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### The Task

CFSAC is tasked to:

Provide input to the U.S. Coast Guard on all existing regulations, guidance, and information collections that fall within the scope of the Committee's charter.

1. One or more subcommittees/working groups, as needed, will be established to work on this tasking in accordance with the Committee charter and bylaws. The subcommittee(s) shall terminate upon the approval and submission of a final recommendation to the U.S. Coast Guard from the parent Committee.

2. Review regulations, guidance, and information collections and provide recommendations whether an existing rule, guidance, or information collection should be repealed, replaced or modified. If the Committee recommends modification, please provide specific recommendations for how the regulation, guidance, or information collection should be modified. Recommendations should include an explanation on how and to what extent repeal, replacement or modification will reduce costs or burdens to industry and the extent to which risks to health or safety would likely increase.

a. Identify regulations, guidance, or information collections that potentially impose the following types of burden on the industry:

i. Regulations, guidance, or information collections imposing administrative burdens on the industry.

ii. Regulations, guidance, or information collections imposing burdens in the development or use of domestically produced energy resources. "Burden," for the purposes of compliance with Executive Order 13783, means "to unnecessarily obstruct, delay, curtail, or otherwise impose significant costs on the siting, permitting, production, utilization, transmission, or delivery of energy resources."

b. Identify regulations, guidance, or information collections that potentially impose the following types of costs on the industry:

i. Regulations, guidance, or information collections imposing costs that are outdated (such as due to technological advancement), or are no longer necessary.

ii. Regulations, guidance, or information collections imposing costs which are no longer enforced as written or which are ineffective.

iii. Regulations, guidance, or information collections imposing costs tied to reporting or recordkeeping

requirements that impose burdens that exceed benefits. Explain why the reporting or recordkeeping requirement is overly burdensome, unnecessary, or how it could be modified.

c. Identify regulations, guidance, and information collections that the Committee believes have led to the elimination of jobs or inhibits job creation within a particular industry.

3. All regulations, guidance, and information collections, or parts thereof, recommended by the Committee should be described in sufficient detail (by section, paragraph, sentence, clause, etc.) so that it can readily be identified. Data (quantitative or qualitative) should be provided to support and illustrate the impact, cost, or burden, as applicable, for each recommendation. If the data is not readily available, the Committee should include information as to how such information can be obtained either by the Committee or directly by the Coast Guard.

### Public Participation

All meetings associated with this tasking, both full Committee meetings and subcommittee/working groups, are open to the public. A public oral comment period will be held during the July 27, 2017, teleconference. Public comments or questions will be taken at the discretion of the Designated Federal Officer; commenters are requested to limit their comments to 3 minutes. Please contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section, to register as a commenter. Subcommittee meetings held in association with this tasking will be announced as they are scheduled through notices posted to <http://homeport.uscg.mil/cfivsac> and uploaded as supporting documents in the electronic docket for this action, [USCG-2017-0656], at [Regulations.gov](http://Regulations.gov).

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*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Director of Inspections and Compliance.*

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

### 39 CFR Part 3050

[Docket No. RM2017-9; Order No. 3994]

### Periodic Reporting

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is noticing a recent filing requesting that the Commission initiate an informal

rulemaking proceeding to consider changes to an analytical method for use in periodic reporting (Proposal Five). This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

**DATES:** Comments are due: August 16, 2017.

**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.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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#### I. Introduction

On June 30, 2017, the Postal Service filed a petition pursuant to 39 CFR 3050.11 requesting the Commission to initiate an informal rulemaking proceeding to consider proposed changes to an analytical method related to periodic reports.<sup>1</sup> The Petition identifies the proposed analytical method changes filed in this docket as Proposal Five.

#### II. Proposal Five

*Background.* The Postal Service currently uses sampling from the In-Office Cost System (IOCS) to divide accrued city carrier costs between letter routes and special purpose routes (SPRs). Petition at 2.

*Proposal.* The Postal Service proposes to replace IOCS sampling data with more comprehensive census data from the Time and Attendance Collection System (TACS) to determine the share of costs for letter routes and SPRs. *Id.* Proposal Five would not change any other costing methodologies. *Id.* at 3.

