the exigency request. Id. at 7–8. It says results in its current ACR filing show that the cost coverage problem continues to exist and remains systemic. Id. at 8. It also says that even if it achieves its most optimistic efficiency enhancements, it does not foresee that such enhancements, combined with annual rate increases within the statutory price cap, will result in Periodicals, Standard Mail Flats, and Standard Mail NFMs/Parcels reaching full attributable cost coverage. Id. Product-by-product costs, revenues, and volumes. With limited exceptions, cost, revenues, and volumes for all market dominant products of general applicability are shown directly in the FY 2010 CRA or ICRA. The exceptions are International Reply Coupon Service, International Business Reply Mail, and Negotiated Service Agreements. Id. at 10.

Service performance. The Postal Service notes that the Commission issued rules on periodic reporting of service measurement and customer satisfaction in FY 2010. Responsive information appears in USPS–FY10–29, Id. at 11–12. The Postal Service says it set aggressive on-time targets of 90 percent or above for all market dominant products and, overall, has been successful in continuously improving these scores. It asserts that its targets have already been met or exceeded for some products and in some districts, but says there are several instances where target scores have not yet been met at the national level. Specific reasons for these results are discussed in USPS–FY10–29, Id. at 12.

Customer satisfaction. The FY 2010 ACR discusses the Postal Service’s transition to a new system for assessing customer experience; describes the new methodology and changes in reporting categories; presents a table with survey results; and addresses why the FY 2010 scores cannot be compared to previous years. Id. at 12–16.

Product analysis and other information. The FY 2010 ACR includes a detailed analysis of each market dominant product, including domestic Negotiated Service Agreements entered into during FY 2010. Id. at 16–50. It also presents information responsive to 39 U.S.C. 3652(b) on worksharing discounts. Id. at 50–63.

Competitive products. The Postal Service says that transitional issues that pertained in FY 2007 and FY 2008 with respect to the applicable requirements of title 39 no longer existed in FY 2009, and none affect this filing. Id. at 63. It generally discusses product-by-product analysis, noting where detailed information can be found, and discusses available FY 2010 data with reference to the competitive product pricing standards of 39 U.S.C. 3633. Id. at 63–64.

Market tests; nonpostal services. The Postal Service also addresses the two market tests conducted during FY 2010 and nonpostal services. Id. at 68–72. With respect to the latter, it notes that the Commission rule requiring the ACR to include information on costs, volumes, and revenues was not adopted until late in FY 2009. The Postal Service was limited in what it could provide in the FY 2009 ACR, and it says it has attempted to improve its reporting in this ACR, but it considers the information it is providing as generally comparable to what it previously provided. Id. at 70–71.

III. Procedural Steps

Statutory requirements. Section 3653 of title 39 requires the Commission to provide interested persons with an opportunity to comment on the ACR and to appoint a Public Representative to represent the interests of the general public. The Commission hereby solicits public comment on the Postal Service’s FY 2010 ACR and on whether any rates or fees in effect during FY 2010 (for products individually or collectively) were not in compliance with applicable provisions of chapter 36 of title 39 (or regulations promulgated thereunder). Commenters addressing market dominant products are referred in particular to the applicable requirements (39 U.S.C. 3622(d) and (e) and 3626); objectives (39 U.S.C. 3622(b)); and factors (39 U.S.C. 3622(c)). Commenters addressing competitive products are referred to in 39 U.S.C. 3633.

The Commission also invites public comment on the cost coverage matters the Postal Service addresses in its filing; service performance results; levels of customer satisfaction achieved; progress toward goals established in the annual Comprehensive Report; and such other matters that may be relevant to the Commission. Comments on these topics will, inter alia, assist the Commission in developing appropriate recommendations to the Postal Service related to the protection or promotion of the public policy objectives of title 39.

Access to filing. The Commission has posted the publicly available portions of the FY 2010 ACR filing on its Web site (http://www.prc.doc).

Comment deadlines. Comments by interested persons are due on or before February 2, 2011. Reply comments are due by February 17, 2011. The Commission, upon completion of its review of the FY 2010 ACR, public comments, and other data and information submitted in this proceeding, will issue its ACD. Those needing assistance filing electronically may contact the Docket Section supervisor at 202–789–6846 or via e-mail at PRC-DOCKETS@prc.gov.

