

Day	Event/activity
30	Deadline for NRC staff reply to motions to reverse NRC staff determination(s).
40	(Receipt +30) If NRC staff finds standing and need for SUNSI, deadline for NRC staff to complete information processing and file motion for Protective Order and draft Non-Disclosure Affidavit. Deadline for applicant/licensee to file Non-Disclosure Agreement for SUNSI.
A	If access granted: Issuance of presiding officer or other designated officer decision on motion for protective order for access to sensitive information (including schedule for providing access and submission of contentions) or decision reversing a final adverse determination by the NRC staff.
A + 3	Deadline for filing executed Non-Disclosure Affidavits. Access provided to SUNSI consistent with decision issuing the protective order.
A + 28	Deadline for submission of contentions whose development depends upon access to SUNSI. However, if more than 25 days remain between the petitioner's receipt of (or access to) the information and the deadline for filing all other contentions (as established in the notice of hearing or opportunity for hearing), the petitioner may file its SUNSI contentions by that later deadline.
A + 53	(Contention receipt +25) Answers to contentions whose development depends upon access to SUNSI.
A + 60	(Answer receipt +7) Petitioner/Intervenor reply to answers.
>A + 60	Decision on contention admission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act; Meetings

Agency Holding the Meetings:
Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATES: Weeks of January 4, 11, 18, 25, and February 1, 8, 2010.

Place: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

Status: Public and Closed.

Week of January 4, 2010

Thursday, January 7, 2010

12:15 p.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (Tentative).

a. *PPL Bell Bend, LLC* (Combined License Application for Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant), LBP-09-18 (Ruling on Standing and Contention Admissibility) (Tentative).

b. *Shieldalloy Metallurgical Corp.* (License Amendment Request for Decommissioning the Newfield Site), Shieldalloy's Amended Motion for Stay Pending Judicial Review of Commission Action Transferring Regulatory Authority Over Newfield, New Jersey Site to the State of New Jersey (Oct. 14, 2009) (Tentative).

Week of January 11, 2010—Tentative

Tuesday, January 12, 2010

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response—Programs, Performance, and Future Plans (Public Meeting) (Contact: Marshall Kohen, 301-415-5436).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

1:30 p.m. Briefing on Threat Environment Assessment (Closed—Ex. 1).

Week of January 18, 2010—Tentative

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

9:30 a.m. Briefing on the NRC Enforcement and Allegations Programs (Public Meeting) (Contact: Shahram Ghasemian, 301-415-3591).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of January 25, 2010—Tentative

Tuesday, January 26, 2010

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation—Programs, Performance, and Future Plans (Public Meeting). (Contact: Quynh Nguyen, 301-415-5844).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of February 1, 2010—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of February 1, 2010.

Week of February 8, 2010—Tentative

Tuesday, February 9, 2010

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Regional Programs—Programs, Performance, and Future Plans (Public Meeting). (Contact: Richard Barkley, 610-337-5065).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

*The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings, call (recording)—(301) 415-1292. Contact person for more information: Rochelle Bavol, (301) 415-1651.

The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/policy-making/schedule.html>.

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Dated: December 30, 2009.

Rochelle C. Bavol,

Office of the Secretary.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. MC2010-17 and CP2010-18; Order No. 373]

New Postal Product

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recently-filed Postal Service request to add Global Direct Contracts 1 to the Competitive Product List. The Postal Service has also filed a related contract. This notice addresses procedural steps associated with these filings.

DATES: Comments are due: January 6, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>. Commenters who cannot submit their views electronically should contact the person identified in "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" by telephone for advice on alternatives to electronic filing.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- I. Background
- II. Notice of Filing
- III. Ordering Paragraphs

I. Background

On December 23, 2009, the Postal Service filed a notice, pursuant to 39 CFR 3015.5, announcing that it has entered into an additional Global Direct contract, and seeks to add it as Global Direct Contracts 1 to the Competitive Product List.¹ The Postal Service states that the instant contract is functionally equivalent to previously submitted Global Direct Contracts and is supported by Governors' Decision No. 08-10, which establishes prices and classifications not of general applicability for Global Direct Contracts.² The Request has been assigned Docket No. MC2010-17.

The Postal Service contemporaneously filed a contract related to the proposed competitive product classification pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3) and 39 CFR 3015.5. The contract has been assigned Docket No. CP2010-18. In Order No. 153, the Commission approved the individual Global Direct Contracts in Docket Nos. MC2009-9, CP2009-10, and CP2009.11.³ In Order No 166, the

¹ Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing of Functionally Equivalent Global Direct Contracts Negotiated Service Agreement, and Request to Add Global Direct Contracts 1 to the Competitive Products List, December 23, 2009 (Notice).

