

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

COMPETITIVE PRODUCT PRICES
PRIORITY MAIL CONTRACT 44 (MC2013-2)
NEGOTIATED SERVICE AGREEMENT

Docket No. CP2013-2

**MOTION OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF**
(December 11, 2015)

The United States Postal Service hereby moves for temporary relief, to allow the existing contract in this docket to remain in effect for thirty (30) additional days. The existing contract is set to expire on December 19, 2015, pursuant to PRC Order No. 2816. As noted in the Postal Service's previous motion for relief, dated November 12, 2015, the individual with responsibility for signing this contract on behalf of the customer unexpectedly traveled out of the country on other business. Unfortunately, this individual has remained out of the country over the past month, and only just returned this week. Therefore, the contract has still not been signed by the customer, even though the parties have mutually agreed in principle on the prices and terms for the successor contract.

Nevertheless, the Postal Service has been assured that the signed contract will be returned to the Postal Service in the next few days. Therefore, the Postal Service respectfully requests that the Commission grant an additional thirty (30) day extension to allow the existing contract to remain in effect, until such time as the Commission has an opportunity to complete its review of the successor contract. Thus, the proposed

extension would only last for a finite and short period of time. The Postal Service regrets the need for this additional motion, but in this instance the circumstances were out of the Postal Service's control.

In conclusion, for the reasons discussed above, and in consideration of the customers' business continuity, the Postal Service hereby moves for temporary relief to allow the existing contract to remain on the competitive products list for thirty additional days.

Respectfully submitted,

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