

Commission's Web site (<http://www.prc.gov>).

The Commission appoints Malin Moench to serve as Public Representative in these dockets.

### III. Ordering Paragraphs

*It is ordered:*

1. The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2011-19 and R2011-3 for consideration of the matters raised in each docket.

2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Malin Moench is appointed to serve as officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in these proceedings.

3. Comments by interested persons in these proceedings are due no later than February 7, 2011.

4. The Commission directs the Secretary of the Commission to arrange for prompt publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

**Shoshana M. Grove,**  
Secretary.

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

**NAME OF AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** Monday, January 24, 2011 at 11 a.m.

**PLACE:** Commission conference room, 901 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20268-0001.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

Personnel—consideration of senior-level appointment.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

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*Dated:* January 20, 2011.

**Shoshana M. Grove,**  
Secretary.

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. R2011-2; Order No. 653]

### Postal Service Price Adjustment

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is noticing a recently-filed Postal Service request to establish price adjustments for all market dominant classes. This notice addresses procedural steps associated with this filing.

**DATES:** *Comments are due:* February 2, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>. Commenters who cannot submit their views electronically should contact the person identified in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** by telephone for advice on alternatives to electronic filing.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, [stephen.sharfman@prc.gov](mailto:stephen.sharfman@prc.gov) or 202-789-6820.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- I. Introduction
- II. Class-Specific Summary
- III. Preferred Mail
- IV. Mail Classification Schedule Product Description Changes
- V. Commission Action
- VI. Ordering Paragraphs

### I. Introduction

#### A. Background

On January 13, 2011, the Postal Service filed a notice with the Commission announcing price adjustments, effective April 17, 2011, affecting all market dominant classes.<sup>1</sup> The market dominant classes are First-Class Mail, Standard Mail, Periodicals, Package Services, and Special Services. Market dominant international products are also affected.

The Notice asserts that the adjustments reflect price increases for each market dominant class which are equal, on average, to the statutory limitation of 1.741 percent. Slight departures from this percentage at the class level, which are shown in the following table, are generally due to rounding. *Id.* at 8.

TABLE 1—2011 PRICE CHANGE PERCENTAGES

Market dominant class	Percentage change
First-Class Mail .....	1.741
Standard Mail .....	1.739
Periodicals .....	1.741
Package Services .....	1.740
Special Services .....	1.740

*Source:* Adapted from Notice at 5 (Table 3).

<sup>1</sup> See United States Postal Service Notice of Market-Dominant Price Adjustment, January 13, 2011 (Notice).

Notwithstanding the overall percentage limitation at the class level, planned adjustments for certain individual products within a class may differ from the average, sometimes substantially. For example, the price of a stamp for a one-ounce First-Class letter, which is one of the most common postage rates used by the general public, will not increase, but remain at 44 cents. Presorted First-Class Mail will receive higher-than-price cap percentage increases. The Commission strongly encourages interested persons to review the Postal Service's Notice and related filings in their entirety to determine the impact of the planned adjustments and related classification changes.

#### B. Context

*Authority for filing.* The Postal Service filed the Notice pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3622 and part 3010 of the Commission's rules of practice. The introductory part of the Notice addresses several administrative matters, including how the Postal Service plans to ensure widespread publicity about the changes at least 45 days prior to the effective date. *Id.* at 1. Part I of the Notice addresses the applicable annual limitation; identifies accrued unused ("banked") rate adjustment authority available for this adjustment; and calculates the amount of new unused rate adjustment authority generated by this price change. *Id.* at 2-6. Part II addresses the consistency of the planned prices with statutory objectives and factors; considerations related to workshare discounts; and recognition of certain rate preferences. *Id.* at 7-45. Part III discusses related mail classification product description changes. *Id.* at 45-46.

The Notice includes three attachments. Attachment A presents price and mail classification changes. Attachment B presents workshare discount calculations. Attachment C presents price index change calculations. In related filings, the Postal Service submitted workpapers supporting the planned adjustments and a new Schedule of Regular Predictable Price Changes.<sup>2</sup>

#### C. Basis of Planned Adjustments

The Notice announcing the planned adjustments for market dominant classes was filed pursuant to a revised, more streamlined approach to postal ratemaking adopted in 2006.<sup>3</sup> This

<sup>2</sup> United States Postal Service Filing of Updated Schedule of Regular and Predictable Price Changes, January 13, 2011 (Schedule.)

<sup>3</sup> See generally Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act (PAEA) of 2006.