*Rationale and impact.* The Postal Service states that use of TACS census data would reduce the variability of statistical estimates of costs by route group due to sampling. *Id.* The Postal Service states further that practical challenges in implementing IOCS sampling may lead to systematic errors in IOCS-based estimates of total costs

<sup>1</sup> Petition of the United States Postal Service for the Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposal Five), June 30, 2017 (Petition).

for carrier work assignments, including route group totals. *Id.* Table 1 purports to show the quarterly impact Proposal Five would have had on costs of the two route groups in FY 2016. *See id.* at 4–5. Table 2 shows the alleged impact on product costs. *See id.* at 5–7.

### III. Notice and Comment

The Commission establishes Docket No. RM2017–9 for consideration of matters raised by the Petition. More information on the Petition may be accessed via the Commission's Web site at <http://www.prc.gov>. Interested persons may submit comments on the Petition and Proposal Five no later than August 16, 2017. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Lawrence Fenster is designated as officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding.

### IV. Ordering Paragraphs

*It is ordered:*

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. RM2017–9 for consideration of the matters raised by the Petition of the United States Postal Service for the Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposal Five), filed June 30, 2017.

2. Comments by interested persons in this proceeding are due no later than August 16, 2017.

3. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, the Commission appoints Lawrence Fenster to serve as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this docket.

4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this order in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

**Ruth Ann Abrams,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

### 39 CFR part 3050

[Docket No. RM2017–8; Order No. 3993]

### Periodic Reporting

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is noticing a recent filing requesting that the Commission initiate an informal rulemaking proceeding to consider changes to an analytical method for use in periodic reporting (Proposal Four).

This document informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

**DATES:** *Comments are due:* August 9, 2017.

**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.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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### I. Introduction

On June 30, 2017, the Postal Service filed a petition pursuant to 39 CFR 3050.11 requesting the Commission to initiate an informal rulemaking proceeding to consider proposed changes to an analytical method related to periodic reports.<sup>1</sup> The Petition identifies the proposed analytical method changes filed in this docket as Proposal Four.

### II. Proposal Four

**Background.** The Postal Service currently uses a Form 3999 (street evaluations) data set, supplemented with information collected as part of the Parcel/Accountable Study (Package Study), to assign city carrier letter route street costs to products.<sup>2</sup>

**Proposal.** Because the activity times collected during the Package Study are not part of an ongoing Postal Service data system, “the parcel and accountables cost pool proportions have essentially remained unchanged since the Package Study was conducted in the spring of 2014.” Petition at 3. Proposal Four would modify the current methodology for assigning city carrier letter route street costs to products by adjusting the letter route street cost pools to more accurately reflect carriers' street activities and thereby more precisely attribute costs to products. *Id.*

<sup>1</sup> Petition of the United States Postal Service for the Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposal Four), June 30, 2017 (Petition).

<sup>2</sup> Petition at 2; *see* Docket No. RM2015–7, Order No. 2792, Order Approving Analytical Principles Used in Periodic Reporting (Proposal Thirteen), October 29, 2015.

**Rationale and impact.** The Postal Service states that Proposal Four would update parcel delivery cost pool proportions to reflect the increase in parcel delivery activity that has taken place since 2014. *Id.* at 6. The Postal Service states further that Proposal Four would reduce the regular delivery street time proportion by the increases of the proportions for in-receptacle parcels and deviation parcels and accountables. *Id.* Proposal Four would also allow cost pool proportions to be easily adjusted annually. *Id.* at 8. To illustrate Proposal Four's potential impact, the Postal Service provides a table for each market dominant product and for aggregate domestic competitive and international mail and services. *Id.* at 8–9.

### III. Notice and Comment

The Commission establishes Docket No. RM2017–8 for consideration of matters raised by the Petition. More information on the Petition may be accessed via the Commission's Web site at <http://www.prc.gov>. Interested persons may submit comments on the Petition and Proposal Four no later than August 9, 2017. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Lawrence Fenster is designated as officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding.

### IV. Ordering Paragraphs

*It is ordered:*

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. RM2017–8 for consideration of the matters raised by the Petition of the United States Postal Service for the Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposal Four), filed June 30, 2017.

2. Comments by interested persons in this proceeding are due no later than August 9, 2017.

3. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, the Commission appoints Lawrence Fenster to serve as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this docket.

4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this order in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

**Ruth Ann Abrams,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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