

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

Before Commissioners:

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

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail
Priority Mail Contract 153

Docket No. MC2016-17

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail Contract 153 (MC2016-17)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2016-23

NOTICE AND ORDER CONCERNING THE ADDITION OF PRIORITY MAIL
CONTRACT 153 TO THE COMPETITIVE PRODUCT LIST

(Issued November 23, 2015)

I. INTRODUCTION

In accordance with 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 39 CFR 3020.30 *et seq.*, the Postal Service filed a formal request and associated supporting information to add Priority Mail Contract 153 to the competitive product list.¹

¹ Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Priority Mail Contract 153 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing (Under Seal) of Unredacted Governors' Decision, Contract, and Supporting Data, November 20, 2015 (Request).

The Postal Service contemporaneously filed a redacted contract related to the proposed new product under 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3) and 39 CFR 3015.5. Request, Attachment B.

To support its Request, the Postal Service filed a copy of the contract, a copy of the Governors' Decision authorizing the product, proposed changes to the Mail Classification Schedule, a Statement of Supporting Justification, a certification of compliance with 39 U.S.C. 3633(a), and an application for non-public treatment of certain materials. It also filed supporting financial workpapers.

II. NOTICE OF COMMISSION ACTION

The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2016-17 and CP2016-23 to consider the Request pertaining to the proposed Priority Mail Contract 153 product and the related contract, respectively.

The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service's filings in the captioned dockets are consistent with the policies of 39 U.S.C. 3632, 3633, or 3642, 39 CFR part 3015, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. Comments are due no later than December 1, 2015. The public portions of these filings can be accessed via the Commission's website (<http://www.prc.gov>).

The Commission appoints Curtis E. Kidd to serve as Public Representative in these dockets.

III. ORDERING PARAGRAPHS

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2016-17 and CP2016-23 to consider the matters raised in each docket.

2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Curtis E. Kidd is appointed to serve as an officer of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public in these proceedings (Public Representative).
3. Comments are due no later than December 1, 2015.
4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this Order in the *Federal Register*.

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble
Secretary