

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATE: Weeks of October 15, 22, 29, November 5, 12, 19, 2001.

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

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of October 15, 2001

Thursday, October 18, 2001

9 a.m. Meeting with NRC Stakeholders—Progress of Regulatory Reform (Public Meeting) (Location—Two White Flint North Auditorium)

Week of October 22, 2001—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of October 22, 2001.

Week of October 29, 2001—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of October 29, 2001.

Week of November 5, 2001—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of November 5, 2001.

Week of November 22, 2001—Tentative

Thursday, November 15, 2001

2 p.m. Discussion of Intragovernmental Issues (Closed-Ex. 1)

Week of November 19, 2001—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of November 19, 2001.

* 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: David Louis Gamberoni (301) 415-1651.

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Dated: October 11, 2001.

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Technical Coordinator, Office of the Secretary.

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POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

[Order No. 1326; Docket No. MC2001-3]

Ride-Along Experiment Extension

AGENCY: Postal Rate Commission.

ACTION: Notice and order on extension of ride-along experiment.

SUMMARY: The Postal Service seeks a limited extension of the ride-along experiment, which allows qualifying Standard mail to travel for a flat fee when included in a host Periodicals publication. This would allow the experiment to continue without disruption while permanent ride-along status is considered in the pending omnibus rate case. The Commission invites public participation, makes several procedural rulings, and notes the possibility that this case may be quickly settled.

DATES: Notices of intervention and answers to a motion for waiver of certain filing rules are due on or before October 19, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Send correspondence to the attention of Steven W. Williams, acting secretary, Postal Rate Commission, 1333 H Street NW., suite 300, Washington, DC 20268-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, 202-789-6820.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Authority To Consider the Service's Request

39 U.S.C. 3623.

B. Procedural History

1. A notice and order (No. 1308) concerning the underlying experimental docket (No. MC2000-1) appeared at 66 FR 15775.

2. This notice and order (No. 1326) was issued October 5, 2001.

C. Background

On September 28, 2001, the U.S. Postal Service filed a request with the Postal Rate Commission for an extension of the ride-along experiment, which is now underway pursuant to docket no. MC2000-1. The experiment allows one qualifying Standard mail piece to "ride along" with a host Periodicals publication for a flat fee of 10 cents.

Without the extension, the experiment would expire on February 26, 2002, while the Service's request for permanent ride-along status (and a flat fee of 12.4 cents) is pending as part of the recently-filed omnibus rate and classification case (docket no. R2001-1). To address this situation, the Service proposes changing the expiration date to coincide with implementation of related rate schedules (or Periodicals rates generally) resulting from the omnibus case decision. Request of the United States Postal Service for a recommended decision on extension of the experimental ride-along classification for Periodicals, September 28, 2001 (request). The request was filed pursuant to chapter 36 of the Postal Reorganization Act, 39 U.S.C. 3602 *et seq.* It affects domestic mail classification schedule (DMCS) section 443.1a and rate schedules 421 (footnote 12) and 423 (footnote 5).

In support of its request, the Service has filed the prepared direct testimony of witness Koroma (USPS-T-1). Request, attachment A. This testimony incorporates by reference witness Koroma's testimony (USPS-T-44) in the omnibus case. The Service also has filed a motion seeking waiver (to the extent applicable) of Commission rules 54 and 64; a proposed stipulation and agreement; and a related notice. Motion of the United States for waiver of rules, September 28, 2001; Stipulation and Agreement, September 28, 2001; Notice of United States Postal Service filing of proposed stipulation and agreement, September 28, 2001 (notice).

Potential for expedition, including settlement. The Service's notice indicates that the limited nature of the proposed change lends itself to exploration of the possibility of settlement, and states that it has filed the stipulation and agreement to encourage parties to consider expeditious resolution. It further suggests that parties contact Postal Service counsel with questions or with signature pages for the stipulation and agreement. Notice at 1. Similarly, the Service's request indicates that it does not expect this proposal to be controversial; cites the interest of