85–87. These data quality issues include missing data in the bundle breakage dataset for bundles without a full-service Intelligent Mail barcode (IMb) and the lack of ability to identify where in the mail processing flow a bundle breakage occurs. See Flats Operations Study Report at 85–87. Addressing these additional issues would allow the Postal Service to identify trends and causes of bundle breakage within the handling and processing of bundles, which were previously lacking in the data.

Accordingly, the Commission will seek more information from the Postal Service to enable evaluation of the Flats Plan prior to issuing its approval. The Commission also will invite comments from other interested persons on whether the Flats Plan is consistent with applicable statutory requirements.

VI. Notice and Comment

Interested persons may submit comments on the Flats Plan no later than January 5, 2024. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Manon A. Boudreault is designated as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding.

VII. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The News Media Alliance’s Motion for Acceptance of Comments, filed October 16, 2023, is granted.

2. The Association for Postal Commerce’s Motion for Leave to File Comments, filed October 18, 2023, is granted.

3. Comments on the Flats Plan are due no later than January 5, 2024.

4. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Manon A. Boudreault is appointed to serve as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding.

5. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this notice in the Federal Register.

By the Commission.

Erica A. Barker,
Secretary.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION


New Postal Products

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recent Postal Service filing for the Commission’s consideration concerning a negotiated service agreement. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

DATES: Comments are due: November 29, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission’s Filing Online system at http://www.prc.gov. Those who cannot submit comments electronically should contact the person identified in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section by telephone for advice on filing alternatives.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202–789–6820.

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I. Introduction

The Commission gives notice that the Postal Service filed request(s) for the Commission to consider matters related to negotiated service agreement(s). The request(s) may propose the addition or removal of a negotiated service agreement from the Market Dominant or the Competitive product list, or the modification of an existing product currently appearing on the Market Dominant or the Competitive product list.

Section II identifies the docket number(s) associated with each Postal Service request, the title of each Postal Service request, the request’s acceptance date, and the authority cited by the Postal Service for each request. For each request, the Commission appoints an officer of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public in the proceeding, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505 (Public Representative). Section II also establishes comment deadline(s) pertaining to each request.

The public portions of the Postal Service’s request(s) can be accessed via the Commission’s website (http://www.prc.gov). Non-public portions of the Postal Service’s request(s), if any, can be accessed through compliance with the requirements of 39 CFR 3011.301.

The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service’s request(s) in the captioned docket(s) are consistent with the policies of title 39. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern Market Dominant product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3622, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3030, and 39 CFR part 3040, subpart B. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern Competitive product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3632, 39 U.S.C. 3633, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3035, and 39 CFR part 3040, subpart B. Comment deadline(s) for each request appear in section II.

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On November 15, 2023, the Postal Service filed notice with the Commission concerning changes in rates and classifications of general applicability for Competitive products. The Postal Service represents that, as required by 39 CFR 3035.102(b) and 39 CFR 3035.104(b), the Notice includes an explanation and justification for the changes, the effective date, and a schedule of the changed rates. Notice at 1. The changes are scheduled to take effect on January 21, 2024.

Attached to the Notice is Governors’ Decision No. 23–5, which states the new prices are in accordance with 39 U.S.C. 3632 and 3633 and 39 CFR 3035.102–.104. The Governors’ Decision provides an analysis of the Competitive products’ classification changes intended to demonstrate that the changes comply with 39 U.S.C. 3633 and 39 CFR part 3035. Governors’ Decision No. 23–5 at 1. The Attachment to the Governors’ Decision No. 23–5 sets forth the classification and price changes and includes draft Mail Classification Schedule (MCS) language for Competitive products of general applicability.

In addition, the Notice includes a non-public annex showing FY 2024 projected volumes, revenues, attributable costs, contribution, and cost coverage for each product. See Notice at 1. The Postal Service also filed supporting forecast data and price adjustment calculations for each affected product as required by Order No. 1062. Id.

The Notice also includes an application for non-public treatment of the unredacted version of the annex to the Governors’ Decision, as well as the supporting materials for the data. Id. at 1–2.

1 USPS Notice of Changes in Rates and Classifications of General Applicability for Competitive Products, November 15, 2023 (Notice).
2 USPS Notice of Changes in Rates and Classifications of General Applicability for Competitive Products (Governors’ Decision No. 23–5), at 1 (Governors’ Decision No. 23–5).
3 See United States Postal Service Notice of Errata to Application for Nonpublic Treatment

Supplementary Information: