I. Proposed Rule and Response

On October 9, 2020, the Postal Service filed a notice with the PRC in Docket Number R2021–1 of mailing services price adjustments to be effective on January 24, 2021. On October 15, 2020, USPS® published a notification of proposed product and price changes in the Federal Register entitled “International Mailing Services: Proposed Product and Price Changes—CPI” (85 FR 65310). The notification included price changes that the Postal Service would adopt for products and services covered by Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual (IMM®) and published in Notice 123, Price List, on Postal Explorer® at pe.usps.com. The Postal Service received no comments.

II. Decision of the Postal Regulatory Commission

As stated in the PRC’s Order No. 5757, issued on November 18, 2020, in PRC Docket No. R2021–1, the PRC found that the prices in the Postal Service’s notification may go into effect on January 24, 2021. The new prices will accordingly be posted in Notice 123, Price List on Postal Explorer at pe.usps.com.

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POSTAL SERVICE

39 CFR Part 111

New Mailing Standards for Domestic Mailing Services Products

AGENCY: Postal Service®.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: On October 9, 2020, the Postal Service (USPS®) filed a notice of mailing services price adjustments with the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC), effective January 24, 2021. This final rule contains the revisions to Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®) to implement the changes coincident with the price adjustments.

DATES: Effective Date: January 24, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jacqueline Erwin at (202) 268–1589 or Dale Kennedy at (202) 268–6952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 18, 2020, the PRC favorably reviewed the price adjustments proposed by the Postal Service. The price adjustments and DMM revisions are scheduled to become effective on January 24, 2021. Final prices are available under Docket No. R2021–1 (Order No. 5757) on the Postal Regulatory Commission’s website at www.prc.gov.

Seamless Acceptance Incentive

USPS is providing a $.001 per mailpiece incentive. The incentive is available for First-Class Mail, USPS Marketing Mail, Periodicals and Bound Printed Matter mail flats that use the Full-Service Intelligent Mail barcode (IMb) option. The change provides an incentive to the Electronic Documentation (eDoc) submitters (with a Seamless CRID and an Enterprise Payment System Account) for adoption of the program. The incentive would be based on the eDoc submitter’s Customer Registration ID (CRID).

A Seamless Mailer is defined by their CRID’s status in PostalOne® as “Seamless Acceptance.” Note: Seamless Parallel does not qualify for the discount. The proposal is to allow Electronic Documentation (eDoc) submitters to receive a Seamless Acceptance incentive for the pieces that claim Full-Service prices in the mailing, provided the eDoc submitter has an Enterprise Payment account that is used for the incentive.

• The incentive is available to all eDoc submitters with a Seamless Acceptance CRID and an Enterprise Payment account who enroll in PostalOne.

• The incentive is applied to the Enterprise Payment account that corresponds with the permit selected during registration to receive the discount.

• A permit that corresponds with an Enterprise Payment trust or ACH debit account must be selected, in PostalOne®, to receive the incentive. Trust accounts will receive the incentive upon postage statement finalization and ACH debit accounts will receive the incentive as a daily aggregate.

• Mail.dat changes: No impact—Use existing Segment Record’s [seg] “eDoc Sender CRID” field to identify the CRID of the eDoc submitter.

• Mail.XML changes: No impact—Use existing OpenMailingGroupRequest > MailingGroupData > MailingFacilityField to identify the CRID of the eDoc submitter.

• Postage Statement Changes: No impact—For eligible mailings the postage may be paid using any authorized payment account.

• Intelligent Mail for Small Business—Mail Agent CRID (same as Permit Holder CRID) is used as the eDoc Submit CRID.
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 217
[Docket No. 20119–0307]
RIN 0648–BJ24

Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities: Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Ice Roads and Ice Trails Construction and Maintenance Activities on Alaska’s North Slope

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Final rule; notification of issuance of Letters of Authorization.

SUMMARY: Upon application from Hilcorp Alaska, LLC (Hilcorp) and Eni US Operating Co. Inc. (Eni), NMFS is issuing regulations under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) for the taking of small numbers of marine mammals incidental to ice road and ice trail construction, maintenance, and operation in Alaska’s North Slope, over the course of 5 years (2020–2025). These regulations allow NMFS to issue Letters of Authorization (LOA) for the incidental take of marine mammals during the specified construction and maintenance activities carried out during the rule’s period of effectiveness, set forth the permissible methods of taking, set forth other means of effecting the least practicable adverse impact on marine mammal species or stocks and their habitat, and set forth requirements pertaining to the monitoring and reporting of the incidental take.

DATES: Effective December 22, 2020 through November 30, 2025.

ADDRESSES: To obtain an electronic copy of the Hilcorp-Eni’s LOA application or other referenced documents, visit the internet at: https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/permit/incidental-take-authorizations-under-marine-mammal-protection-act. In case of problems accessing these documents, please call the contact listed below (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Shane Guan, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, (301) 427–8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose and Need for Regulatory Action

This final rule establishes a framework under the authority of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.) to allow for the authorization of take of marine mammals incidental to Hilcorp and Eni’s ice roads and ice trails construction and maintenance activities on Alaska’s North Slope.

We received an application from Hilcorp and Eni requesting 5-year regulations and authorization to take marine mammals. Take would occur by Level B harassment, Level A harassment and serious injury and/or mortality incidental to ice roads and ice trails construction and maintenance. Please see Background below for definitions of harassment.

Legal Authority for the Action

Section 101(a)(5)(A) of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1371(a)(5)(A)) directs the Secretary of Commerce to allow, upon request, the incidental, but not intentional taking of small numbers of marine mammals by U.S. citizens who engage in a specified activity (other than commercial fishing) within a specified geographical region for up to 5 years if, after notice and public comment, the agency makes certain findings and issues regulations that set forth permissible methods of taking pursuant to that activity and other means of effecting the “least practicable adverse impact” on the affected species or stocks and their habitat (see the discussion below in the Mitigation section), as well as monitoring and reporting requirements. Section 101(a)(5)(A) of the MMPA and the implementing regulations at 50 CFR part 216, subpart I provide the legal basis for issuing this rule containing 5-year regulations and for any subsequent LOAs. As directed by this legal authority, this rule contains mitigation, monitoring, and reporting requirements.

Summary of Major Provisions Within the Rule

Following is a summary of the major provisions of this rule regarding Hilcorp and Eni’s construction activities. These measures include:

• No initiation of ice road or trail construction if a ringed seal is observed within approximately 46 meters (m) (150 feet (ft)) of the action area after March 1 through May 30 of each year.

• Requiring monitoring of the construction areas to detect the presence of marine mammals before beginning construction activities.

Background

The MMPA prohibits the “take” of marine mammals with certain exceptions. Sections 101(a)(5)(A) and (D) of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.) direct the Secretary of Commerce (as delegated to NMFS) to allow, upon