² Governors' Decision No. 08-10, July 16, 2008, filed in Docket No. MC2008-7, establishes prices and classifications not of general applicability for Global Direct and Global Bulk Economy Contracts, as well as for Global Plus Contracts 2, which combines Global Direct and Global Bulk Economy services. As part of Governors' Decision No. 08-10, the Postal Service submitted a description of Global Direct Contracts which it describes as "contracts giving a rate for mail acceptance within the United States and transportation to a receiving country with the addition by the customer of appropriate foreign postage charged by the receiving country." Notice, Attachment 4; see also *id.* at 2, n.3, *citing* PRC Order No 153 at 9 (regarding indirect postage payment).

³ Docket Nos. MC2009-9, CP2009-10 and CP2009-11, Order Concerning Global Direct Contracts Negotiated Service Agreements, December 19, 2008 (Order No. 153).

Commission confirmed that individual Global Direct Contracts, such as Docket No. CP2009-18, are functionally equivalent and should be included in the Global Direct Contracts product on the Competitive Product List.⁴ The Postal Service also urges that analysis under 39 U.S.C. 3642(b) is "unnecessary here, because such an exercise would merely replicate the Commission's determination in Docket No. MC2009-9." Notice at 2-3.

The instant contract. The Postal Service filed the instant contract pursuant to 39 CFR 3015.5. The contract contemplates a rate for mail acceptance within the United States and transportation to a receiving country so as to enable a private mailer to directly use certain mailing services of Canada Post for deposit in that country's domestic mailstream for delivery to an ultimate destination outside of the United States. The Notice urges that the instant agreement is functionally equivalent to the previously submitted agreements, and that it is the immediate successor to the agreement that the Commission found to be functionally equivalent and eligible for inclusion in the Global Direct Contracts product in Docket No. CP2009-11. *Id.* The contract term is 1-year from the effective date and may be automatically renewed unless the parties agree otherwise. *Id.* at 3-4. Since the instant contracts take the place of its immediate predecessor and one of the original baseline Global Direct Contracts, the contract in Docket No. CP2009-11, the Postal Service requests that the instant contract be treated as the baseline for future functional equivalency comparisons. *Id.* at 2. It further requests that Global Direct Contracts 1 be added to the Competitive Product List, particularly as future Global Direct contracts are more likely to resemble this contract. *Id.* In support of its Notice, the Postal Service filed the following five attachments:

1. Attachment 1—a redacted copy of the contract;
2. Attachment 2—a certified statement required by 39 CFR 3015.5(c)(2);
3. Attachment 3—an application for non-public treatment of materials to maintain the contract and supporting documents under seal;
4. Attachment 4—a redacted copy of Governors' Decision No. 08-10, which establishes prices and classifications for Global Direct, Global Bulk Economy, and Global Plus Contracts; and
5. Attachment 5—a statement of supporting justification from Docket No.

⁴ See Notice at 2, n.3, *citing* Docket No. CP2009-18, Order Concerning Additional Global Direct Contracts Negotiated Service Agreement, January 9, 2009, at 5, 6 (Order No. 166).

CP2009-11, which is included by reference for the instant contract to satisfy 39 CFR 3020.32.

In the Statement of Supporting Justification, Frank Cebello, Executive Director, Global Business Management, asserts that each contract will cover its attributable costs, make a positive contribution to institutional costs, and increase contribution toward the requisite 5.5 percent of the Postal Service's total institutional costs. Notice, Attachment 5, at 2. Thus, Mr. Cebello contends there will be no issue of subsidization of competitive products by market dominant products as a result of these contracts. *Id.* The Postal Service will notify the customer of the effective date of the contract within 30 days after receiving all regulatory approvals. *Id.* at 3-4. The related contract at issue under Docket No. CP2009-11 expires on January 11, 2010. Notice at 2. The Postal Service also explains that a redacted version of the supporting financial documentation is included with this filing as a separate Excel file. *Id.* at 3.

Functional equivalency. The Postal Service asserts that the instant Global Direct contract is functionally equivalent to Global Direct Contracts previously submitted under Docket Nos. CP2009-10, CP2009-11, CP2009-18 and CP2009-29 because it shares "similar, if not the same," cost and market characteristics and therefore the contracts should be classified as a single product. *Id.* at 5.⁵ Further, it contends that the contract fits within the Mail Classification Schedule language for Global Direct Contracts included with Governors' Decision No. 08-10, since "these agreements are 'functionally equivalent in all pertinent respects.'" *Id.* at 5, *citing* PRC Order No. 85 at 8.

