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If a person other than Mr. Juan Blanco requests a hearing, that person shall set forth with particularity the manner in which his interest is adversely affected by this Order and shall address the criteria set forth in 10 CFR 2.309(d).

If a hearing is requested by Mr. Juan Blanco or a person whose interest is adversely affected, the Commission will issue an Order designating the time and place of any hearings. If a hearing is held, the issue to be considered at such hearing shall be whether this Order should be sustained. Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.202I(2)(i), Mr. Juan Blanco, or any other person adversely affected by this Order, may, in addition to demanding a hearing, at the time the answer is filed or sooner, move the presiding officer to set aside the immediate effectiveness of the Order on the ground that the Order, including the need for immediate effectiveness, is not based on adequate evidence but on mere suspicion, unfounded allegations, or error. In the absence of any request for hearing, or written approval of an extension of time in which to request a hearing, the provisions specified in Section IV above shall be final 20 days from the date of this Order without further order or proceedings.

If an extension of time for requesting a hearing has been approved, the provisions specified in Section IV shall be final when the extension expires if a hearing request has not been received. *An answer or a request for hearing shall not stay the immediate effectiveness of this order.*

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Dated this 11th day February 2008.

Cynthia A. Carpenter,

Director, Office of Enforcement.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 52-012; 52-014]

South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Co.; South Texas Project Units 3 and 4, Order

The Commission is issuing a Notice Withdrawing the Hearing Notice Regarding the Application for a Combined Operating License for South Texas Project Units 3 and 4. This has the effect of indefinitely postponing the deadline by which petitions to intervene must be filed. The Commission will

republish a notice of opportunity for hearing on the Application when the staff is informed, as requested in its January 30, 2008, correspondence to Mr. Mark Burnett, Vice President Regulatory Affairs, that South Texas Nuclear Operating Company is prepared to support a review of the complete COL Application. The Petitions to Suspend the Hearing Notice Regarding the Application for a Combined License for South Texas Project Units 3 and 4 filed by the Sustainable Energy and Economic Development Coalition ("SEED Coalition"), the Nuclear Information and Resource Service, Inc. ("NIRS"), Beyond Nuclear, Inc. and the Sierra Club, Inc., on February 8, 2008, and filed by the Southwest Workers Union, on February 11, 2008, are thereby rendered moot.

This Order is issued pursuant to my authority under 10 CFR 2.346(a).

It is so ordered.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 13th day of February 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Annette L. Vietti-Cook,

Secretary of the Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2008-2013, NUREG-1614, Volume 4; Availability

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is announcing the availability of NUREG-1614, Volume 4, "U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, FY 2008-2013 Strategic Plan," dated February, 21, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tamara Trocki, Division of Planning, Budget, and Analysis, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; Telephone 301-415-7439.

ADDRESSES: NUREG-1614, Volume 4, and other publicly available documents related to this notice are available for electronic viewing on public computers in the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The PDR's reproduction services contractor will provide copies of publicly available documents for a fee.

Publicly available documents related to this notice, including public

comments received, are also available electronically through the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, the public can gain entry into the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. If there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the (PDR) Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737 or by e-mail to PDR@nrc.gov.

A free single copy of NUREG-1614, Volume 4, to the extent of availability, may be requested by writing to the Office of the Chief Information Officer, Reproduction and Distribution Services Section, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Printing and Graphics Branch, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Some publications in the NUREG series available through the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections> are updated regularly and may differ from the last printed version.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NRC has developed a new strategic plan for FY 2008-2013 that updates the agency's current strategic plan. The Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2008-2013 describes the strategies and means by which the NRC intends to accomplish its mission, which is to "license and regulate the Nation's civilian use of byproduct, source, and special nuclear materials to ensure adequate protection of public health and safety, promote the common defense and security, and protect the environment."

The Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2008-2013 has two goals: Safety and Security. The agency's safety goal is to ensure adequate protection of public health and safety and the environment. Specific strategies are identified in the strategic plan to achieve the agency's safety strategic outcomes: prevent the occurrence of reactor accidents, inadvertent criticality events, releases of radioactive materials that result in significant radiation exposures, fatalities or adverse environmental impacts.

The agency's Security goal is to ensure adequate protection in the secure use and management of radioactive materials. To achieve this goal, specific strategies are identified in the strategic plan to achieve the agency's security strategic outcome to prevent any instances where licensed radioactive materials are used domestically in a manner hostile to the United States.

In addition to these two strategic goals, the agency has three Organizational Excellence Objectives:

Openness, Effectiveness, and Operational Excellence. These objectives support the agency's activities to achieve its Safety and Security goals as well as to function as a strong, independent, stable, and predictable regulator.

The final version of NUREG-1614, Volume 4, will be released on February 15, 2008.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 13th day of February, 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Leslie W. Barnett,

Director, Division of Planning, Budget, and Analysis, Office of the Chief Financial Officer.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. R2008-1; Order No. 59]

Administrative Practice and Procedure; Postal Service

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice and order.

