

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

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble,
Secretary.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. MC2016-104 and CP2016-132;
Order No. 3165]

New Postal Product

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recent Postal Service filing concerning the addition of First-Class Package Service Contract 47 to the competitive product list. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

DATES: *Comments are due:* March 28, 2016.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

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I. Introduction

In accordance with 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 39 CFR 3020.30-.35, the Postal Service filed a formal request and associated supporting information to add First-Class Package Service Contract 47 to the competitive product list.¹

The Postal Service contemporaneously filed a redacted contract related to the proposed new product under 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3) and 39 CFR 3015.5. Request, Attachment B.

To support its Request, the Postal Service filed a copy of the contract, a

copy of the Governors' Decision authorizing the product, proposed changes to the Mail Classification Schedule, a Statement of Supporting Justification, a certification of compliance with 39 U.S.C. 3633(a), and an application for non-public treatment of certain materials. It also filed supporting financial workpapers.

II. Notice of Commission Action

The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2016-104 and CP2016-132 to consider the Request pertaining to the proposed First-Class Package Service Contract 47 product and the related contract, respectively.

The Commission invites 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 March 28, 2016. The public portions of these filings can be accessed via the Commission's Web site (<http://www.prc.gov>).

The Commission appoints Lyudmila Y. Bzhilyanskaya to serve as Public Representative in these dockets.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2016-104 and CP2016-132 to consider the matters raised in each docket.

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

3. Comments are due no later than March 28, 2016.

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

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. MC2016-102 and CP2016-130;
Order No. 3166]

New Postal Product

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recent Postal Service filing concerning the addition of Parcel Select Contract 14 to the competitive product list. This notice informs the public of the filing,

invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

DATES: *Comments are due:* March 28, 2016.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

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I. Introduction

In accordance with 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 39 CFR 3020.30-.35, the Postal Service filed a formal request and associated supporting information to add Parcel Select Contract 14 to the competitive product list.¹

The Postal Service contemporaneously filed a redacted contract related to the proposed new product under 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3) and 39 CFR 3015.5. Request, Attachment B.

To support its Request, the Postal Service filed a copy of the contract, a copy of the Governors' Decision authorizing the product, proposed changes to the Mail Classification Schedule, a Statement of Supporting Justification, a certification of compliance with 39 U.S.C. 3633(a), and an application for non-public treatment of certain materials. It also filed supporting financial workpapers.

II. Notice of Commission Action

The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2016-102 and CP2016-130 to consider the Request pertaining to the proposed Parcel Select Contract 14 product and the related contract, respectively.

The Commission invites 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 March 28, 2016. The public portions of these filings can be

¹ Request of the United States Postal Service to Add First-Class Package Service Contract 47 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing (Under Seal) of Unredacted Governors' Decision, Contract, and Supporting Data, March 18, 2016 (Request).

¹ Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Parcel Select Contract 14 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing (Under Seal) of Unredacted Governors' Decision, Contract, and Supporting Data, March 18, 2016 (Request).

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

The Commission appoints Lyudmila Y. Bzhilyanskaya to serve as Public Representative in these dockets.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2016-102 and CP2016-130 to consider the matters raised in each docket.

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

3. Comments are due no later than March 28, 2016.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. MT2016-1; Order No. 3162]

Market Test of Experimental Product-Customized Delivery

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recently-filed Postal Service proposal to conduct a market test of an experimental product called Global eCommerce Marketplace (GeM) Merchant. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

DATES: *Comments are due:* April 11, 2016.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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I. Introduction

In accordance with 39 U.S.C. 3641 and 39 CFR 3035.3, the Postal Service filed notice of its intent to conduct a market test of an experimental product called Global eCommerce Marketplace (GeM) Merchant.¹ GeM Merchant would allow domestic online merchants to offer their international customers the ability, at the time of purchase, to prepay the estimated duties and taxes that the foreign country's customs agency will assess upon the shipment's arrival in the foreign destination. Notice at 2.

II. Background

According to the Postal Service, GeM Merchant constitutes a novel eCommerce service for domestic online merchants and their international customers. *Id.* The Postal Service explains that at the time of purchase, GeM Merchant would allow international customers of domestic online merchants to prepay estimated duties and taxes. *Id.* The Postal Service describes that the domestic merchant will receive the order and will prepare the item for domestic shipment to the GeM processing facility. *Id.* After the item arrives at the GeM processing facility, the Postal Service indicates that it or its supplier will inspect the item for verification and security, as well as prepare and arrange for the item's international shipment and delivery to the overseas address. *Id.*

A. Nature and Scope of the Proposed GeM Merchant Market Test

The Postal Service intends to offer GeM Merchant to a limited number of domestic online merchants through negotiated service agreements (NSAs) that would include, but not be limited to, localization, export compliance, delivery speed, and targeted marketing features. *Id.* Through the market test, the Postal Service plans to assess GeM Merchant's revenue potential, competitive price points, and potential for expansion. *Id.*

The Postal Service asserts that the proposed GeM Merchant market test would likely benefit the public by meeting the demands of domestic online merchants and their international customers. *Id.* at 7. The Postal Service

¹ Notice of the United States Postal Service of Market Test of Experimental Product—Global eCommerce Marketplace (GeM) Merchant Solution and Notice of Filing GeM Merchant Model Contract and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal, March 16, 2016 (Notice).

anticipates that the GeM Merchant product would contribute to the Postal Service's financial stability by generating more outbound international package delivery opportunities. *Id.* at 7–8.

1. Duration

The Postal Service plans to begin the market test on or shortly after April 30, 2016, to run for 2 calendar years. *Id.* at 6. After determining the actual start date, the Postal Service intends to file a notice with the Commission providing the definite start date. *Id.* at 6 n.4. During the 2-year market test period, the Postal Service intends to offer NSAs with standard 1-year terms to domestic online merchants. *Id.* at 6. The Postal Service requests that the Notice serve as an application for extension under 39 U.S.C. 3641(d) for any NSAs that have terms that extend beyond the 2-year period of the market test. *Id.* The Postal Service represents the extension would be limited to satisfying existing contractual obligations and that it would not initiate any new agreements with merchants after the 2-year period of the market test. *Id.* at 6–7. If the market test is successful, the Postal Service states that it would seek permanent product status for GeM Merchant. *Id.* at 7.

2. Geographic Markets

According to the Postal Service, because GeM Merchant is an international product offered to select domestic merchants through NSAs rather than a retail service offered to the American public, the geographical scope analysis under 39 CFR 3035.3(a)(2)(iv) is not germane to this market test. *Id.* The Postal Service represents that it intends to offer GeM Merchant using two processing locations and to execute contracts with few merchants, *i.e.*, less than 1 percent of the overall domestic merchant target segment. *Id.*

3. Revenues

The Postal Service does not request a waiver of the \$10 million, as adjusted for inflation, annual revenue limitation at this time. *Id.*; see 39 U.S.C. 3641(e). If market test revenues approach the cap, the Postal Service states that it will submit an application for exemption from the \$10 million limitation under 39 U.S.C. 3641(e)(2) and 39 CFR 3035.16. Notice at 7.

4. Data Collection Plan

The Postal Service proposes to report the costs, revenues, and volumes associated with each agreement on a