

services that might be added to and paid for with these pieces), divided by the total volume of qualifying pieces,” which is then multiplied by the total volume of pieces eligible for credits and 30 percent. *Id.* at 4–5.

The Postal Service estimates the First-Class Mail Growth Incentive “will spur \$259 to \$432 million in growth revenue, pay \$78 to \$130 million in credits, and result in \$91 to \$152 million in net contribution . . . .” *Id.* at 7. The Postal Service estimates that the Marketing Mail Growth Incentive will spur between \$544 and \$907 million in growth revenue, pay \$163 to \$272 million in credits, and result in a net contribution of \$17 to \$28 million. *Id.* at 6–7.

The Postal Service contends that the two incentives are rates of general applicability. *Id.* at 9. Under 39 CFR 3030.122(i), the Postal Service must state whether it elects to generate unused rate adjustment authority. 39 CFR 3030.122(i). The Postal Service states that it does elect to have the two incentives generate unused rate adjustment authority, but that “sufficient billing determinants do not yet exist for the incentives to be included in any percentage calculation for a change in rates.” *Id.* at 8. The Postal Service states that the soonest it would have sufficient billing determinants to include the incentives in a percentage calculation for a change in rates and generate rate adjustment authority would be an omnibus rate case in 2025. *Id.* at 9.

The Postal Service contends that 39 CFR 3030.221, which requires the Postal Service to raise rates for non-compensatory products in compensatory classes by at least 2 percentage points above the average for that class, does not apply in this proceeding because the Postal Service only seeks to lower prices. *Id.* at 12. The Postal Service also contends that applying 39 CFR 3030.221 to rate cases in which the Postal Service seeks to lower rates conflicts with 39 CFR 3030.122(i), which it asserts “expressly contemplates and permits the Postal Service to bring rate cases in which it only lowers prices . . . .” *Id.* at 13.

### III. Initial Administrative Actions

Pursuant to 39 CFR 3030.124(a), the Commission establishes Docket No. R2023–3 to consider the planned Market Dominant price change creating two incentives as well as the related classification changes identified in the Notice. The Commission invites comments from interested persons on whether the Postal Service’s planned price adjustments are consistent with

applicable statutory and regulatory requirements. 39 CFR 3030.125. The applicable statutory and regulatory requirements the Commission considers in its review are the requirements of 39 CFR part 3030, Commission directives and orders, and 39 U.S.C. 3626, 3627, and 3629. 39 CFR 3030.126(b). Comments are due no later than

September 11, 2023. 39 CFR 3030.124(f).

The Postal Service’s filing is available for review on the Commission’s website (<http://www.prc.gov>). Comments and other material filed in this proceeding will be available for review on the Commission’s website unless the information contained therein is subject to an application for non-public treatment. The Commission’s rules on non-public materials (including access to documents filed under seal) appear in 39 CFR part 3011.

Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, the Commission appoints John Avila to represent the interests of the general public (Public Representative) in this proceeding.

### IV. Ordering Paragraphs

*It is ordered:*

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. R2023–3 to consider the planned Market Dominant price change creating two incentives, as well as the related classification changes, identified in the Postal Service’s August 11, 2023 Notice.

2. Comments on the planned price adjustments and related classification changes are due no later than September 11, 2023.

3. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, John Avila is appointed to serve as an officer of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public (Public Representative) in this proceeding.

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

By the Commission.

**Mallory Richards,**

*Attorney-Adviser.*

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### POSTAL SERVICE

#### International Product Change—Priority Mail Express International, Priority Mail International & First-Class Package International Service Agreement

**AGENCY:** Postal Service™.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Postal Service gives notice of filing a request with the Postal Regulatory Commission to add a Priority

Mail Express International, Priority Mail International & First-Class Package International Service contract to the list of Negotiated Service Agreements in the Competitive Product List in the Mail Classification Schedule.

**DATES:** *Date of notice:* August 21, 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher C. Meyerson, (202) 268–7820.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The United States Postal Service® hereby gives notice that, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 3632(b)(3), on August 11, 2023, it filed with the Postal Regulatory Commission a *USPS Request to Add Priority Mail Express International, Priority Mail International & First-Class Package International Service Contract 25 to Competitive Product List*. Documents are available at [www.prc.gov](http://www.prc.gov), Docket Nos. MC2023–221 and CP2023–225.

**Sarah Sullivan,**

*Attorney, Ethics and Legal Compliance.*

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### POSTAL SERVICE

#### First-Class Mail and USPS Marketing Mail Growth Incentive

**AGENCY:** Postal Service™.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Postal Service is providing notice that it has filed with the Postal Regulatory Commission a market dominant price change creating two new incentives.

**DATES:** August 21, 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steven Mills, Director Product Management (Mailing Svcs.) at (202) 268–7433.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On August 11, 2023, the United States Postal Service® filed with the Postal Regulatory Commission a notice of market dominant price change creating two new incentives.

As indicated in the filing, the Postal Service will offer two new incentives designed to promote the growth of First-Class Mail® (the “First-Class Mail Growth Incentive”) and USPS Marketing Mail® (the “Marketing Mail Growth Incentive”). The effective dates of both incentives is January 1, 2024, and the incentive period runs through December 31, 2024. Qualifying Market Dominant products eligible for the incentive are: First-Class Mail Presort Letters, First-Class Mail Presort Cards, First-Class Mail Presort Flats, USPS