SUMMARY: The Commission is conducting a formal review of the Postal Service's planned rate adjustments for essentially all products in the market dominant category, which includes the First-Class stamp, and limited classification revisions. The adjustments are based on a statutory price cap. A public comment period extends through March 3, 2008. This will be followed by a Commission determination on the consistency of the adjustments with certain considerations. The new rates and the classification revisions are expected to take effect May 12, 2008.

DATES: March 3, 2008: Deadline for public comments.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, 202-789-6820 and stephen.sharfman@prc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory History

1. 72 FR 63662 (November 9, 2007).
2. 72 FR 64155 (November 15, 2007).
3. 73 FR 6426 (February 4, 2008).

I. Overview

A. Background

On February 11, 2008, the United States Postal Service (Postal Service) filed with the Postal Regulatory

Commission (Commission) a document captioned United States Postal Service Notice of Price Adjustment (Adjustment Notice).¹ This document was filed pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3622(d)(1)(C) and part 3010 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. It announces the Postal Service's intention to adjust rates for all products in its market dominant business category on May 12, 2008, in amounts that are, on average, within a 2.9 percent statutory price cap for each class. The Commission notes that the average change, in some instances, includes significant percentage changes within a class. Moreover, in limited situations, prices for some products in some classes do not change.

The Adjustment Notice also addresses several limited classification revisions affecting single-piece domestic International Mail and identifies a limited classification change affecting Periodicals. The International Mail changes are largely designed to mirror the domestic structure. The Periodicals change reflects a provision in the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act of 2006 (PAEA) extending a rate preference to certain mailers.

B. Context

The filing of the Adjustment Notice marks the first instance in which the Postal Service is exercising its authority, under the PAEA and related Commission rules, to make an annual adjustment in rates for products in the market dominant category under a new streamlined, index-based approach. The market dominant product category is one of two business lines established in the PAEA. It includes First-Class Mail letters and sealed parcels; First-Class Mail cards; Periodicals; Standard Mail; Single-piece Parcel Post; Media Mail; Bound Printed Matter; Library Mail; Special Services; and Single-piece International Mail. 39 U.S.C. 3621. The other line is the Competitive Products category, which includes Priority Mail; Expedited Mail; Bulk Parcel Post; Bulk International Mail; and Mailgrams.² 39 U.S.C. 3631. Rate and fee adjustments for each business category are governed by different procedures.

¹ See also United States Postal Service Notice of Filing Supplement to Appendix A, *New Prices and Fees*, to Notice of Market-Dominant Price Adjustment (February 12, 2008) *Errata*, February 12, 2008 (Errata). The Errata supplies price charts that were missing from Appendix A in the Postal Service's February 11, 2008 filing for seven non-ancillary special services. The section in this notice on special services provides further details.

² Mailgram service was terminated on August 17, 2006. See *Postal Bulletin* 22192, October 26, 2006, at 5.

C. Statutory Price Cap

The statutory price cap is a new mechanism for adjusting rates for market dominant products, and a key element in the new process for changing postal rates established pursuant to the PAEA. It represents a weighted annual increase in the CPI-U for the past 12 months, calculated under Commission rules implementing the PAEA.³ The price cap was expressly adopted in the PAEA and, in conjunction with a short review period, replaces a much longer, more litigious, trial-type ratemaking approach that was in place since 1970.

II. Impact on Mailers

Summary. The planned adjustments, summarized in terms of percentage change at the class level, are: First-Class Mail, 2.889 percent; Standard Mail, 2.875 percent; Periodicals, 2.710 percent; Package Services, 2.876 percent; and Special Services, 2.848 percent. Each percentage is below the statutory price cap. Adjustment Notice at 5.

The First-Class stamp. The planned change in the First-Class postage stamp, which is widely used by the general public for eligible mail weighing an ounce or less, is an increase of 1 cent. This raises the rate from its current level of 41 cents to 42 cents. For the second ounce of First-Class single-piece mail, the planned rate goes from 58 cents to 59 cents, on the same basis. *Id.* at 3; Appendix A at 1.

The Forever Stamp. As a result of Docket No. R2006-1, the Postal Service introduced a First-Class Mail "Forever Stamp." The price of this stamp at the time of its introduction was 41 cents, which equated to the Docket No. R2006-1 price for the first ounce of single-piece First Class Mail. This stamp will continue to be sold for 41 cents until May 12, 2008, and will cover postage for mailing single-piece First-Class Mail even after the anticipated price increase to 42 cents on May 12, 2008. However, on and after May 12, under the planned adjustments, a new purchase of a Forever Stamp will be at the 42-cent rate. These stamps, like the original issue, will continue to cover the mailing of one-ounce single-piece First-Class Mail, regardless of future increases in the underlying rate.

III. Unused Rate Adjustment Authority

The Postal Service notes that it has no unused rate adjustment authority available for use in this price change. It further states that while it was its

³ The references to CPI-U is to the Department of Labor's Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.