

a separate licensing and environmental review.

#### *Environmental Impacts of the Alternatives to the Proposed Action*

As an alternative to the proposed action, the NRC staff considered denial of the proposed action (*i.e.*, the “no-action” alternative). Under the no-action alternative, the NRC would not amend the license to authorize construction and operation of new U-Metal Project at the NFS site. The NNSA would not have an option for conversion services to replace the legacy uranium processing equipment temporarily until the new electrorefining technology to purify high-enriched uranium metal is available, nor would NNSA have a redundancy for the purification of uranium metals.

#### *Agencies and Persons Consulted*

On March 29, 2023, the NRC staff provided a copy of the draft EA to the State of Tennessee Division of Radiological Health for its review and comment. In its May 4, 2023, email

response, the State noted that it has no concerns regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official concurred with the EA and FONSI.

The NRC completed consultation under section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act by consulting with the Tennessee State Historic Preservation Office and four Federally recognized Indian Tribes in correspondence dated September 13, 2022. In addition, the NRC staff, consulted with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and determined that the proposed action “may affect, but not likely to adversely affect” five threatened or endangered species, would have “no effect” on one additional species, and would have “no effect” on critical habitat. The NRC staff provided its effect determinations to FWS on August 18, 2023, and FWS concurred with those findings on September 28, 2023. Therefore, consultation has been completed under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.

### III. Finding of No Significant Impact

Based on its review of the license amendment request, in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR part 51, the NRC staff has determined that issuing the requested amendment of SNM-124 to add the U-Metal Project would not significantly affect the quality of human environment. No significant radiological or non-radiological impacts are expected from the proposed action. Therefore, the NRC staff has determined that pursuant to 10 CFR 51.31, “Determinations based on environmental assessment,” preparation of an EIS is not required for the proposed action, and pursuant to 10 CFR 51.32, “Finding of no significant impact,” a FONSI is appropriate. In accordance with 10 CFR 51.32(a)(4), this FONSI incorporates the EA set forth in this notice by reference.

### IV. Availability of Documents

The documents identified in the following table are available to interested persons through ADAMS.

Document description	ADAMS accession No.
Nuclear Fuel Services, License Amendment Application, dated November 18, 2021 .....	ML21327A099.
Nuclear Fuel Services Supplemental Environmental Report, dated November 2021 and revised January 2023.	ML22066B005 and ML23041A236.
Tennessee Department of Environmental Quality email response NRC Request for Review of Draft EA, dated May 4, 2023.	ML23131A361.
Letter to Tennessee State Historic Preservation Office initiating consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, dated September 13, 2022.	ML22098A154.
NRC letters to Tribal nations initiating consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, dated September 13, 2022.	ML22256A146 (package).
Fish and Wildlife Service, Information for Planning and Consultation identifying Threatened or Endangered Species, dated June 6, 2023.	ML23202A166.
NRC letter to FWS regarding informal Section 7 consultation, determinations of effect, dated August 18, 2023.	ML23228A158.
Fish and Wildlife Service concurrence on NRC’s determinations of effect, dated September 28, 2023 .....	ML23272A109.
Final Environmental Assessment for NFS Proposed U-Metal Project, dated October 26, 2023 .....	ML23299A062.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Dated: October 31, 2023.

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. MC2024-29 and CP2024-29]

### New Postal Products

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is noticing a recent Postal Service filing for the Commission’s consideration concerning

a negotiated service agreement. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

**DATES:** *Comments are due:* November 7, 2023.

**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 website (<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 3011.301.<sup>1</sup>

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 3030, and 39 CFR part 3040, 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 3035, and 39 CFR part 3040, subpart B. Comment deadline(s) for each request appear in section II.

## II. Docketed Proceeding(s)

1. *Docket No(s)*: MC2024–29 and CP2024–29; *Filing Title*: USPS Request to Add Priority Mail Express, Priority Mail & USPS Ground Advantage Contract 12 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing Materials Under Seal; *Filing Acceptance Date*: October 30, 2023; *Filing Authority*: 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR 3040.130 through 3040.135, and 39 CFR 3035.105; *Public Representative*: Christopher C. Mohr; *Comments Due*: November 7, 2023.

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

Erica A. Barker,  
Secretary.

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. C2023–6; Presiding Officer's Ruling No. 2]

### Service Standard Changes

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

<sup>1</sup> See Docket No. RM2018–3, Order Adopting Final Rules Relating to Non-Public Information, June 27, 2018, Attachment A at 19–22 (Order No. 4679).

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is providing notice that a hearing and certain procedural events have been scheduled in this proceeding. This notice informs the public of the procedural schedule.

**DATES:** *Notices of intervention are due:* November 13, 2023; *Prehearing Videoconference:* December 4, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, Virtual.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit notices of intervention electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <https://www.prc.gov>. Persons interested in intervening who cannot submit their views electronically should contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202–789–6820. For additional information, Presiding Officer's Ruling No. 2 can be accessed electronically through the Commission's website at <https://www.prc.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202–789–6820.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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#### I. Procedural Schedule

*Intervention.* The deadline to file a notice of intervention pursuant to 39 CFR 3010.142 is November 13, 2023.

*Discovery.* Pursuant to Order No. 6688, the Presiding Officer shall conduct limited discovery for the purpose of determining disputed issues of fact in this case.<sup>1</sup>

At the prehearing videoconference conducted on October 30, 2023, the parties agreed that the discovery process should go forward notwithstanding Complainant's two motions pending before the Commission.<sup>2</sup> After further discussion at the videoconference, Complainant indicated that he would file a notice on the Commission's docket withdrawing his motion for summary judgment without prejudice to refile once the discovery process has been completed. Should the Commission grant the motion for reconsideration or otherwise expand the scope of the issues, the Presiding Officer will take appropriate action.

The parties may request that the Presiding Officer obtain specific discovery, but may not independently propound discovery on each other.

<sup>1</sup> Order Partially Denying United States Postal Service's Motion to Dismiss and Notice of Limited Formal Proceedings, September 18, 2023, at 8 (Order No. 6688).

<sup>2</sup> See Motion to Reconsider Order No. 6688, October 20, 2023; Motion for Oral Argument and Summary Judgment, October 30, 2023.

Order No. 6688 at 8. The parties shall email their initial information requests, encompassing both of the disputed issues of fact, to the Presiding Officer (and cc'ing the other party) no later than Monday, November 6, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.<sup>3</sup> The parties should attach their requests to the email in Microsoft Word format. These proposed information requests need not be filed on the Commission's public docket. Failure to submit an initial information request by the deadline without good cause may result in waiver of the party's right to request discovery in this case.

The Presiding Officer will serve information requests by filing them on the Commission's public docket. Answers to information requests, as well as any objections or claims of privilege, are due by the date and time specified in each information request. Although the Presiding Officer will initially review the proposed information requests and reserves the right to revise or reject any proposed questions on grounds such as relevance, the Presiding Officer's issuance of an information request should not be construed as considering or rejecting any objections or claims of privilege that could conceivably be raised. Procedures for raising good faith objections or claims of privilege, if any, will be set out in the Presiding Officer's information request.

Responses to information requests may be transmitted via email, with the Presiding Officer cc'ed, by the date and time due. Unless otherwise indicated, responses to discovery requests need not be filed on the Commission's public docket.

Further information requests submitted by the parties will be considered by the Presiding Officer only after the parties have submitted their responses to the initial information requests. Pursuant to 39 CFR 3010.170, the Presiding Officer may issue information requests on his own initiative, either independently or along with requests submitted by the parties. The parties are advised, however, that issuance of additional information requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis and is not guaranteed, particularly if the party could have requested the information sought in its initial information request.

*Prehearing videoconference.* A prehearing videoconference is scheduled to be conducted before the Presiding Officer on December 4, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. Among other things, this videoconference will discuss procedures for the presentation of

<sup>3</sup> All times in this Ruling are Eastern Time.