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Office of Personnel Management.

**Janice R. Lachance,**

*Director.*

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**POSTAL RATE COMMISSION**

[Docket No. MC2000-1]

**Technical and Settlement Conference; Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Postal Rate Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of technical and settlement conference.

**SUMMARY:** An initial technical and settlement conference has been scheduled in docket no. MC2000-1. The conference will discuss potential settlement. It also will address diversion of mail, the accuracy of estimated net revenue effects, and the possibility, frequency, and level of detail of data collection during the experiment.

**DATES:** The technical and settlement conference has been scheduled for October 27, 1999. For time and other dates, see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

**ADDRESSES:** The conference will be held in the Commission's hearing room at 1333 H Street, NW., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20268-0001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ted P. Gerarden, director of the Commission's Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA), at 202-789-6838.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The OCA hereby gives notice of a technical and settlement conference to discuss the request [for an experimental mail classification] filed on September 27, 1999, by the United States Postal Service (Postal Service). On September 30, 1999, the Commission issued a notice of the request and provided until October 25, 1999, for parties to file notices of intervention. The Commission also encouraged participants to explore settlement "at the earliest opportunity following the deadline for intervention and,

preferably, prior to the prehearing conference," which is scheduled for October 28 at 11 a.m.<sup>1</sup> Accordingly, OCA is scheduling a technical and settlement conference for October 27, 1999, at 2 p.m.

The Postal Service has expressed a desire for expedition.<sup>2</sup> In that spirit, OCA has held informal discussions with the Postal Service better to understand the Service's proposal and to indicate questions of interest to OCA. It is desirable that other parties also utilize informal inquiry methods to define the issues, further the exchange of information and explanations between the Postal Service and the participants, and facilitate settlement.<sup>3</sup> The Postal Service and other interested parties are requested to have individuals present at the conference who are familiar with the following issues:<sup>4</sup>

1. The extent of potential diversion of mail volume from Standard Mail (A) to the proposed "ride-along" classification.

2. The accuracy of estimated net revenue effects of the proposed "Ride-Along" classification.

3. The possibility, frequency, and level of detail of reporting data during the course of the experiment.

The informal technical and settlement conference will be held October 27, 1999, beginning at 2 p.m. in the Commission's hearing room at 1333 H St., NW., Washington, DC. All interested persons are welcome to attend the conference, but all such persons are placed on notice that attendance at the conference will not confer party status. Any interested person must file pursuant to Rule 20 or 20a of the Commission's rules in order to intervene or to obtain limited participation status in the proceeding.

The Secretary of the Commission is requested to arrange for publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

**Authority:** 39 U.S.C. 3623.

<sup>1</sup> Order No. 1264, Notice and Order on Filing of Request for Establishment of Experimental "Ride-Along" Classification (and Flat Rate) for Periodicals. Ordering paragraphs 6 and 9 designated OCA to represent the interests of the general public and to act as settlement coordinator in this proceeding. 64 FR 54693-54695.

<sup>2</sup> Motion of the United States Postal Service for Expedition and for Waiver of Certain Provisions of Rule 64(h), September 27, 1999, at 2-4.

<sup>3</sup> In addition to informal methods, the Commission has authorized parties to conduct formal discovery upon intervention in the proceedings. Order No. 1264 at 11.

<sup>4</sup> Pending the outcome of settlement negotiations, OCA requests that the Commission treat this list of issues as fulfilling the requirements of paragraph 4 of Order No. 1264.

Dated: October 15, 1999.

**Margaret P. Crenshaw,**  
*Secretary.*

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**POSTAL RATE COMMISSION****Notice of Visit**

**AGENCY:** Postal Rate Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of visit.

**SUMMARY:** Pitney Bowes employees will visit the Commission to present a briefing at 10:00 a.m. on Pitney Bowes' "fast forward" system and joint Pitney Bowes/Postal Service activities. This visit has been scheduled as a follow-up to address questions raised by an earlier Commission visit to Pitney Bowes facilities.

**DATES:** The visit is scheduled for Monday, October 25, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Postal Rate Commission (Conference Room), 1333 H Street, NW., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20268-0001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Margaret P. Crenshaw, Secretary, Postal Rate Commission, Suite 300, 1333 H Street, NW., Washington, DC 20268-0001 (202) 789-6840.

Dated: October 15, 1999.

**Margaret P. Crenshaw,**  
*Secretary.*

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**POSTAL RATE COMMISSION**

[Docket No. RM99-4; Order No. 1268]

**Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records**

**AGENCY:** Postal Rate Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of alterations to Privacy Act system of records.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is amending its system of records. The amendments update the longstanding system and establish a second system. These changes will ensure consistency with the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended.

**DATES:** The amendments take effect November 22, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Send communications regarding this notice to the attention of Margaret P. Crenshaw, Secretary, Postal Rate Commission, 1333 H Street NW., Washington, DC 20268-0001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, Postal Rate Commission, at 202-789-6820.