

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

Before Commissioners:

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

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail
Priority Mail Contract 167

Docket No. MC2016-41

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail Contract 167 (MC2016-41)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2016-50

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO EXTEND COMMENT DEADLINE

(Issued January 22, 2016)

The Postal Service seeks to add a new product identified as Priority Mail Contract 167 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 The comment deadline was subsequently extended to January 22, 2016 in Order No. 3013.³

¹ Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Priority Mail Contract 167 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing (Under Seal) of Unredacted Governors' Decision, Contract, and Supporting Data, December 15, 2015.

² Order No. 2889, Notice and Order Concerning the Addition of Priority Mail Contract 167 to the Competitive Product List, December 17, 2015.

³ Order No. 3013, Order Extending Comment Deadline, January 8, 2016. See also Order No. 2951, Order Granting Extension of Deadline to Respond to Chairman's Information Request No. 1 and Extending Comment Deadline, December 29, 2015. Order No. 2951 extended the comment deadline to January 12, 2016.

On January 22, 2016, the Public Representative filed a motion seeking to “extend the comment deadline to two additional business days after the filing of the complete responses to CHIR No. 2.”⁴ He states that the Postal Service’s responses will be “essential to the evaluation of the agreement” and that “[e]xtension of the comment deadline should not delay the proceeding, nor should any participant be adversely affected by extension of comment deadline.” Motion at 2.

The Postal Service filed its Responses to CHIR No. 2 on January 22, 2016.⁵ Because the requested extension will provide time to comment on the Responses to CHIR No. 2, 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 Responses to CHIR No. 2 in their comments, the date to file comments is extended to January 26, 2016.

It is ordered:

1. The Public Representative Motion, filed January 22, 2016, is granted.
2. The Commission extends the date for filing comments from no later than January 22, 2016, to no later than January 26, 2016.

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble
Secretary

⁴ Motion of the Public Representative for an Extension of Time to File Comments, January 22, 2016, at 2 (Motion). The Postal Service’s response to CHIR No. 2 was due no later than January 20, 2016. Chairman’s Information Request No. 2 and Notice of Filing Under Seal, January 14, 2016 (CHIR No. 2).

⁵ Responses of the United States Postal Service to Chairman’s Information Request No. 2, with Portions Filed Under Seal, January 22, 2016 (Responses to CHIR No. 2). See *also* Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses to Chairman’s Information Request No. 2, January 22, 2016.