

would you like the Board to take in this case[.]” has been eliminated, as superfluous.

Part 4—Designation of Representative: As previously noted, the current Part 4, soliciting information about affirmative defenses, has been eliminated. The revised Part 4 replaces the current Part 6, with some slight changes in language.

Part 5—Certification: As previously noted, the current Part 5, providing information about IRA, USERRA, and VEOA appeals, has been eliminated. The revised Part 5 contains the appellant certification, presently included in Part 1 of the form, along with the Privacy Act Statement and Public Reporting Burden.

Appendix A and B: As previously noted, Appendix A provides information regarding affirmative defenses and IRA, USERRA, and VEOA

appeals, as well as the special time limits for filing such appeals, making this material available to those to whom it applies, while otherwise streamlining and simplifying the appeal form itself. Appendix B provides full contact information for each of the Board’s regional offices, together with their corresponding geographic areas.

#### Estimated Reporting Burden

In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, MSPB is soliciting comments on the public reporting burden for this information collection. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to vary from 20 minutes to 4 hours, with an average of 60 minutes per response, including time for reviewing the form and instructions, searching existing data sources,

gathering the data necessary, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

Specifically, MSPB invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of MSPB’s functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of MSPB’s estimate of burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

#### ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN

5 CFR parts	Annual number of respondents	Frequency per response	Total annual responses	Hours per response (average)	Total hours
1201, 1208, and 1209 .....	7,150	1	7,150	1.0	7,150

**William D. Spencer,**

*Clerk of the Board.*

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## NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

### Meeting of National Council on the Humanities

**AGENCY:** National Endowment for the Humanities.

**ACTION:** Notice of Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given that the National Council on the Humanities will meet for the following purposes: To advise the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) with respect to policies, programs and procedures for carrying out his functions; to review applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 951–960, as amended) and make recommendations thereon to the Chairman; and to consider gifts offered to NEH and make recommendations thereon to the Chairman.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday and Friday, November 15–16,

2012, each day from 9:00 a.m. until adjourned.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Old Post Office Building, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20506. See Supplementary Information section for room numbers.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lisette Voyatzis, Committee Management Officer, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Room 529, Washington, DC 20506, or call (202) 606–8322. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter may be obtained by contacting the National Endowment for the Humanities’ TDD terminal at (202) 606–8282. Please provide advance notice of any special needs or accommodations, including for a sign language interpreter.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee meetings of the National Council for the Humanities will be held on November 15, 2012, as follows: the policy discussion session (open to the public) will convene at 9:00 a.m. until approximately 10:30 a.m., followed by the discussion of specific grant applications and programs before the Council (closed to the public) from 10:30 a.m. until adjourned.

Challenge Grants & Federal/State Partnership: Room 507  
Education Programs: Room M–07  
Preservation and Access: Room 415  
Public Programs: Room 421  
Research Programs: Room 315

The Plenary Session of the National Council for the Humanities will convene on November 16, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in Room M–09. The agenda for the morning session (open to the public) will be as follows:

- A. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
- B. Reports
  - 1. Introductory Remarks
  - 2. Presentation by Dr. Barbara Oberg, Professor at Princeton University and Editor of *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*
  - 3. Staff Report
  - 4. Congressional Report
  - 5. Budget Report
  - 6. Reports on Policy and General Matters
    - a. Challenge Grants & Federal/State Partnership
    - b. Education Programs
    - c. Preservation and Access
    - d. Public Programs
    - e. Research Programs

The remainder of the Plenary Session will be for consideration of specific applications and therefore will be closed to the public.

As identified above, portions of the meeting of the National Council on the Humanities will be closed to the public pursuant to sections 552b(c)(4), 552b(c)(6) and 552b(c)(9)(b) of Title 5, U.S.C., as amended. The closed sessions will include review of personal and/or proprietary financial and commercial information given in confidence to the

agency by grant applicants, and discussion of certain information, the premature disclosure of which could significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency action. I have made this determination pursuant to the authority granted me by the Chairman's Delegation of Authority to Close Advisory Committee Meetings dated July 19, 1993.

Dated: October 23, 2012.

