because of the timing of the regulatory process, there may be a brief window between the expiration of the Existing Agreement and the

¹ See Order No. 1672, Order Adding Parcel Return Service Contract 3 to the Competitive Product List, March 1, 2013. See *also* Order No. 2368, Order Granting Motion for Temporary Relief, February 25, 2015.

² Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, March 20, 2015 (Motion).

effective date of the successor agreement that will create an interruption in the customer's access to negotiated rates. Motion at 1. To avoid this, the Postal Service requests that the Commission grant an additional brief extension allowing the Existing Agreement to remain in effect until such time as the Commission is able to complete its review of the new agreement. *Id.* at 1.

The Motion is granted. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue through, and will expire on May 2, 2015, or upon approval by the Commission of a new agreement, whichever occurs first. Allowing the Existing Agreement to remain in effect temporarily is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person.

It is ordered:

1. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed March 20, 2015, is granted.
2. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue through, and will expire on May 2, 2015, or upon approval by the Commission of a new agreement, whichever occurs first.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove
Secretary