

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 166

Docket No. MC2016-40

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail Contract 166 (MC2016-40)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2016-49

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF DEADLINE TO RESPOND TO CHAIRMAN'S
INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1 AND EXTENDING COMMENT DEADLINE

(Issued December 29, 2015)

The Postal Service seeks to add a new product identified as Priority Mail Contract 166 to the competitive product list.¹ On December 17, 2015, the Commission established January 7, 2016, as the date to submit comments in this docket.² On

¹ Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Priority Mail Contract 166 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing (Under Seal) of Unredacted Governors' Decision, Contract, and Supporting Data, December 15, 2015 (Request).

² Order No. 2884, Notice and Order Concerning the Addition of Priority Mail Contract 166 to the Competitive Product List, December 17, 2015.

December 18, 2015, CHIR No. 1 was issued to clarify the Postal Service's request and directed the Postal Service to respond by December 28, 2015.³

On December 28, 2015, the Postal Service filed a motion requesting to extend the deadline to respond to CHIR No. 1 to January 5, 2016.⁴ The Postal Service states that it will not be able to respond by December 28, 2015, because of "the holidays, the complexity of the requests, the obligation to file the Annual Compliance Report on December 29, and the absence during the next several days of key individuals needed to prepare responses." *Id.* at 1.

Because the requested extension will facilitate the development of a more complete record and will not prejudice any person, the Commission grants the Motion. To provide interested persons an opportunity to consider the response to CHIR No. 1 in their comments, the date to file comments is extended to January 12, 2016.

It is ordered:

1. The Postal Service Motion, filed December 28, 2015, is granted.
2. The Postal Service shall respond to CHIR No. 1 by January 5, 2016.
3. The Commission extends the date for filing comments from no later than January 5, 2016, to no later than January 12, 2016.

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble
Secretary

³ Chairman's Information Request No. 1 and Notice of Filing Under Seal, December 18, 2015 (CHIR No. 1). The Commission also issued an order designating a substitute Public Representative on December 18, 2015. Order No. 2898, Notice and Order Designating Substitute Public Representative, December 18, 2015.

⁴ Motion of the United States Postal Service for an Extension of Time to Respond to Chairman's Information Request No. 1, December 28, 2015 (Motion).