In addition, the Postal Service contends that the contract is in accordance with Order No. 153, which established the individual Global Direct Contracts in Docket Nos. CP2009-10 and CP2009-11 as functionally equivalent and added the contracts to the Competitive Product List as one product under the Global Direct classification. It further asserts that the "instant Global Direct Contract is fundamentally similar to that in Docket No. CP2009-11," except for differences relating to the new array of offerings by Canada Post, national treatment as to

⁵ Global Direct services provide customers with a price for mail acceptance within the United States and transportation to a receiving country of mail that bears the receiving country's indicia and meets the preparation requirements for that particular type of mail established by the receiving country.

preparation, the term, confidentiality, and price changes.⁶

Specifically, some of the distinctions reflected in the Notice include (a) Allowing mailers to use Canada Post's domestic Incentive Letter Mail Service if the requisite preparatory tasks are performed by the mailer; (b) requiring notice to comply with confidentiality rules; (c) modifying the term to a full year; (d) clarifying locations for tendering qualifying items; and (e) reflecting the price changes of Canada Post. *Id.* at 5. The Postal Service maintains that the differences do not affect the fundamental service being offered or the essential structure of the contracts. *Id.* Baseline treatment. The Postal Service requests that the instant contract be considered the baseline contract for future functional equivalency comparisons of future Global Direct contracts "[b]ecause the Postal Service expects the text of any future Global Direct Contracts to resemble the instant contract more closely than those in Docket No. CP2009-10 and CP2009-11." *Id.* The Postal Service has made similar requests for a new baseline contract in recent filings.⁷ The Commission intends to address the issue in light of all distinct characteristics in a subsequent order.

II. Notice of Filing

The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2010-17 and CP2010-18 for consideration of the Notice pertaining to the proposed Global Direct Contracts 1 Negotiated Service Agreement product and the related contract, respectively. In keeping with practice, these dockets are addressed on a consolidated basis for purposes of this order; however, future filings should be made in the specific docket in which issues being addressed pertain.

Interested persons may submit 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 3020 subpart B. Comments are due no later than January 6, 2010. The public portions of these filings can be accessed via the

⁶ The Postal Service confirms that it "is providing the customer with price-based incentives to commit to large amounts of mail volume or postage revenue for Global Direct, a competitive service for delivery of Letter Post items bearing foreign postage and indicia." *Id.* at 4; *see also id.*, Attachment 5, at 2.

⁷ *See, e.g.*, Docket No. CP2009-50, Order Granting Clarification and Adding Global Expedited Package Services 2 to the Competitive Product List, August 28, 2009, at 3; Docket No. CP2009-62, Order Concerning Inbound Direct Entry Contracts 1 Negotiated Service Agreement, September 4, 2009, at 7.

Commission's Web site <http://www.prc.gov>.

The Commission appoints Jeremy Simmons to serve as Public Representative in these dockets.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2010-17 and CP2010-18 for consideration of the matters raised in each docket.

2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Jeremy Simmons is appointed to serve as officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in these proceedings.

3. Comments by interested persons in these proceedings are due no later than January 6, 2010.

4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this order in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove,

Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Community Express Pilot Program

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

ACTION: Notice of extension of the Community Express Pilot Program.

SUMMARY: This notice extends the Community Express Pilot Program in its current form through December 31, 2010. Based upon the significant restructuring of this pilot program implemented in October 2008, the Agency seeks to extend the pilot to obtain sufficient experience to better evaluate the pilot's accomplishments. This notice also reminds SBA's participating lenders of the statutory limitation on the number of loans SBA can process under a pilot program.

DATES: The Community Express Pilot Program is extended through December 31, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: V. Anita Jacobs, Office of Financial Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416; Telephone (202) 205-6557; valoris.jacobs@sba.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Community Express Pilot Program was established in 1999 based on the Agency's SBA Express Program. Lenders approved for participation in Community Express are authorized to

use the expedited loan processing procedures in place for SBA Express, in order to specifically support lending to distressed or underserved markets. In addition, participating lenders must arrange and, when necessary, pay for appropriate management and technical assistance for their Community Express borrowers. To encourage lenders to make these loans, SBA provides its full 75-85 percent guaranty, rather than the 50 percent guaranty the Agency provides under SBA Express. The maximum loan amount under this pilot program is \$250,000.

In June 2008, SBA published a notice in the **Federal Register** to extend the existing pilot program through September 30, 2008 and to notify the public of SBA's plan to significantly restructure the Community Express Pilot Program effective October 1, 2008. (73 FR 36950, June 30, 2008) The restructured pilot program was extended through December 31, 2009 (73 FR 36950). Extension of this restructured pilot for an additional year will allow SBA time to better evaluate the results of the program changes implemented in October 2008.

Because Community Express is a pilot program, SBA must ensure that it complies with Section 7(a)(25) of the Small Business Act, which prohibits the Agency from approving under any 7(a) pilot loan program more than 10 percent of the total number of 7(a) loans SBA approves in any fiscal year. During the early months of Fiscal Year 2008, SBA received loan guaranty requests under Community Express at a volume that would have exceeded this statutory limit by fiscal year end, if unchecked. As a result, during Fiscal Year 2008, and continuing through Fiscal Year 2009 and into Fiscal Year 2010, the SBA has taken steps to limit the number of Community Express loans accepted each month. In addition to keeping the number of Community Express loans within the statutory limitation, this action has helped enhance competition, diversify SBA lending, and control SBA's risk under the pilot program. SBA will continue to closely monitor the number of Community Express loans approved and make adjustments as needed.

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 636(a)(25); 13 CFR 120.3.

Grady B. Hedgespeth,

Director, Office of Financial Assistance.

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