**Lisette Voyatzis,**  
Committee Management Officer.

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. MC2013-8 and CP2013-8;  
Order No. 1511]

### New Postal Product

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

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is noticing a recently-filed Postal Service request to add First-Class Package Service Contract 21 to the competitive product list, including a related contract. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

**DATES:** *Comments are due:* November 1, 2012.

**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:** Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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### I. Introduction

In accordance with 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 39 CFR 3020.30 *et seq.*, the Postal Service filed a formal request and associated supporting information to add First-Class Package Service Contract 21 to the competitive product list.<sup>1</sup> The

Postal Service asserts that First-Class Package Service Contract 21 is a competitive product "not of general applicability" within the meaning of 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3). Request at 1. The Request has been assigned Docket No. MC2013-8.

The Postal Service contemporaneously filed a redacted contract related to the proposed new product under 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3) and 39 CFR 3015.5. *Id.* Attachment B. The instant contract has been assigned Docket No. CP2013-8.

*Request.* To support its Request, the Postal Service filed six attachments as follows:

- Attachment A—a redacted copy of Governors' Decision No. 11-6, authorizing the new product;
- Attachment B—a redacted copy of the contract;
- Attachment C—proposed changes to the Mail Classification Schedule competitive product list with the addition underlined;
- Attachment D—a Statement of Supporting Justification as required by 39 CFR 3020.32;
- Attachment E—a certification of compliance with 39 U.S.C. 3633(a); and
- Attachment F—an application for non-public treatment of materials to maintain redacted portions of the contract and related financial information under seal.

In the Statement of Supporting Justification, Dennis R. Nicoski, Manager, Field Sales Strategy and Contracts, asserts that the contract will cover its attributable costs, make a positive contribution to covering institutional costs, and increase contribution toward the requisite 5.5 percent of the Postal Service's total institutional costs. *Id.* Attachment D at 1. Mr. Nicoski contends that there will be no issue of market dominant products subsidizing competitive products as a result of this contract. *Id.*

*Related contract.* The Postal Service included a redacted version of the related contract with the Request. *Id.* Attachment B. The contract is scheduled to become effective on the day that the Commission issues all regulatory approvals. *Id.* at 2. The contract will expire 3 years from the effective date unless, among other things, either party terminates the agreement upon 30 days' written notice to the other party. *Id.* The Postal Service represents that the contract is consistent with 39 U.S.C. 3633(a). *Id.* Attachment D.

The Postal Service filed much of the supporting materials, including the related contract, under seal. *Id.* Attachment F. It maintains that the

redacted portions of the contract, customer-identifying information, and related financial information, should remain confidential. *Id.* at 3. This information includes the price structure, underlying costs and assumptions, pricing formulas, information relevant to the customer's mailing profile, and cost coverage projections. *Id.* The Postal Service asks the Commission to protect customer-identifying information from public disclosure indefinitely. *Id.* at 7.

### II. Notice of Filings

The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2013-8 and CP2013-8 to consider the Request pertaining to the proposed First-Class Package Service Contract 21 product and the related contract, respectively.

Interested persons may submit comments on whether the Postal Service's filings in the captioned dockets are consistent with the policies of 39 U.S.C. 3632, 3633, or 3642, 39 CFR 3015.5, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. Comments are due no later than November 1, 2012. The public portions of these filings can be accessed via the Commission's Web site (<http://www.prc.gov>).

The Commission appoints James F. Callow to serve as Public Representative in these dockets.

### III. Ordering Paragraphs

*It is ordered:*

1. The Commission establishes Docket Nos. MC2013-8 and CP2013-8 to consider the matters raised in each docket.

2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, James F. Callow is appointed to serve as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in these proceedings.

3. Comments by interested persons in these proceedings are due no later than November 1, 2012.

4. 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 Nos. MC2013-11 and CP2013-11;  
Order No. 1514]

### New Postal Product

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

<sup>1</sup> Request of the United States Postal Service to Add First-Class Package Service Contract 21 to the Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing (Under Seal) of Unredacted Governors' Decision, Contract, and Supporting Data, October 22, 2012 (Request).