

**POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION****[Docket No. MC2012–26; Order No. 1368]****Post Office Box Service Enhancements****AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice establishes a docket to provide the Postal Service with a mechanism for an elective filing concerning enhanced services for Post Office Box service. It also addresses the status of a related Complaint proceeding.

**DATES:** *Postal Service's elective filing due:* July 9, 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**

In Docket No. C2012–1, the Associated Mail and Parcel Centers, the National Alliance of Retail and Ship Centers, and 11 additional organizations (Complainants) jointly filed a complaint with the Commission concerning the Postal Service's introduction of enhanced services that it offers to post office box customers at certain retail locations.<sup>1</sup> The Postal Service filed a motion to dismiss the Complaint.<sup>2</sup>

In Order No. 1366, the Commission denied the Motion to Dismiss as to Complainants' claims under sections 3633 and 3642.<sup>3</sup> Because it is not clear whether the Complaint raises material issues of law or fact, and to efficiently and effectively fulfill its statutory responsibilities while affording the Complainants and the Postal Service a forum to air their views, the Commission indicated that it would establish this docket as a placeholder for

<sup>1</sup> Complaint Regarding Postal Service Offering Enhanced Services Product for Competitive PO Boxes, March 15, 2012 (Complaint).

<sup>2</sup> Motion of the United States Postal Service to Dismiss Complaint, April 4, 2012 (Motion to Dismiss).

<sup>3</sup> Docket No. C2012–1, Order No. 1366, Order on Motion to Dismiss Holding Complaint in Abeyance Pending Further Proceeding, June 13, 2012, at 15.

an elective filing by the Postal Service under 39 CFR 3020.30 concerning its enhanced services for Post Office Box service. *Id.* at 14. The Commission ordered that the Complaint be held in abeyance until July 9, 2012, to permit the Postal Service to make the elective filing. Further, it noted that the Complaint would be held in abeyance during the pendency of proceedings in this docket.

**II. Notice of Filings**

The Commission establishes Docket No. MC2012–26 to consider the Postal Service's filing under 39 CFR 3020.30. If the Postal Service elects to make that filing, the Commission will issue an order establishing procedures and appointing a Public Representative.

**III. Ordering Paragraphs**

*It is ordered:*

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. MC2012–26.
2. The Postal Service's elective filing is due on or before July 9, 2012.
3. 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 REGULATORY COMMISSION****[Docket No. CP2012–32; Order No. 1367]****Postal Rate Changes****AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is noticing a recently-filed Postal Service notice of rate and changes affecting Inbound Air Parcel Post at Universal Postal Union (UPU) rates. This notice informs the public of the filing, addresses preliminary procedural matters, and invites public comment.

**DATES:** *Comments are due:* June 21, 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.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Notice of filing.* On June 11, 2012, the Postal Service filed a notice, in accordance with 39 CFR 3015.5, announcing changes in rates not of general applicability for Inbound Air Parcel Post at Universal Postal Union (UPU) rates.<sup>1</sup> The intended effective date is July 1, 2012. *Id.* at 1. The timing of the filing comports with the requirement, in rule 3015.5, that notice of this type of rate change be submitted at least 15 days before the effective date.

*Description of product and approach to rates.* Air parcels are inbound parcels eligible to receive transportation by air, as opposed to surface. *Id.*, Attachment 1 at 1. The rates apply when there is no contractual relationship with the tendering postal operator. The Postal Service asserts that the rates presented here comport with the controlling Governors' Decision No. 09–15 because they are the highest possible inward land rates for which the United States is eligible based on inflation increases and other factors. *Id.* at 1–2.

*Contents of Notice.* The Notice incorporates by reference the Postal Service's explanation of Inbound Air Parcel Post (at UPU Rates) provided in the initial dockets established for consideration of (i) the addition of this product to the competitive product list and (ii) the appropriate ratesetting mechanism.<sup>2</sup> Notice at 2. It includes the following attachments:

- Attachment 1—an application for non-public treatment of certain data and Information, including notice of an alternative approach to identifying third parties with a known proprietary interest in the materials;
- Attachment 2—a redacted copy of Governors' Decision No. 09–15 (issued November 16, 2009) indicating three attachments relevant to it;
- Attachment 3—a redacted version of the new rates; and
- Attachment 4—a certification concerning certain cost and pricing matters, including representations regarding anticipated positive cost coverage for the individual product and the absence of cross-subsidy.

The Notice also includes the Postal Service's assertion that it has established that the new rates for Inbound Air Parcel Post (at UPU Rates)

<sup>1</sup> Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing Changes in Rates Not of General Applicability and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal, June 11, 2012 (Notice). No classification changes are involved. Notice at 2.

<sup>2</sup> See *id.*, Attachment 2; Docket Nos. MC2010–11 and CP2010–11, Order No. 362, Order Adding Inbound Air Parcel Post at UPU Rates to Competitive Product List, December 15, 2009, at 8–9.