

ORDER NO. 2433

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

Periodic Reporting  
(Proposal Thirteen)

Docket No. RM2015-7

ORDER DIRECTING UNITED PARCEL SERVICE, INC. TO FILE  
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND SUSPENDING REPLY COMMENT DEADLINE

(Issued April 9, 2015)

*Supplemental information.* On March 18, 2015, United Parcel Service, Inc. (UPS) filed a motion seeking access to a "crosswalk" file that links masked ZIP Codes to actual ZIP Codes in the Postal Service's large Form 3999 data base.<sup>1</sup> The Postal Service opposes the UPS Motion for Information Request.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Motion of United Parcel Service, Inc. for Issuance of Information Request Relevant to Proposal Thirteen, March 18, 2015 (UPS Motion for Information Request).

<sup>2</sup> See Answer of the United States Postal Service in Opposition to UPS Motion Requesting Issuance of an Information Request, March 30, 2015. See also Motion of United Parcel Service, Inc. for Leave to File Reply to United States Postal Service Opposition to UPS Motion Requesting Issuance of an Information Request Related to Proposal Thirteen, April 2, 2015; United Parcel Service Reply to United States Postal Service Opposition to UPS Motion Requesting Issuance of an Information Request Related to Proposal Thirteen, April 2, 2015 (UPS Reply).

UPS seeks the crosswalk file to "stress test" the results of the alternate model against a broader set of data and to assist with other matters, such as further developing the appropriate methodology for distributing attributable costs to individual products under its model. UPS Motion for Information Request at 3. UPS does not address how long it may need to review the requested file and to prepare the results, but asserts that granting an opportunity for further submissions based on the new data should not interfere with the Postal Service's objective of incorporating new city carrier costing into the 2015 Annual Compliance Review.<sup>3</sup> At the same time, UPS also suggests that a new model "could just as easily be adopted in the following year" given the absence of a statutory deadline and the importance of reaching the right result. UPS Reply at 5-6.

The Commission directs UPS to file supplemental information estimating the date by which it anticipates it could complete its review of the requested file and prepare the results of that review if the UPS Motion for Information Request were to be granted. Such an estimate will facilitate an informed decision on the impact that a grant of UPS's motion could have on the Commission's processing of the Postal Service's Proposal Thirteen. The supplemental information is due no later than April 14, 2015.

*Suspension of date for filing reply comments.* The April 15, 2015 date for filing reply comments in this case is suspended pending resolution of the Motion for Information Request.

*It is ordered:*

1. United Parcel Service, Inc. is directed to file the supplemental information referred to in the body of this Order no later than April 14, 2015.

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<sup>3</sup> The Commission noted the Postal Service's anticipated implementation date in the order initiating this docket. See Order No. 2294, Notice and Order on Petition for Rulemaking (Proposal Thirteen), December 18, 2014, at 3 stating: "[t]he Postal Service anticipates implementing this methodology change as the basis for FY 2015 reporting of city carrier street time costs."

2. The April 15, 2015 date for filing reply comments in this docket is suspended.

By the Commission.

Ruth Ann Abrams  
Acting Secretary