§ 3020.53 Docket and notice.

The Commission will establish a docket for each request to modify the market dominant list or the competitive product list, promptly publish notice of the request in the Federal Register, and post the filing on its Web site. The notice shall include:

(a) The general nature of the proceeding;
(b) A reference to legal authority to which the proceeding is to be conducted;
(c) A concise description of the proposals for changes in the Mail Classification Schedule;
(d) The identification of an Office of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public in the docket;
(e) A specified period for public comment; and
(f) Such other information as the Commission deems appropriate.

§ 3020.54 Postal Service notice and reply.

The Secretary of the Commission shall forward to the Postal Service a copy of the request. Within 28 days of the filing of the request, the Postal Service shall provide its preliminary views in regard to the request. The Postal Service may include suggestions for appropriate Commission action in response to the request.

§ 3020.55 Review.

The Commission shall review the request, the Postal Service reply, and any public comment to determine whether the proposed modification to the market dominant and competitive product lists complies with applicable statutory requirements and the Commission’s rules, and whether the proposed modification is consistent with the position of the Postal Service as expressed in its reply. The Commission shall either:

(a) Approve the request to modify the market dominant and competitive product lists, but only to the extent the modification is consistent with the position of the Postal Service;
(b) Reject the request;
(c) Institute further proceedings to consider the request to modify the market dominant and competitive product lists; or
(d) Direct other action as the Commission may consider appropriate.

§ 3020.56 Further proceedings.

If the Commission determines that further proceedings are necessary, a conference shall be scheduled to consider the merits of going forward with the request. Upon conclusion of the conference, the Commission shall promptly issue a ruling to:

(a) Provide for a period of discovery to obtain further information;
(b) Schedule a hearing on the record for further consideration of the request;
(c) Explain the reasons for not going forward with formal proceedings; or
(d) Direct other action as the Commission may consider appropriate.

Subpart D—Proposal of the Commission To Modify the Product Lists Described Within the Mail Classification Schedule

§ 3020.70 General.

The Commission, of its own initiative, may propose a modification to the market dominant product list or the competitive product list provided within the Mail Classification Schedule. For purposes of this part, modification shall be defined as adding a product to a list, removing a product from a list, or transferring a product from one list to the other list.

§ 3020.71 Contents of a proposal.

A proposal to modify the market dominant product list or the competitive product list shall: