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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>

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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):* MC2022-79 and CP2022-85; *Filing Title:* USPS Request to Add Priority Mail Express Contract 95 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing Materials Under Seal; *Filing Acceptance Date:* July 6, 2022; *Filing Authority:* 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR 3040.130 through 3040.135, and 39 CFR 3035.105; *Public Representative:* Kenneth R. Moeller; *Comments Due:* July 14, 2022.

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

**Erica A. Barker,**  
*Secretary.*

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**POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[Docket Nos. MC2022-80 and CP2022-86]

**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.

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1. *Docket No(s):* MC2022-80 and CP2022-86; *Filing Title:* USPS Request to Add Priority Mail Express, Priority Mail, First-Class Package Service & Parcel Select Contract 15 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing Materials Under Seal; *Filing Acceptance Date:* July 7, 2022; *Filing Authority:* 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR 3040.130 through 3040.135, and 39 CFR 3035.105; *Public*

<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).

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*Representative:* Jennaca D. Upperman;  
*Comments Due:* July 15, 2022.

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**Erica A. Barker,**  
*Secretary.*

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## OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

### Request for Information; Identifying Critical Data Gaps and Needs To Inform Federal Strategic Plan for PFAS Research and Development

**AGENCY:** Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP).

**ACTION:** Notice of Request for Information (RFI).

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) requests input from all interested parties to identify data gaps in research and development regarding several aspects of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). This information will be used to inform a strategic plan for Federal coordination of PFAS research and development and, in compliance with Section 332 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (FY21 NDAA), the interagency strategy team on PFAS will also develop an implementation plan for Federal agencies.

**DATES:** Interested persons and organizations are invited to submit comments on or before 5:00 p.m. ET, August 29, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested individuals and organizations should submit comments electronically to [JEEP@ostp.eop.gov](mailto:JEEP@ostp.eop.gov) and include "RFI Response: PFAS Strategic Plan" in the subject line of the email. Email submissions should be machine-readable [PDF, Word] and should not be copy-protected. Submissions received after the deadline may not be taken into consideration.

**Instructions:** Response to this RFI is voluntary. Each individual or organization is requested to submit only one response. Commenters can respond to one or many questions. However, responses must not exceed a total of five (5) pages in 12 point or larger font, with a page number provided on each page. Submissions should clearly indicate which questions are being addressed. A bibliography does not count towards the page limit. Responses should include the name of the person(s) or organization(s) filing the response.

Responses containing references, studies, research, and other empirical data that are not widely published should include copies of or electronic links to the referenced materials. Responses containing profanity, vulgarity, threats, or other inappropriate language or content will not be considered.

Comments submitted in response to this notice are subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). No business proprietary information, copyrighted information, or personally identifiable information should be submitted in response to this RFI. Please be aware that comments submitted in response to this RFI, including the submitter's identification (as noted above), may be posted, without change, on OSTP's or another Federal website or otherwise released publicly.

In accordance with FAR 15-202(3), responses to this notice are not offers and cannot be accepted by the U.S. Government to form a binding contract. Additionally, 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:** For additional information, please direct questions to Melanie Buser at [JEEP@ostp.eop.gov](mailto:JEEP@ostp.eop.gov) or 202-456-4444.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**  
*Background:* The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to combatting PFAS pollution and to ensuring access to clean drinking water for all Americans.<sup>1 2</sup> OSTP has been tasked under Section 332 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (FY21 NDAA) (Pub. L. 116-283) with developing a strategic plan for PFAS research and development. This strategic plan should identify "scientific and technological challenges that must be addressed to understand and to significantly reduce the environmental and human health impacts of PFAS and to identify cost-effective—

(i) alternatives to PFAS that are designed to be safer and more environmentally friendly;

(ii) methods for removal of PFAS from the environment; and

(iii) methods to safely destroy or degrade PFAS;" and subsequently to establish "goals, priorities, and metrics for federally funded PFAS research and

<sup>1</sup> FACT SHEET: Biden-Harris Administration Launches Plan to Combat PFAS Pollution | The White House.

<sup>2</sup> FACT SHEET: Biden-Harris Administration Combatting PFAS Pollution to Safeguard Clean Drinking Water for All Americans | The White House.

development that takes into account the current state of research and development."

This strategic plan will be the precursor to an R&D implementation plan for Federal agencies. Two agencies currently have existing agency plans that speak to PFAS R&D: the USGS Strategic Science Vision<sup>3</sup> and the EPA PFAS Strategic Roadmap.<sup>4</sup> Other Federal agencies may develop their own PFAS R&D plans and may use answers from this RFI to inform future directions.

For purposes of this RFI, the term per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances or PFAS has the definition provided in Section 332(g)(1) of the FY21 NDAA: "(A) man-made chemicals of which all of the carbon atoms are fully fluorinated carbon atoms; and (B) man-made chemicals containing a mix of fully fluorinated carbon atoms, partially fluorinated carbon atoms, and nonfluorinated carbon atoms". PFAS have been widely used in industry and consumer products since the 1940s because of their useful properties. Examples of products that use PFAS include food contact materials (e.g., packaging, cookware), stain and water-repellant fabrics and carpets, and firefighting foams. PFAS may be present in water, soil, air, food, and other materials. Research has shown that PFAS are highly stable chemicals that accumulate in people, animals, and the environment over time, and in several cases, have been shown to cause adverse health effects.

**Scope:** OSTP invites input from States; Tribes; territories; individuals, including those belonging to groups that have been historically underserved, marginalized, or subject to discrimination or systemic disadvantage; local governments; appropriate industries; academic institutions; nongovernmental organizations; and international organizations with expertise in PFAS research and development, treatment, management, and alternative development.

**Information Requested:** Respondents may provide information for one or as many topics below as they choose. Submissions should clearly indicate which questions are being addressed. For the purpose of this RFI, "PFAS research and development" includes any research or project meeting one or more of the following goals:

(A) The removal of PFAS from the environment, in part or in total;

<sup>3</sup> <https://pubs.er.usgs.gov/publication/cir1490>.

<sup>4</sup> [https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2021-10/pfas-roadmap\\_final-508.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2021-10/pfas-roadmap_final-508.pdf).