STATUS: Public and Closed.

Week of December 5, 2016

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of December 5, 2016.

Week of December 12, 2016—Tentative

Thursday, December 15, 2016

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Equal Employment Opportunity, Affirmative Employment, and Small Business (Public Meeting); (Contact: Larniece McKoy Moore: 301–415– 1942)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—http://www.nrc.gov/.

Week of December 19, 2016—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of December 19, 2016.

Week of December 26, 2016—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of December 26, 2016.

Week of January 2, 2017—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of January 2, 2017.

Week of January 9, 2017—Tentative

Friday, January 13, 2017

9:00 a.m. Briefing on Operator Licensing Program (Public Meeting); (Contact: Nancy Salgado: 301–415–1324)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—http://www.nrc.gov/.

The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. For more information or to verify the status of meetings, contact Denise McGovern at 301–415–0981 or via email at *Denise.McGovern@nrc.gov*.

The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/ public-meetings/schedule.html.

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Dated: December 1, 2016.

Denise L. McGovern,

Policy Coordinator, Office of the Secretary. [FR Doc. 2016–29281 Filed 12–2–16; 11:15 am] BILLING CODE 7590–01–P

POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. CP2017–47; CP2017–48; CP2017–49; and CP2017–50]

New Postal Products

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing recent Postal Service filings for the Commission's consideration concerning negotiated service agreements. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

DATES: Comments are due: December 8, 2016 (Comment due date applies to all Docket Nos. listed above)

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

The Commission gives notice that the Postal Service filed request(s) for the Commission to consider matters related to negotiated service agreement(s). The request(s) may propose the addition or removal of a negotiated service agreement from the market dominant or the competitive product list, or the modification of an existing product currently appearing on the market dominant or the competitive product list.

Section II identifies the docket number(s) associated with each Postal Service request, the title of each Postal Service request, the request's acceptance date, and the authority cited by the Postal Service for each request. For each request, the Commission appoints an officer of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public in the proceeding, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505 (Public Representative). Section II also establishes comment deadline(s) pertaining to each request.

The public portions of the Postal Service's request(s) can be accessed via the Commission's Web site (http://www.prc.gov). Non-public portions of the Postal Service's request(s), if any, can be accessed through compliance with the requirements of 39 CFR 3007.40.

The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service's request(s) in the captioned docket(s) are consistent with the policies of title 39. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern market dominant product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3622, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3010, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern competitive product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3632, 39 U.S.C. 3633, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3015, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. Comment deadline(s) for each request appear in section II.

II. Docketed Proceeding(s)

1. Docket No(s).: CP2017–47; Filing Title: Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing a Functionally Equivalent Global Expedited Package Services 3 Negotiated Service Agreement and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal; Filing Acceptance Date: November 30, 2016; Filing Authority: 39 CFR 3015.5; Public Representative: Kenneth R. Moeller; Comments Due: December 8, 2016.

2. Docket No(s).: CP2017–48; Filing Title: Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing a Functionally Equivalent Global Expedited Package Services 3 Negotiated Service Agreement and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal; Filing Acceptance Date: November 30, 2016; Filing Authority: 39 CFR 3015.5; Public Representative: Kenneth R. Moeller; Comments Due: December 8, 2016.

3. Docket No(s).: CP2017–49; Filing Title: Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing a Functionally Equivalent Global Expedited Package Services 3 Negotiated Service Agreement and Application for NonPublic Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal; Filing Acceptance Date: November 30, 2016; Filing Authority: 39 CFR 3015.5; Public Representative: Katalin K. Clendenin; Comments Due: December 8, 2016.

4. Docket No(s).: CP2017–50; Filing Title: Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing a Functionally Equivalent Global Expedited Package Services 5 Negotiated Service Agreement and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal; Filing Acceptance Date: November 30, 2016; Filing Authority: 39 CFR 3015.5; Public Representative: Katalin K. Clendenin; Comments Due: December 8, 2016.

This notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

Stacy L. Ruble,

Secretary.

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OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

National Science and Technology Council

Framework for a Federal Strategic Plan for Soil Science

ACTION: Notice of Request for Information.

