

of significance to Federally recognized Indian Tribes will not be significant.

Environmental Impacts of the Alternative to the Proposed Action

As an alternative to the proposed license renewal for the Crow Butte ISR project at the CBP and the MEA, the NRC considered the no-action alternative. Under the no-action alternative, the NRC would not renew license SUA-1534. CBR would not be able to continue operations at the CBP, and would not be able to pursue construction and operation at the MEA. For the CBP site, CBR would need to submit a decommissioning plan for NRC approval. Decommissioning would commence only after the NRC has conducted parallel safety and environmental reviews and approved the decommissioning plan. The potential impacts of the no-action alternative would therefore be the same as the impacts resulting from decommissioning activities. Section 2.1.5 of the EA provides a general description of decommissioning activities.

At the MEA site under the no-action alternative, there would be no environmental impacts on land use, transportation, geology and soils, air quality, water resources, ecological resources, noise, historic and cultural resources, visual and scenic resources, waste management, and public and occupational health and safety. Drill holes associated with MEA preconstruction activities would be properly plugged and abandoned, and the wells would be decommissioned.

Additionally, the uranium minerals present in the Crow Butte area would not be made available to support the U.S. nuclear fuel supply chain with domestically produced uranium.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

On May 26, 2026, the NRC provided the draft EA to the State of Nebraska's Department of Water, Energy, and Environment. The NRC received no comments on the draft EA.

Under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the NRC staff consulted with the Nebraska State Historic Preservation Office, CBR, and 28 Federally recognized Indian Tribes, as described in section 1.6.1 of the EA. Under the Endangered Species Act, the NRC staff consulted with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, as described in section 1.6.2 of the EA.

IV. Finding of No Significant Impact

In accordance with the requirements in 10 CFR part 51, the NRC staff has concluded that the proposed action will

not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. Therefore, the NRC staff has determined, pursuant to 10 CFR 51.31, "Determinations based on environmental assessment," that 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. Consistent with 10 CFR 51.32(a)(4), this FONSI incorporates by reference the EA described in this notice.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*

Dated: July 24, 2026

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Robert Sun,

Chief, Environmental Review Materials Branch, Division of Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. MC2026-322 and K2026-317; MC2026-323 and K2026-318]

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:* August 4, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <https://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:

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I. Introduction

Pursuant to 39 CFR 3041.405, the Commission gives notice that the Postal Service filed request(s) for the Commission to consider matters related to Competitive negotiated service

agreement(s). The request(s) may propose the addition of a negotiated service agreement from the Competitive product list or the modification of an existing product currently appearing on the Competitive product list.

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 3011.301.¹

Section II identifies the docket number(s) associated with each Postal Service request, if any, that will be reviewed in a public proceeding as defined by 39 CFR 3010.101(p), the title of each such request, the request's acceptance date, and the authority cited by the Postal Service for each request. For each such 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 and 39 CFR 3000.114 (Public Representative). The Public Representative does not represent any individual person, entity or particular point of view, and, when Commission attorneys are appointed, no attorney-client relationship is established. Section II also establishes comment deadline(s) pertaining to each such request.

The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service's request(s) identified in Section II, if any, are consistent with the policies of title 39. 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 3041. Comment deadline(s) for each such request, if any, appear in Section II.

Section III identifies the docket number(s) associated with each Postal Service request, if any, to add a standardized distinct product to the Competitive product list or to amend a standardized distinct product, the title of each such request, the request's acceptance date, and the authority cited by the Postal Service for each request. Standardized distinct products are negotiated service agreements that are variations of one or more Competitive products, and for which financial models, minimum rates, and classification criteria have undergone advance Commission review. *See* 39 CFR 3041.110(n); 39 CFR 3041.205(a). Such requests are reviewed in summary

¹ *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).

proceedings pursuant to 39 CFR 3041.325(c)(2) and 39 CFR 3041.505(f)(1). Pursuant to 39 CFR 3041.405(c)-(d), the Commission does not appoint a Public Representative or request public comment in proceedings to review such requests.

II. Public Proceeding(s)

1. *Docket No(s)*: MC2026–322 and K2026–317; *Filing Title*: USPS Request to Add Priority Mail Express International, Priority Mail International & First-Class Package International Service Contract 119 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing Materials Under Seal; *Filing Acceptance Date*: July 27, 2026; *Filing Authority*: 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR 3035.105, and 39 CFR 3041.310; *Public Representative*: Maxine Bradley; *Comments Due*: August 4, 2026.

III. Summary Proceeding(s)

1. *Docket No(s)*: MC2026–323 and K2026–318; *Filing Title*: USPS Request to Add New Fulfillment Standardized Distinct Product, PM–GA Contract 1053, and Notice of Filing Materials Under Seal; *Filing Acceptance Date*: July 27, 2026; *Filing Authority*: 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 3633, 39 CFR 3035.105, and 39 CFR 3041.325.

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

Danielle LeFlore,

Legal Assistant.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–105980; File No. S7–2026–26]

Notice of an Application of the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association for an Exemption Pursuant to Section 36 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 From Certain Conditions of Note H to Exchange Act Rule 15c3–3a

July 24, 2026.