Inquiries about access to non-public materials should also be directed to the Docket Section.

Public representative. The Commission appoints Emmett Rand Costich as the public representative in this proceeding. Kenneth R. Moeller and Diane K. Monaco, of the Commission’s Office of Accountability and Compliance, will provide technical assistance.

IV. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:


2. Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 505, the Commission appoints Emmett Rand Costich as officer of the Commission (Public Representative) in this proceeding to represent the interests of the general public.

3. Comments on the United States Postal Service’s FY 2010 Annual Compliance Report to the Commission, including the Comprehensive Statement of Postal Operations and other reports, are due on or before February 2, 2011.

4. Reply comments are due on or before February 17, 2011.

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

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove,
Secretary.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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273–8900.

Pursuant to Section 1543 of the Recovery Act, the RIAP is charged with making recommendations to the Board on actions the Board could take to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse of Recovery Act funds. The purpose of the January 25, 2011 meeting is to allow the RIAP to have an open dialogue, with input from the public, on issues relating to fraud, waste, and abuse of Recovery Act funds. More specifically, the RIAP is interested in obtaining input regarding the following matters:

• Actions the Board can take to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse;
• Transparency of entitlements and tax benefits funded by the Recovery Act;
• The public’s experience with obtaining information from Recovery.gov and how that experience can be improved; and
• Random sampling as a tool for detecting fraud, waste, and abuse.

In keeping with FACRA procedures, members of the public are invited to provide comments to the RIAP. The preference of the RIAP is to have members of the public provide written comments addressing any of the matters listed above no later than January 18, 2011. There will be limited space for this meeting; therefore, members of the public who have submitted written statements addressing matters outlined above will be given priority in attending this meeting and speaking to the RIAP. The next highest priority for attending the meeting and speaking to the RIAP will be those individuals who have signed up in advance by submitting their names via e-mail to the RIAP in advance of the meeting. Members of the public who have submitted written comments and/or who have signed up in advance will be given priority to attend the meeting and be heard first in the order in which their written statements and/or sign-up e-mails were received. Other members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting, space permitting. A time limit will be placed on those members of the public wishing to speak at the meeting, with time allocated in accordance with the number of people who have signed up indicating a desire to speak to the RIAP. The RIAP will make every effort to hear the views of all interested persons. The Chairperson of the RIAP is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, to the Chairperson’s judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. You may submit written comments by mail to 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20006. “RIAP comments” should be written on the envelope. Persons wishing to e-mail their written comments and/or sign up in advance to speak to the RIAP at the meeting should send their written comments and/or names to panel@rafb.gov and write “January 25, 2011 RIAP public comment” in the Subject line.

Ivan J. Flores,
Paralegal Specialist, Recovery Accountability
and Transparency Board.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Public Law 94–409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold a Closed Meeting on Thursday, January 13, 2011 at 2 p.m.

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the Closed Meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters also may be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3), (5), (7), 9(B) and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (5), (7), 9(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the Closed Meeting.

Commissioner Walter, as duty officer, voted to consider the items listed for the Closed Meeting in a closed session.

The subject matter of the Closed Meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 13, 2011 will be:

Institution and settlement of injunctive actions;
Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings;
Adjudistratory matters; and other matters relating to enforcement proceedings.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items.

For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact:
The Office of the Secretary at (202) 551–5400.

Dated: January 6, 2011.

Elizabeth M. Murphy,
Secretary.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Boston Stock Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Amend the Articles of Organization and By-Laws

January 3, 2011.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)1 and Rule 19b–4 2 thereunder, notice is hereby given that on December 20, 2010, The Boston Stock Clearing Corporation (“BSECC”)3 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared primarily by BSECC. BSECC filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act 3 and Rule 19b–4(f)(4) 4 thereunder so that the proposal was effective upon filing with the Commission. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

BSECC proposes to amend its Articles of Organization, By-Laws, and Rules.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, BSECC included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed