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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

**[OMB Control No. 3206-0234; STANDARD
FORM (SF) 1153]**

Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request for Review of a Revised Information Collection

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel
Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review of an expiring information collection. This information collection, "Claim for Unpaid Compensation of Deceased Civilian Employee" (OMB Control No. 3206-0234; SF 1153), is used to collect information from individuals who have been designated as beneficiaries of the unpaid compensation of a deceased Federal civilian employee or who believe that their relationship to the deceased entitles them to receive the unpaid compensation of the deceased employee. OPM needs this information in order to adjudicate the claim and properly assign a deceased Federal civilian employee's unpaid compensation to the appropriate individuals(s).

We received no comments on our 60-day notice on this information collection (SF 1153), published in the **Federal Register** on June 17, 2008.

Approximately 3,000 SF 1153 forms are submitted annually. It takes approximately 15 minutes to complete the form. The annual estimated burden is 750 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Margaret A. Miller by telephone at (202) 606-2699, by FAX at (202) 418-3251, or by e-mail at Margaret.Miller@opm.gov. Please include your mailing address with your request.

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to:

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

**[Docket Nos. MC2008-8 and CP2008-26;
Order No. 111]**

Priority Mail Contract

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recently-filed Postal Service request to add Priority Mail Contract 1 to the Competitive Product List. The Postal Service has also filed a related contract. The notice addresses procedural steps associated with these filings.

DATES: Comments are due October 9, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

On September 23, 2008, the Postal Service filed a formal request pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 39 CFR 3020.30 *et seq.* to add the Priority Mail Contract 1 product to the Competitive Product List. The Postal Service asserts that the Priority Mail Contract 1 product is a competitive product "not of general applicability" within the meaning of 39

U.S.C. 3632(b)(3). This Request has been assigned Docket No. MC2008-8.¹

The Postal Service contemporaneously filed a contract related to the proposed new product pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3) and 39 CFR 3015.5. The contract is assigned Docket No. CP2008-26. The Postal Service represents that the contract fits within the proposed Mail Classification Schedule (MCS) language and is set to expire 2 years from the effective date unless renewed by mutual consent.

Request. The Request is filed pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 39 CFR 3020.30 *et seq.* The Request incorporates (1) A redacted version of the Governors' Decision authorizing the new product; (2) a redacted version of the contract; (3) requested changes in the MCS product list; (4) submission of supporting material under seal; and (5) certification of compliance with 39 U.S.C. 3633(a).² Substantively, it requests that the Priority Mail Contract 1 product be added to the competitive product list. Request at 1-2. The Postal Service states the service to be provided under the contract will cover its attributable costs and make a positive contribution to coverage of institutional costs.³ The Postal Service also asserts that the contract will increase contribution toward the requisite 5.5 percent of the Postal Service's total institutional costs. As a result, the Request contends there will be no issue of subsidization of competitive products by market dominant products. *Id.* at 1.

The Postal Service's filing includes a redacted version of the contract related to the proposed new product pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3) and 39 CFR 3015.5. By its terms, the contract will expire 2 years from the effective date, which is proposed to be 1 day after the Commission approves the required addition of this product to the product list. The Postal Service maintains that the contract pricing and customer-

¹ Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Priority Mail Contract to Competitive Product List and Notice of Establishment of Rates and Class Not of General Applicability, September 23, 2008 (Request).

² Attachment A to the Request consists of the redacted Decision of the Governors of the United States Postal Service on Establishment of Rates and Class Not of General Applicability for Priority Mail Service (Governors' Decision No. 08-11). The Governors' Decision includes an attachment which is an analysis of the proposed Priority Mail Service Contract. Attachment B is the redacted version of the contract. Attachment C shows the requested changes in the MCS product list. Attachment D provides a statement of supporting justification for this Request. Attachment E provides the certification of compliance with 39 U.S.C. 3633(a).

³ See Attachment D which provides information on the impact of the product cost and states that Priority Mail is provided in a highly competitive market which affects the pricing of these products.