ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recently-filed Postal Service request to add Parcel Select Contract 2 to the competitive product list. This notice addresses procedural steps associated with this filing.

DATES: Comments are due: May 18, 2012.

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 at 202–789–6820.

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I. Introduction

Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 39 CFR 3020.30 et seq., the Postal Service filed a formal request and associated supporting information to add Parcel Select Contract 1 to the competitive product list. The Commission notes there is already a Parcel Select Contract 1 on the competitive product list. See Docket Nos. MC2011–16 and CP2011–53. It is the Commission’s intent to rename the proposed new product Parcel Select Contract 2. Participants may address the name of the new product in their comments.

The Postal Service asserts that Parcel Select Contract 1 is a competitive product “not of general applicability” within the meaning of 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3). Request at 1. The Postal Service states that the explanation and justification for this contract are provided by Governors’ Decision No. 11–6,1 included as Attachment A to the Request.2 The Request has been assigned Docket No. MC2012–16.

The Postal Service contemporaneously filed a contract related to the proposed new product. Id., Attachment B. The contract has been assigned Docket No. CP2012–23. Request. In support of its Request, the Postal Service filed six attachments as follows:

- Attachment A—a redacted copy of Governors’ Decision No. 11–6;
- Attachment B—a redacted copy of the contract;
- Attachment C—a proposed change in the Mail Classification Schedule competitive product list;
- Attachment D—a Statement of Supporting Justification as required by 39 CFR 3020.32;
- Attachment E—a certification of compliance with 39 U.S.C. 3633(a); and
- Attachment F—an application for non-public treatment of materials to maintain redacted portions of the contract and supporting documents under seal.

In the Statement of Supporting Justification, Karen F. Key, Manager, Shipping Products, asserts that the service to be provided under the contract will cover its attributable costs, make a positive contribution to institutional costs, and increase contribution toward the requisite 5.5 percent of the Postal Service’s total institutional costs. Id., Attachment D. Thus, Ms. Key contends there will be no issue of market dominant products subsidizing competitive products as a result of this contract. Id.

Related contract. A redacted version of the specific Parcel Select Contract 2 is included with the Request. Id., Attachment B. The contract will become effective on the later of the day following the date on which the Commission issues all approvals on June 1, 2012. Request at 6. The contract will expire on May 31, 2019 unless, among other things, either party terminates the agreement for convenience upon 6 months’ written notice to the other party. Id. The Postal Service represents that the contract is consistent with 39 U.S.C. 3633(a). Id., Attachment D.

The Postal Service filed much of the supporting materials, including the specific Parcel Select Contract 2, under seal. Id., Attachment F. It maintains that redacted portions of the contract, Governors’ Decision No. 11–6, and related financial information should remain confidential. Id. at 2–3. This information includes the price structure and terms, expected profit, underlying costs and assumptions, cost coverage projections, and customer-related information. Id. at 3.

II. Notice of Filings

The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2012–16 and CP2012–23 to consider the Request pertaining to the proposed Parcel Select Contract 2 product and the related contract, respectively.

Interested persons may submit comments on whether the Postal Service’s filings in the captioned dockets are consistent with the policies of 39 U.S.C. 3632, 3633, or 3642, 39 CFR part 3015, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. Comments are due no later than May 18, 2012. The public portions of these filings can be accessed via the Commission’s Web site (http://www.prc.gov).

The Commission appoints Natalie Rea Ward to serve as Public Representative in these dockets.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2012–16 and CP2012–23 to consider the matters raised in each docket.

2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Natalie Rea Ward is appointed to serve as an 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 May 18, 2012.

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

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove, Secretary.

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POSTAL SERVICE

Product Change—Parcel Select & Parcel Return Service Negotiated Service Agreement

AGENCY: Postal ServiceTM.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Postal Service gives notice of filing a request with the Postal Regulatory Commission to add a domestic shipping services contract to the list of Negotiated Service Agreements in the Mail Classification Schedule’s Competitive Products List.

DATES: May 14, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth A. Reed, 202–268–3179.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States Postal Service© hereby

Stanley F. Mires, Attorney, Legal Policy & Legislative Advice. [FR Doc. 2012–11501 Filed 5–11–12; 8:45 am]

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POSTAL SERVICE

Product Change—Parcel Select Negotiated Service Agreement

AGENCY: Postal Service™.

ACTION: Notice.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review, Request for Comments

Summary: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) is forwarding an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Our ICR describes the information we seek to collect from the public. Review and approval by OIRA ensures that we impose appropriate paperwork burdens.

The RRB invites comments on the proposed collection of information to determine (1) the practical utility of the collection; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden of the collection; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information that is the subject of collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of collections on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments to the RRB or OIRA must contain the OMB control number of the ICR. For proper consideration of your comments, it is best if the RRB and OIRA receive them within 30 days of the publication date.

Section 2 of the Railroad Retirement Act (RRRA) provides for the payment of an annuity to the spouse or divorced spouse of a retired railroad employee. For the spouse or divorced spouse to qualify for an annuity, the RRB must determine if any of the employee’s current marriage to the applicant is valid.

The requirements for obtaining documentary evidence to determine valid marital relationships are prescribed in 20 CFR 219.30 through 219.35. Section 2(e) of the RRRA requires that an employee must relinquish all rights to any railroad employer service before a spouse annuity can be paid. The RRB uses Form G–346 to obtain the information needed to determine whether the employee’s current marriage is valid. Form G–346 is completed by the retired employee who is the husband or wife of the applicant for a spouse annuity. Completion is required to obtain a benefit. One response is requested of each respondent.

In accordance with amended regulation 20 CFR 217.17, the RRB proposes the implementation of Form G–346sum. Proposed Form G–346sum, which will mirror the information collected on Form G–346, will be used when an employee, after being interviewed by an RRB field office staff member “signs” the form using an alternative signature method known as “attestation.” Attestation refers to the action taken by the RRB field office employee to confirm and annotate the RRB’s records of the applicant’s affirmation under penalty of perjury that the information provided is correct and the applicant’s agreement to sign the form by proxy. Completion is required to obtain a benefit. One response is requested of each respondent.

Previous Requests for Comments: The RRB has already published the initial 60-day notice (76 FR 62098 on October 6, 2011) required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). That request elicited no comments.

Information Collection Request (ICR)

Title: Employee’s Certification.

OMB Control Number: 3220–0140.

Form(s) submitted: G–346 and G–346sum.

Type of request: Revision of a currently approved collection of information.

Affected public: Individuals or Households.

Abstract: Under Section 2 of the Railroad Retirement Act, spouses of retired railroad employees may be entitled to an annuity. The collection obtains information from the employee about the employee’s previous marriages, if any, to determine if any impediment exists to the marriage between the employee and his or her spouse.

Changes proposed: The RRB proposes no changes to Form G–346 and the implementation of new Form G–346sum.

The burden estimate for the ICR is as follows:

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Additional Information or Comments: Documents can be obtained from Dana Hickman at (312) 751–4981 or Dana.Hickman@RRB.GOV.