On June 24, 2026, the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (“SIFMA”), a trade association for broker-dealers, investment banks, and asset managers operating in the U.S. and global capital markets, filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”), to obtain an exemption pursuant to section 36¹ of the Securities

Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”),² in accordance with the procedures set forth in Exchange Act Rule 0–12.³ Specifically, SIFMA is requesting relief, on behalf of its broker-dealer members, from the application of Exchange Act section 15(c)(3)⁴ and Rule 15c3–3a, Note H(b)(1) and (2)(i) thereunder, to permit broker-dealers to include a debit in their reserve computations for customers and the proprietary securities accounts of other broker-dealers (“PAB”)⁵ (collectively “reserve computations”) for margin required and on deposit with a qualified clearing agency resulting from transactions in U.S. Treasury securities in customer accounts that have been cleared, settled, and novated by the clearing agency in cases where the broker-dealer has delivered the margin collateral on a net, omnibus, basis, rather than on a gross, customer-by-customer basis, subject to certain conditions discussed below.⁶ The Commission is publishing this notice to provide interested persons with an opportunity to comment.

I. Background

Rule 15c3–3 under the Exchange Act, known as the broker-dealer customer protection rule, requires broker-dealers that hold customer cash and securities (“carrying broker-dealers”) to treat these assets in a manner that facilitates their prompt return to customers if the broker-dealer fails financially.⁷ To meet this objective, Rule 15c3–3 requires a carrying broker-dealer to take two primary steps to safeguard customer

to exempt any person, security or transaction or any class or classes of persons, securities or transactions, conditionally or unconditionally, from any Exchange Act provision by rule, regulation or order, to the extent that the exemption is necessary or appropriate in the public interest and consistent with the protection of investors.

² 15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*

³ 17 CFR 240.0–12. Exchange Act Rule 0–12 sets forth procedures for filing applications for orders for exemptive relief pursuant to section 36. The application will not appear in the **Federal Register** (“Application”). The Application is available on the Commission’s internet website at www.sec.gov. Defined terms in this notice are the same as used in the Application, unless we note otherwise.

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78o(c)(3).

⁵ See 17 CFR 15c3–3(a)(16) (defining PAB account as a proprietary securities account of a broker-dealer (which includes a foreign broker-dealer, or a foreign bank acting as a broker-dealer) other than a delivery-versus-payment account or a receipt-versus-payment account. The term does not include an account that has been subordinated to the claims of creditors of the carrying broker-dealer.)

⁶ See 17 CFR 240.15c3–3a, Note H(b)(2)(i).

⁷ See *Daily Computation of Customer and Broker-Dealer Reserve Requirements Under the Broker-Dealer Customer Protection Rule*, Exchange Act Release No. 102022 (Dec. 20, 2024) [90 FR 2790 (Jan. 13, 2025)] (“Daily Rule 15c3–3 Reserve Computation Final Rule”).

assets, which are designed to protect customers by segregating their securities and cash from the carrying broker-dealer’s proprietary business activities.⁸ The first step requires a carrying broker-dealer to maintain physical possession or control over customers’ fully paid and excess margin securities.⁹ The second step requires that a carrying broker-dealer maintain a reserve bank account that must hold cash or qualified securities (e.g., U.S. Treasury securities) in an amount determined by a computation of the net cash owed to the carrying broker-dealer’s customers pursuant to a formula set forth in Exchange Act Rule 15c3–3a, the customer reserve computation.¹⁰

Under the customer reserve computation, the broker-dealer adds up customer credit items (for example, credit balances in customer securities accounts and cash obtained through the use of customer margin securities) and subtracts customer debit items (for example, margin loans). The goal of Rule 15c3–3 is to place a broker-dealer in a position where it is able to wind down in an orderly self-liquidation without the need of financial assistance provided by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation through a formal proceeding under the Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970.¹¹

On December 13, 2023, the Commission adopted rules under the Exchange Act to amend the standards applicable to certain clearing agencies to enhance risk management practices for central counterparties in the U.S. Treasury market and facilitate additional clearing of U.S. Treasury securities.¹² Included in the Treasury Clearing Adopting Release, the Commission also adopted amendments to Rule 15c3–3a to permit margin required and on deposit at qualified clearing agencies providing central counterparty services for U.S. Treasury securities to be included by broker-

⁸ See *id.* at 2794.

⁹ See 17 CFR 240.15c3–3(d).

¹⁰ See Daily Rule 15c3–3 Reserve Computation Final Rule, 90 FR at 2794. See also *Financial Responsibility Rules for Broker-Dealers*; Final Rule, Exchange Act Release No. 70072 (July 30, 2013) [78 FR 51824, 51826 (Aug. 21, 2013)] (“Financial Responsibility Rules for Broker-Dealers; Final Rule”). See also 17 CFR 240.15c3–3a (Formula for determination of customer and PAB account reserve requirements of broker-dealers under Rule 15c3–3.).

¹¹ See *Financial Responsibility Rules for Broker-Dealers*; Final Rule, 78 FR at 51869; Daily Rule 15c3–3 Reserve Computation Final Rule, 90 FR at 2791.

¹² See *Standards for Covered Clearing Agencies for U.S. Treasury Securities and Application of the Broker-Dealer Customer Protection Rule With Respect to U.S. Treasury Securities*, Exchange Act Release No. 99149 (Dec. 13, 2023), [89 FR 2714 (Jan. 16, 2024)] (“Treasury Clearing Adopting Release”).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78mm. Section 36(a)(1) of the Exchange Act gives the Commission the authority