SUMMARY: The Soil Science Interagency Working Group (SSIWG) was established under the National Science and Technology Council to develop a Framework for a Federal Strategic Plan for Soil Science. This Framework aims to establish Federal soil research priorities, ensure availability of tools and information for improved soil management and stewardship, deliver key information to land managers to help them implement soil conserving systems, and inform related policy development and coordination. The Framework identifies current gaps, needs, and opportunities in soil science, and proposes Federal research priorities for the future. The Framework will inform a more comprehensive Federal Strategic Plan that will provide recommendations for improving the coordination of soil science research, as well as the development, implementation, and evaluation of soil conservation and management practices among Federal agencies and between Federal agencies and non-Federal organizations, both domestic and international. This notice solicits public comments on the Framework. The Framework can be accessed at the

following link: https:// www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/ microsites/ostp/SSIWG_Framework_ December 2016.pdf.

DATES: Comments must be received by January 10, 2017 to be considered.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- Email (preferred): science@ ostp.eop.gov. Include [Framework— Soils] in the subject line of the message.
- Fax: (202) 456–6027, Attn: Parker Liautaud.
- *Mail*: Attn: Parker Liautaud, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Eisenhower Executive Office Building, 1650 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20504.

Instructions: Response to this Request for Information (RFI) is voluntary. Responses exceeding 10 pages will not be considered. If responding to a question listed in the SUPPLEMENTARY **INFORMATION** section, please identify the question number(s) in your comment. Responses to this RFI may be posted without change online. The Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) therefore requests that no business proprietary information, copyrighted information, or personally identifiable information be submitted in response to this RFI. Please note that the U.S. Government will not pay for response preparation, or for the use of any information contained in the response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Parker Liautaud, (202) 881–7564, pliautaud@ostp.eop.gov, OSTP.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In preparing comments on the contents of the Framework, you may wish to consider the following questions:

- (1) What research gaps currently exist in soil science and in soil-related questions within the earth and life sciences? Do Federal research programs adequately address these questions and support the necessary research to answer them? If no, where might there be needs for further Federal support?
- (2) In general, does the Framework appropriately characterize the threats to U.S. soil resources? Are there significant challenges to soils that have not been mentioned or addressed in the Framework? Are there aspects to the issues explored that have not been considered, which should be?
- (3) Land Use and Land Cover Change (LULCC): Have the appropriate LULCC issues been discussed and listed? Are there other forms of LULCC that are important (as related to impacts on soils) and have not been considered?
- (4) Land Management Practices: Does the Framework accurately characterize the types of practices that impact

agricultural soils? Does the Framework neglect any relevant issues related to the effects of different land management practices on soil?

(5) Climate and Environmental Change: Does the Framework identify the most important research needs? Does it neglect to mention significant opportunities or needs?

(6) Under each "Challenge and Opportunity" subsection, the Framework defines needs and opportunities to address threats to U.S. soils within four broad categories: Research, Technology, Land Management, and Social Sciences. Do these four categories adequately characterize the appropriate needs and opportunities in the Challenge areas? Are there threats to soils that cannot be addressed through programs that fall into one of these four categories?

(7) Priorities for the Future

- a. Do these priorities adequately reflect the science and technology needs for ensuring the long-term sustainable use of soils in the United States?
- b. Do you believe the list of priorities is comprehensive, or does it neglect one or more important issues?
- c. Are the recommendations achievable?
- d. The process of developing the Framework into a comprehensive plan may involve adding specificity to the recommendations, as well as suggesting Federal mechanisms for fulfilling them. In what way should these recommendations be made more detailed to better protect soils in the future? What metrics, targets, and benchmarks should be used, and in which soil properties?

Stacy Murphy,

Operations Manager.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-79431; File No. SR-Nasdaq-2016-120]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC; Order Instituting Proceedings To Determine Whether To Approve or Disapprove a Proposed Rule Change To Amend Rules 7034 and 7051 To Establish the Third Party Connectivity Service

November 30, 2016.

I. Introduction

On August 16, 2016, the Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange