

In addition, the 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 the 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.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 2, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the appeal form may be obtained from Arlin Winefordner, Merit Systems Protection Board, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20419 or by calling (202) 653-7200. Comments concerning the paperwork burden should also be addressed to Mr. Winefordner.

Dated: February 25, 1997.

Robert E. Taylor,
Clerk of the Board.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 97-025]

NASA Advisory Council (NAC), Space Science Advisory Committee (SScAC), Structure and Evolution of the Universe Advisory Subcommittee; Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a forthcoming meeting of the NASA Advisory Council, Space Science Advisory Committee, Structure and Evolution of the Universe Subcommittee.

DATES: Monday, March 24, 1997, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Tuesday, March 25, 1997, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Goddard Space Flight Center, Bldg. 26, Conference Room 212, Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD 20771.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Alan N. Bunner, Code SA, National

Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358-0364.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting includes the following topics:

- Status of Ongoing Missions
- Structure and Evolution of Universe (SEU) Strategic Planning
- Plans and Concepts for Future Missions
- Development of SEU Technology "Roadmap"
- Discussion of President's FY 1998 NASA Budget

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

Dated: February 25, 1997.

Leslie M. Nolan,

*Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space Administration.*

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[Notice (97-024)]

Notice of Prospective Patent License

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of prospective patent license.

SUMMARY: NASA hereby gives notice that Global Dynamics International, Inc., of Ann Arbor, MI 48108, has applied for a partially exclusive license to practice the invention described in NASA Case No. MSC-22532-1, entitled "Adaptive Speech Recognition System and Method," which is assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Written objections to the prospective grant of a license should be sent to Johnson Space Center.

DATE: Responses to this notice must be received by May 2, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James M. Cate, Patent Attorney, Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center, Mail Stop HA, Houston, TX 77058-3696, telephone (281) 483-1001.

Dated: February 21, 1997.

Edward A. Frankle,
General Counsel.

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NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: National Credit Union Administration (NCUA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) named below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 2, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY

CONTACT: Marijean Brown at NCUA (703) 518-6413.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Community Development Revolving Loan Program for Credit Unions, Application for Technical Assistance (OMB Control No. 3133-0137). This is a request for an extension of a currently approved information collection. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on December 23, 1996. No comments were received.

Send comments including suggestions for reducing the burden to the following addresses: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th St., Washington, DC 20503, Attn: Desk Officer Alexander Hunt and NCUA, 1775 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3428, Attn: Marijean Brown. Please refer to OMB Control No. 3133-0137.

By the National Credit Union Administration Board on February 26, 1997.

Becky Baker,

Secretary of the Board.

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POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

[Parcel Classification Reform Docket No. MC97-2]

Notice of Request for Changes in Domestic Mail Classification Schedule Provisions and Rates for Parcel Services and Order Instituting Proceedings

Issued February 24, 1997.

Before Commissioners: Edward J. Gleiman, Chairman; H. Edward Quick, Jr., Vice Chairman; George W. Haley; W.H. "Trey" LeBlanc III.

Notice is hereby given that on February 21, 1997, the United States Postal Service filed a Request with the Postal Rate Commission pursuant to § 3623 of the Postal Reorganization Act, 39 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq., for a recommended decision on proposed changes in the Domestic Mail Classification Schedule (DMCS). The proposed revisions also include proposed new rates and fees. The Request includes attachments and is supported by the testimony of 13 witnesses and 46 library references. It is on file in the Commission Docket Room and is available for inspection during the Commission's regular business hours.

Contents of the Filing

The Service's Request incorporates significant changes in mail classification affecting parcels in the following subclasses of Standard Mail: Single Piece, Regular, Enhanced Carrier Route, Parcel Post, and Bound Printed Matter. The following summarizes the proposed classification changes on a subclass-by-subclass basis:

Single Piece

- Introduction of a parcel return service with rates below those currently applicable to returned single pieces.
- Introduction of a new forwarding service.

Regular Presort and Enhanced Carrier Route

- Establishment of a surcharged rate category for parcel-shaped items.

Parcel Post

- Re-introduction of a charge for bulky, lighter-weight parcel post.
- Adoption of an increase in the maximum permissible parcel size.
- Introduction of discounts for BMC presort and origin BMC entry.
- Introduction of discounts for DSCF entry combined with five-digit presort.
- Introduction of a discount for destination delivery unit entry.

Bound Printed Matter

- Adoption of an increase in the maximum weight limit.

The Postal Service Request also proposes changes that would apply across several different mail classifications. For all categories of Standard Mail weighing 16 ounces or more, the Service proposes:

- Introduction of prebarcode discounts; and

- Introduction of a delivery confirmation service using barcoded peel-off labels.

The Service also proposes the introduction of bulk rates tied to electronically-transmitted information for users of the Insurance special service who send First-Class, Priority, Parcel Post, Bound Printed Matter, Special, and Library Mail. Finally, the Service requests establishment of surcharges for hazardous medical materials and other mailable hazardous materials contained in First-Class, Priority, Express Mail, Standard Single Piece, Regular, Enhanced Carrier Route, and Parcel Post parcels.

In addition to proposed changes in mail classification, the Postal Service Request incorporates proposed adjustments in current postal rates and fees. The Service proposes revisions in Parcel Post rates to reflect revisions in transportation and processing cost information, and in the DBMC discounts available for Parcel Post to reflect current cost data. The Service also proposes to increase the fee for the pickup service available for Express Mail, Priority Mail, and Parcel Post.

Effect on Net Revenue

Unlike the Postal Service's earlier classification reform requests in Docket Nos. MC95-1 and MC96-2, its proposal in this docket is not intended to have a neutral effect on its overall net revenue. The Postal Service estimates that if its proposals in this docket were in effect throughout FY 1997, they would increase system revenues by \$90.8 million while decreasing system costs by \$35.4 million, for a net increase in system revenue of \$126.2 million. USPS-T-1 at 7.

Cost and Roll-Forward Methodologies

In the past, interim Postal Service filings used the same base year and test year that were used in the most recent omnibus rate proceeding. This provided a consistent basis for comparing the cost and revenue effects of proposed interim changes with the cost and revenue effects of the general rate and classification schedules in place. In this interim filing, evaluation of the Postal Service's proposed changes is complicated by use of a base year (FY 1995) and a test year (FY 1997) that were not used to evaluate the rate and classification schedules emanating from Docket Nos. R94-1, MC95-1 and MC96-2. The Service's filing also develops base year costs solely by the methods that the Postal Service uses in its own Cost and Revenue Analysis Report (CRA). It does not follow the Commission's approved costing

methods as far as practical, as the Postal Service's filing did in Docket No. MC93-1, nor does it describe and explain its departures from them, as the Postal Service's filing did in the last omnibus rate proceeding, Docket No. R94-1. Direct Testimony of Richard Patelunas on Behalf of the United States Postal Service, USPS-T-5, at 5-8.

Proposed DMCS Provisions

The Postal Service's Request proposes changes in the current Domestic Mail Classification Schedule (DMCS), which was extensively revised as the result of the first mail classification reform proceeding, Docket No. MC95-1. The DMCS is codified at 39 CFR Part 3001, Subpart C, Appendix A. In Attachment A to its Request, the Postal Service displays the changes it proposes in the version of the DMCS currently in effect.¹ These proposed revisions accompany this Notice as Attachment A.

Proposed Rate and Fee Schedules

In Attachment B to its Request, the Postal Service displays changes it proposes to the various rate and fee schedules currently in effect. Most of these proposed rate and fee changes correspond to the revisions the Postal Service proposes in the DMCS; however, some of the proposed changes would adjust rates or fees for current mail classifications on the basis of estimated cost changes or other rationales. These changes occur in rates for the Parcel Post subclass and the fee for the Pickup service available for Express Mail, Priority Mail, and Parcel Post. The Postal Service's requested changes in rates and fees accompany this Notice as Attachment B.

Intervention

Participation in Commission proceedings generally takes the form of either full intervention or limited participation. See sections 20 and 20a of the Commission rules of practice [39 CFR § 3001.20 and .20a]. For those wishing to express their views informally, without incurring the obligations that attach to the other two forms of participation, commenter status is available. See section 20b [39 CFR § 3001.20b]. Those wishing to be heard in this matter as either a full intervenor or limited participant are directed to file a written notice of intervention in conformance with section 20(b) or 20a(a), identifying the status they intend to assume and affirmatively stating how actively they expect to participate. In

¹ Proposed changes in the DMCS unrelated to the Postal Service's Request in this proceeding are pending in Commission Docket Nos. MC96-2, MC96-3, and MC97-1.

addition, intervenors are requested to provide a telephone number, facsimile number, and e-mail address, if available. [See proposed Special Rule 3A, *infra*.]

Notices of intervention should be sent to the attention of Margaret P. Crenshaw, Secretary of the Commission, 1333 H Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20268-0001, and are to be filed on or before March 18, 1997. Commenter status does not require a notice of intervention.

Representation of the General Public

In conformance with section 3624(a) of title 39, the Commission designates W. Gail Willette, Director of the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA), to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding. Pursuant to this designation, Ms. Willette will direct the activities of Commission personnel assigned to assist her and, when requested, will supply their names for the record. Neither Ms. Willette nor any of the assigned personnel will participate in or provide advice on any Commission decision in this proceeding.

Special Rules of Practice

The Commission proposes conducting this proceeding pursuant to the special rules of practice set forth in Attachment C. These rules reflect the special rules implemented in Docket Nos. MC96-2 and MC96-3, with two exceptions. The proposed special rules shorten the time for providing certain pleadings and answers to discovery from 14 days to 12 days, and eliminate provisions allowing for voluntary, alternative service of documents by electronic filing. In conducting its experiment with the electronic filing of case-related documents, the Commission observed a number of functional problems, some of which remain unresolved. Consequently, the Commission suspended the filing of documents by e-mail, effective February 4, 1997. See Secretary's Notice to Intervenors, February 4, 1997, appended hereto as Attachment D. However, participants who are capable of filing documents as word processing files stored on diskettes may avail themselves of an alternative method of filing them with the Commission, together with a reduced number of paper copies. See Special Rule of Practice 3.B.

Initial Prehearing Conference: Date, Location, and Agenda

The Commission will convene a prehearing conference at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 20, 1997, in the Commission's hearing room at 1333 H Street, N.W., Suite 300, Washington,

D.C. The Commission asks that persons attending the conference be prepared to discuss procedural and scheduling matters pertinent to the Service's filing.

Participants are to file a notice of issues they would like to raise for consideration at the prehearing conference. Suggestions need not be limited to procedural matters, but may include substantive issues to the extent that considering them at this stage might expedite the proceeding. An agenda incorporating participants' suggestions will be distributed at the beginning of the prehearing conference.

Docket Room Operations

Documents may be filed with the Commission's docket section Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Questions about docket room operations should be directed to Ms. Peggie Brown (at 202-789-6847) or Ms. Joyce Taylor (at 202-789-6846).

It is ordered:

1. The Commission will sit en banc in this proceeding.
2. Notices of intervention shall be filed no later than March 18, 1997.
3. A prehearing conference will be held Thursday, March 20, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission's hearing room.
4. Participants are to file notices of issues they intend to raise at the prehearing conference by March 18, 1997.
5. Comments on the proposed special rules of practice set out in Attachment C should be filed by March 18, 1997.
6. W. Gail Willette, Director of the Commission's Office of the Consumer Advocate, is designated to represent the interest of the general public in this proceeding.
7. The Secretary shall cause this Notice and Order to be published in the Federal Register.

By the Commission,
Margaret P. Crenshaw,
Secretary.

Requested Changes in the Domestic Mail Classification Schedule

In this Request, the Postal Service asks the Commission to recommend certain changes in the Domestic Mail Classification Schedule (DMCS). The changes requested herein alter the DMCS recommended by the Commission on November 29, 1978, adopted by decision of the Governors and implemented by resolution of the Board of Governors on April 3, 1979, effective April 15, 1979, and as amended from time-to-time, most recently by the decision of the Governors approving the Recommended Decision of the Commission on

Nonprofit Regular Standard Mail, Nonprofit Enhanced Carrier Route Standard Mail, Nonprofit Periodicals and Within County Periodicals, Docket No. MC96-2, as implemented by resolution of the Board of Governors adopted on August 5, 1996, effective October 6, 1996. The current DMCS (which is published in part at 39 CFR Part 3001, subpart C, appendix A, and in part as Attachment B to the Decision of the Governors of the United States Postal Service On Recommended Decision of the Postal Rate Commission on Nonprofit Standard Mail, Nonprofit Enhanced Carrier Route Standard Mail, Nonprofit Periodicals, and Within County Periodicals, Docket No. MC96-2 (61 Fed. Reg. 42,464)), is incorporated by reference in this Request.

Proposed additions to text of the classification schedule are underlined; proposed deletions are in brackets. The changes in the DMCS requested by the Postal Service are as follows:

EXPEDITED MAIL CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE

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170 RATES AND FEES

171 Express Mail. The rates for Express Mail are set forth in the following rate schedules:

	Schedule
a. Same Day Airport	121
b. Custom Designed	122
c. Next Day Post Office-to-Post Office	123
d. Second Day Post Office-to-Post Office	123
e. Next Day Post Office-to-Addressee	123
f. Second Day Post Office-to-Addressee	123

172 Hazardous Medical Materials and Other Mailable Hazardous Materials Surcharges. Express Mail containing hazardous medical materials or other mailable hazardous materials, as defined by the Postal Service, must meet the preparation requirements of the Postal Service and is subject to one or both surcharges.

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FIRST-CLASS MAIL CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE

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220 DESCRIPTION OF SUBCLASSES

221 Letters and Sealed Parcels Subclass

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221.5 Hazardous Medical Materials and Other Mailable Hazardous Materials Surcharges. Letters and

Sealed Parcels subclass mail containing hazardous medical materials or other mailable hazardous materials, as defined by the Postal Service, must meet the preparation requirements of the Postal Service and is subject to one or both surcharges.

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223 Priority Mail

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223.8 Hazardous Medical Materials and Other Mailable Hazardous Materials Surcharges. Priority Mail containing hazardous medical materials or other mailable hazardous materials, as defined by the Postal Service, must meet the preparation requirements of the Postal Service and is subject to one or both surcharges.

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STANDARD MAIL CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE

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320 DESCRIPTION OF SUBCLASSES

321 Subclasses Limited to Mail Weighing Less than 16 Ounces

321.1 Single Piece Subclass

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321.15 Hazardous Medical Materials and Other Mailable Hazardous Materials Surcharges. Single Piece subclass mail containing hazardous medical materials or other mailable hazardous materials, as defined by the Postal Service, must meet the preparation requirements of the Postal Service and is subject to one or both surcharges.

321.2 Regular Subclass

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321.25 Residual Shape Surcharge. Regular subclass mail is subject to a surcharge if it is not letter-, card-, or flat-shaped.

321.26 Hazardous Medical Materials and Other Mailable Hazardous Materials Surcharges. Regular subclass mail containing hazardous medical materials or other mailable hazardous materials, as defined by the Postal Service, must meet the preparation requirements of the Postal Service and is subject to one or both surcharges.

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321.3 Enhanced Carrier Route Subclass

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321.37 Residual Shape Surcharge. Enhanced Carrier Route subclass mail is subject to a surcharge if it is not letter-, card-, or flat-shaped.

321.38 Hazardous Medical Materials and Other Mailable Hazardous Materials

Surcharges. Enhanced Carrier Route subclass mail containing hazardous medical materials or other mailable hazardous materials, as defined by the Postal Service, must meet the preparation requirements of the Postal Service and is subject to one or both surcharges.

321.4 Nonprofit Subclass

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321.45 Hazardous Medical Materials and Other Mailable Hazardous Materials Surcharges. Nonprofit subclass mail containing hazardous medical materials or other mailable hazardous materials, as defined by the Postal Service, must meet the preparation requirements of the Postal Service and is subject to one or both surcharges.

321.5 Nonprofit Enhanced Carrier Route Subclass

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321.57 Hazardous Medical Materials and Other Mailable Hazardous Materials Surcharges. Nonprofit Enhanced Carrier Route subclass mail containing hazardous medical materials or other mailable hazardous materials, as defined by the Postal Service, must meet the preparation requirements of the Postal Service and is subject to one or both surcharges.

322 Subclasses Limited to Mail Weighing 16 Ounces or More

322.1 Parcel Post Subclass

322.11 Definition. The Parcel Post subclass consists of Standard Mail weighing 16 ounces or more that is not mailed under sections 322.2, 322.3, 323.1, or 323.2.

[322.12 Basic Rate Category. The basic rate category applies to all Parcel Post subclass mail not mailed under sections 322.13 or 322.14.]

322.12 Description of Rate Categories

322.121 Inter-BMC Rate Category. Inter-BMC Parcel Post rates apply to all Parcel Post not mailed under sections 322.122, 322.123, 322.124, or 322.125.

322.122 Intra-BMC Rate Category. Intra-BMC rates apply to Parcel Post mail originating and destinating within a designated BMC or auxiliary service facility service area, Alaska, Hawaii or Puerto Rico.

322.123 Destination Bulk Mail Center (DBMC) Rate Category. DBMC rates apply to Parcel Post mail prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service in a mailing of at least 50 pieces deposited at a designated destination BMC, auxiliary service facility, or other equivalent facility, as prescribed by the Postal Service.

322.124 Destination Sectional Center Facility (DSCF) Rate Category. DSCF rates apply to Parcel Post mail prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service in a mailing of at least 50 pieces sorted to five digits as prescribed by the Postal Service and entered at a designated destination processing and distribution center or facility, or other equivalent facility, as prescribed by the Postal Service.

322.125 Destination Delivery Unit (DDU) Rate Category. DDU rates apply to Parcel Post mail prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service in a mailing of at least 50 pieces, and deposited at a designated destination delivery unit, or other equivalent facility, as prescribed by the Postal Service.

322.13 [Reserved]

[400.0202 Bulk

Bulk parcel post mail is fourth-class parcel post mail consisting of properly prepared and separated single mailings of at least 300 pieces or 2000 pounds. Pieces weighing less than 15 pounds and measuring over 84 inches in length and girth combined are not mailable as bulk parcel post. Provision for mailing nonidentical pieces is set forth in section 400.046.]

[322.14 Destination BMC Rate Category. Parcel Post subclass mail is eligible for destination BMC rates if it is included in a mailing of at least 50 pieces deposited at the destination BMC, auxiliary service facility, or other equivalent facility, as prescribed by the Postal Service.]

322.14 Bulk Mail Center (BMC) Presort Discounts

322.141 Machinable BMC Presort Discount. The machinable BMC presort discount applies to machinable Inter-BMC Parcel Post mail that is prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service in a mailing of 50 or more pieces, deposited at a facility authorized by the Postal Service, and sorted to destination BMCs, as prescribed by the Postal Service.

322.142 Nonmachinable BMC Presort Discount. The nonmachinable BMC presort discount applies to nonmachinable Inter-BMC Parcel Post mail that is prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service in a mailing of 50 or more pieces, deposited at a facility authorized by the Postal Service, and sorted to destination BMCs, as prescribed by the Postal Service.

322.143 Origin Bulk Mail Center (OBMC) Discount. The Origin BMC Parcel Post discount applies to Inter-BMC Parcel Post mail that is prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service in a

mailing of at least 50 pieces, deposited at the origin BMC, and sorted to destination BMCs, as prescribed by the Postal Service.

322.15 Intra-BMC Discount. Basic rate category Parcel Post subclass mail is eligible for the intra-BMC discount if it originates and destines within the same BMC or auxiliary service facility service area, Alaska, Hawaii or Puerto Rico.]

322.15 Barcoded Discount. The barcoded discount applies to Inter-BMC, Intra-BMC, and DBMC Parcel Post mail that is entered at designated facilities, bears a barcode prescribed by the Postal Service, is prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service in a mailing of at least 50 pieces, and meets all other preparation and machinability requirements of the Postal Service.

322.16 Oversized Parcel Post

322.161 Excessive Length and Girth. Parcel Post pieces exceeding 108 inches in length and girth combined, but not greater than 130 inches in length and girth combined, are mailable, provided that such pieces constitute no more than 10 percent of the total number of Parcel Post pieces mailed as a part of a single mailing. If mailable, such pieces are subject to the applicable rates for the 70 pound weight increment.

322.162 Balloon Rate. Parcel Post pieces exceeding 84 inches in length and girth combined and weighing less than 15 pounds are subject to a rate equal to that for a 15 pound parcel for the zone to which the parcel is addressed.

322.1[6]7 Nonmachinable Surcharge. [Basic rate category Parcel Post subclass mail] Inter-BMC Parcel Post that does not meet machinability criteria prescribed by the Postal Service is subject to a nonmachinable surcharge.

322.1[7]8 Pickup Service. Pickup service is available for Parcel Post [subclass] mail under terms and conditions prescribed by the Postal Service.

322.19 Hazardous Medical Materials and Other Mailable Hazardous Materials Surcharges. Parcel Post mail containing hazardous medical materials or other mailable hazardous materials, as defined by the Postal Service, must meet the preparation requirements of the Postal Service and is subject to one or both surcharges.

322.2 Bulk Parcel Post

Bulk parcel post mail is Parcel Post mail consisting of properly prepared and separated single mailings of at least 300 pieces or 2000 pounds. Pieces weighing less than 15 pounds and measuring over 84 inches in length and

girth combined are not mailable as bulk parcel post.

322.3 Bound Printed Matter Subclass

322.31 Definition. The Bound Printed Matter subclass consists of Standard Mail weighing at least 16 ounces, but not more than [10]15 pounds, which:

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322.35 Barcoded Discount. The barcoded discount applies to Single-Piece and Bulk Rate Bound Printed Matter that is entered at designated facilities, bears a barcode prescribed by the Postal Service, is prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service in a mailing of at least 50 pieces, and meets all other preparation and machinability requirements of the Postal Service.

323 Subclasses With No 16-Ounce Limitation

323.1 Special Subclass

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322.15 Barcoded Discount. The barcoded discount applies to Single Piece and Level B Presort Special subclass mail that is entered at designated facilities, bears a barcode prescribed by the Postal Service, is prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service in a mailing of at least 50 pieces, and meets all other preparation and machinability requirements of the Postal Service.

323.2 Library Subclass

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323.23 Barcoded Discount. The barcoded discount applies to Library subclass mail that is entered at designated facilities, bears a barcode prescribed by the Postal Service, is prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service in a mailing of at least 50 pieces, and meets all other preparation and machinability requirements of the Postal Service.

323.24 Hazardous Medical Materials and Other Mailable Hazardous Materials Surcharges. Library subclass mail containing hazardous medical materials or other mailable hazardous materials, as defined by the Postal Service, must meet the preparation requirements of the Postal Service and is subject to one or both surcharges.

330 PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS

331 Size

Except as provided in 322.161, Standard Mail may not exceed 108 inches in length and girth combined. Additional size limitations apply to individual Standard Mail subclasses. The maximum size for mail presorted to carrier route in the Enhanced Carrier

Route and Nonprofit Enhanced Carrier Route subclasses is 14 inches in length, 11.75 inches in width, and 0.75 inch in thickness. For merchandise samples mailed with detached address cards, the carrier route maximum dimensions apply to the detached address cards and not to the samples.

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350 DEPOSIT AND DELIVERY

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353 Forwarding and Return

353.1 Single Piece, Regular, Enhanced Carrier Route, Nonprofit and Nonprofit Enhanced Carrier Route Subclasses (section 321)

Undeliverable-as-addressed Standard Mail mailed under section 321 will be returned on request of the mailer, or forwarded and returned on request of the mailer. Undeliverable-as-addressed combined First-Class and Standard pieces will be returned as prescribed by the Postal Service. Except as provided in Schedule SS-21, [T]the Single Piece Standard rate is charged for each piece receiving return only service. Except as provided in Schedule SS-22, [C]charges for forwarding-and-return service are assessed only on those pieces which cannot be forwarded and are returned. Except as provided in Schedules SS-21 and SS-22, [T]the charge for those returned pieces is the appropriate Single Piece Standard rate for the piece plus that rate multiplied by a factor equal to the number of section 321 Standard pieces nationwide that are successfully forwarded for every one piece that cannot be forwarded and must be returned.

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360 ANCILLARY SERVICES

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362 Single Piece, Parcel Post, Bound Printed Matter, Special, and Library Subclasses

Single Piece, Parcel Post, Bound Printed Matter, Special, and Library subclass mail will receive the following additional services upon payment of the appropriate fees:

Service	Schedule
a. Certificates of mailing	SS-4
b. COD	SS-6
c. Insured mail	SS-9
d. Special delivery	SS-17
e. Special handling	SS-18
f. Return receipt (merchandise only)	SS-16
Merchandise return	SS-20

Service	Schedule
h. Delivery Confirmation (excluding Single-Piece).	PSS-7

Insurance, special delivery, special handling, and COD services may not be used selectively for individual pieces in a multi-piece [Parcel Post subclass] *Standard Mail* mailing unless specific methods approved by the Postal Service for ascertaining and verifying postage are followed.

363 Regular and Nonprofit

Regular and Nonprofit subclass mail will receive the following additional services upon payment of the appropriate fees:

Service	Schedule
a. Bulk Parcel Return Service	SS-21
b. Shipper-Paid Forwarding	SS-22

370 RATES AND FEES

The rates and fees for Standard Mail are set forth as follows:

	Schedule
a. Single Piece subclass	321.1
b. Regular subclass	321.2
c. Enhanced Carrier Route subclass.	321.3
d. Nonprofit subclass	321.4
e. Nonprofit Enhanced Carrier Route subclass.	321.5
f. Parcel Post subclass	
[Basic] <i>Inter-BMC</i>	322.1A
<i>Intra-BMC</i>	322.1B
Destination BMC	322.1[B]C
<i>Destination SCF</i>	322.1D
<i>Destination Delivery Unit</i>	322.1E
g. Bound Printed Matter subclass	
Single Piece	322.3A
Bulk and Carrier Route	322.3B
h. Special subclass	323.1
i. Library subclass	323.2
j. Fees	1000

380 AUTHORIZATIONS AND LICENSES

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383 Parcel Post Subclass

A mailing fee as set forth in Rate Schedule 1000 must be paid once each year by mailers of Destination BMC, *Destination SCF* or *Destination Delivery Unit* rate category mail in the Parcel Post subclass.

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CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE SS-4—CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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4.03 Other Services

4.030 The following services, if applicable to the subclass of mail, may

be obtained in conjunction with mail sent under this classification schedule upon payment of the applicable fees:

	Classification schedule
a. Parcel airlift	SS-13
b. Special delivery	SS-17
c. Special handling	SS-18
d. Delivery confirmation	SS-7

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CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE SS-6—COLLECT ON DELIVERY SERVICE

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6.06 Other Services

6.060 The following services, if applicable to the subclass of mail, may be obtained in conjunction with mail sent under this classification schedule upon payment of the applicable fee:

	Classification schedule
a. Registered mail, if sent as First-Class.	SS-14
b. Restricted delivery	SS-15
c. Special delivery	SS-17
d. Special handling	SS-18
e. Delivery confirmation	SS-7

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CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE SS-7—DELIVERY CONFIRMATION

7.01 Definition

7.010 *Delivery confirmation service provides confirmation to the mailer that an article was delivered or that a delivery attempt was made.*

7.02 Description of Service

7.020 *Delivery confirmation is available for a fee for Parcel Post, Bound Printed Matter, Special, and Library subclass mail.*

7.021 *Delivery Confirmation service may be requested at the time of mailing only.*

7.022 *Mail for which Delivery Confirmation is requested must meet the preparation and barcoding requirements of the Postal Service.*

7.023 *Matter for which delivery confirmation is requested must be deposited in a manner specified by the Postal Service.*

7.03 Fees

7.030 *The fees for delivery confirmation service are set forth in Rate Schedule SS-7.*

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CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE SS-9—INSURED MAIL

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9.02 Description of Service

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9.021 Availability

9.0210 *Retail [Insured] insurance [mail service] is available for mail sent under the following classification schedules:*

- a. First-Class Mail, if containing matter which may be mailed as Standard Mail
- b. Single Piece, Parcel Post, Bound Printed Matter, Special, and Library [Standard M] subclass mail.

9.0211 *Bulk insurance service is available for mail entered in bulk at designated facilities and in a manner prescribed by the Postal Service and sent under the following classification schedules:*

- a. First-Class Mail, if containing matter that may be mailed as Standard Mail,
- b. Parcel Post, Bound Printed Matter, Special, and Library subclass mail

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9.023 Coverage

9.0230 *Retail insurance provides indemnity for the actual value of the article at the time of mailing.*

9.0231 *Bulk insurance provides indemnity for the lesser of (1) the actual value of the article at the time of mailing, or (2) the wholesale cost of the contents to the sender.*

9.024 Accountability and Recordkeeping

9.0240 *For retail insurance, the mailer is issued a receipt for each item mailed. For items insured for more than \$50, a receipt of delivery is obtained by the Postal Service.*

9.0241 *For items insured for more than \$50, a notice of arrival is left at the mailing address when the first attempt at delivery is unsuccessful.*

9.0242 *Bulk insurance bears endorsements and identifiers prescribed by the Postal Service. Bulk insurance mailers must meet the documentation requirements of the Postal Service.*

9.025 Claims

9.0250 *For retail insurance, a [A] claim for complete loss may be filed by the mailer only. A claim for damage or for partial loss may be filed by either the mailer or addressee.*

9.0251 *For bulk insurance, all claims must be filed by the mailer.*

[9.026]

9.0252 *A claim for damage or loss on a parcel sent merchandise return*

(SS-20) may only be filed by the purchaser of the insurance.

[9.027]

9.0253 Indemnity claims for insured mail must be filed within a specified period of time from the date the article was mailed. [9.028 Additional copies of the original mailing receipt may be obtained by the mailer, upon payment of the applicable fee set forth in Rate Schedule SS-9.]

9.03 Deposit of Mail

9.030 Retail and bulk Insured mail must be deposited [in a manner] as specified by the Postal Service.

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9.05 Other Services

9.050 The following services, if applicable to the subclass of mail, may be obtained in conjunction with mail sent under this classification schedule upon payment of the applicable fees:

	Classification schedule
a. Parcel Airlift	SS-13
b. Restricted delivery (for items insured for more than \$50).	SS-15
c. Return receipt (for items insured for more than \$50).	SS-16
d. Special delivery	SS-17
e. Special handling	SS-18
f. Merchandising return (shippers only).	SS-20
g. Delivery confirmation	SS-7

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CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE SS-13—PARCEL AIRLIFT (PAL)

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13.07 Other Services

13.070 The following services, if applicable to the subclass of mail, may be obtained in conjunction with mail sent under this classification schedule upon payment of the applicable fees:

	Classification schedule
a. Certificate of mailing	SS-4
b. Insured mail	SS-9
c. Restricted delivery (if insured for more than \$[25]50).	SS-15
d. Return receipt (if insured for more than \$[25] 50).	SS-16
e. Special delivery (if mailed for delivery within the 48 contiguous states).	SS-17
Special handling	SS-18

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CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE SS-18—SPECIAL HANDLING

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18.06 Other Services

18.060 The following services, if applicable to the subclass of mail, may be obtained in conjunction with mail sent under this classification schedule upon payment of the applicable fees:

	Classification schedule
a. COD mail	SS-6
b. Insured mail	SS-9
c. Parcel airlift	SS-13
Merchandise return (shippers only).	SS-20
e. Delivery confirmation	SS-7

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CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE SS-21—BULK PARCEL RETURN SERVICE

21.01 Definition

21.010 Bulk Parcel Return Service provides a method whereby high-volume parcel mailers may have undeliverable-as-addressed machinable parcels returned to designated postal facilities for pickup by the mailer at a predetermined frequency prescribed by the Postal Service or delivered by the Postal Service in bulk in a manner and frequency prescribed by the Postal Service.

21.02 Description of Service

21.020 Bulk Parcel Return Service is available only for the return of machinable parcels, as defined by the Postal Service, initially mailed under the following Standard Mail subclasses: Regular and Nonprofit.

21.03 Requirements of the Mailer

21.030 Mailers must receive authorization from the Postal Service to use Bulk Parcel Return Service.

21.031 To claim eligibility for Bulk Parcel Return Service at each facility through which the mailer requests Bulk Parcel Return Service, the mailer must demonstrate receipt of a prescribed minimum number of returned machinable parcels at a given delivery point in the previous postal fiscal year or must demonstrate a high likelihood of receiving the prescribed minimum number of returned parcels in postal fiscal year for which the service is requested.

21.032 Payment for Bulk Parcel Return Service is made through advance deposit account, or as otherwise specified by the Postal Service.

21.033 Mail for which Bulk Parcel Return Service is requested must bear

endorsements prescribed by the Postal Service.

21.034 Bulk Parcel Return Service mailers must meet the documentation and audit requirements of the Postal Service.

21.04 Other Services

21.040 The following services may be purchased in conjunction with Bulk Parcel Return Service:

	Classification schedule
Address Correction Service	SS-1
Certificate of Mailing	SS-4
Shipper-Paid Forwarding	SS-22

21.05 Fee

21.050 The fee for Bulk Parcel Return Service is set forth in Rate Schedule SS-21.

21.06 Authorizations and Licenses

21.060 A permit fee as set forth in Rate Schedule 1000 must be paid once each calendar year by mailers utilizing Bulk Parcel Return Service.

21.061 The Bulk Parcel Return Service permit may be canceled for failure to maintain sufficient funds in an advance deposit account to cover postage and fees on returned parcels or for failure to meet the specifications of the Postal Service.

CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE SS-22—SHIPPER-PAID FORWARDING

22.01 Definition

22.010 Shipper-Paid Forwarding provides a method whereby mailers may have undeliverable-as-addressed machinable parcels forwarded at Standard Mail Single Piece rates for up to one year from the date that the addressee filed a change-of-address order. If the parcel, for which Shipper-Paid Forwarding is elected, is returned, the mailer will pay the appropriate Standard Mail Single Piece rate, or the Bulk Parcel Return Service fee, if that service was elected.

22.02 Description of Service

22.020 Shipper-Paid Forwarding is available only for the forwarding of machinable parcels, as defined by the Postal Service, initially mailed under the following Standard Mail subclasses: Regular and Nonprofit.

22.03 Requirements of the Mailer

22.030 Shipper-Paid Forwarding is available only in conjunction with automated Address Correction Service in Schedule SS-1.

22.031 Mail for which Shipper-Paid Forwarding is purchased must meet the

preparation requirements of the Postal Service.

22.032 *Payment for Shipper-Paid Forwarding is made through advance deposit account, or as otherwise specified by the Postal Service.*

22.033 *Mail for which Shipper-Paid Forwarding is requested must bear endorsements prescribed by the Postal Service.*

22.04 Other Services

22.040 *The following services may be purchased in conjunction with Shipper-Paid Forwarding:*

	Classification schedule
a. Certificate of Mailing	SS-4
b. Bulk Parcel Return Service	SS-21

22.05 Applicable Rates

22.050 *Except as provided in Schedule SS-21, Standard Mail Single Piece rates, set forth in Rate Schedule 321.1, apply to pieces forwarded or returned in connection with Shipper-Paid Forwarding.*

GENERAL DEFINITIONS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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2000 Delivery of Mail

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2030 Forwarding and Return

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2033 Applicable Provisions. The provisions of sections 150, 250, 350 and 450 and schedules SS-21 and SS-22 apply to forwarding and return.

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6030 Maximum Size and Weight Standards

Where applicable, the maximum size and weight standards for each class or subclass of mail are set forth in sections 130, 230, 322.16, 330 and 430. Additional limitations may be applicable to specific subclasses, and rate and discount categories as provided in the eligibility provisions for each subclass or category.

Requested Changes in the Rate and Fee Schedules

In conjunction with the requested changes in the Domestic Mail Classification Schedule (DMCS) set forth in Attachment A, the Postal Service also is requesting that the

Commission recommend corresponding changes in the attendant rate and special service fee schedules.

Rate schedules were last amended in part by the decision of the Governors approving the Recommended Decision of the Commission on Nonprofit Regular Standard Mail, Nonprofit Enhanced Carrier Route Standard Mail, Nonprofit Periodicals and Within County Periodicals, Docket No. MC96-2, as implemented by resolution of the Board of Governors adopted on August 5, 1996, effective October 6, 1996. The rate schedules attached to that decision, published at 61 Fed. Reg. 42,464 and the rate and fee schedules published at 39 CFR Part 3001, subpart C, appendix A, and published at 61 Fed. Reg. 10,220, are incorporated by reference in this Request.

Unless otherwise indicated, proposed additions to the text of the schedules are underlined; proposed deletions are in brackets. The requested changes in the rate and fee schedules are as follows:

EXPRESS MAIL RATE SCHEDULES 121, 122, AND 123

[Dollars]

Weight Not Exceeding (Pounds)	Schedule 121 Same Day Airport Service	Schedule 122 Custom Designed	Schedule 123 Next Day Second Day PO to PO	Schedule 123 Next Day and Second Day PO to Addressee

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SCHEDULES 121, 122, AND 123 NOTES

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2. Add \$4.95] \$7.75 for each pickup stop.

3. Add \$4.95] \$7.75 for each Custom Designed delivery stop.

4. Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

FIRST-CLASS MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 221 LETTERS and SEALED PARCELS ¹²

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SCHEDULE 221 NOTES:

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¹² Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

FIRST-CLASS MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 223 PRIORITY MAIL SUBCLASS (in dollars)

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SCHEDULE 223 NOTES:

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2. Add \$4.95] \$7.75 for each pickup stop.

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6. Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 321.1 SINGLE PIECE SUBCLASS ³

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SCHEDULE 321.1 NOTES:

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³ Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 321.2A REGULAR SUBCLASS Presort Category 1 ⁴

Letter Size

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Non-Letter Size ³

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SCHEDULE 321.2A NOTES:

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³ Residual shape surcharge \$0.10 per-piece.

⁴ Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 321.2B REGULAR SUBCLASS Automation Category 1 ¹⁰

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SCHEDULE 321.2B NOTES

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¹⁰ Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 321.3

Enhanced Carrier Route Subclass 1⁶
Letter Size

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Non-Letter Size⁵

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SCHEDULE 321.3 NOTES

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⁵ Residual Shape Surcharge: \$0.10 per piece.

⁶ Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 321.4A NONPROFIT SUBCLASS

Presort Categories 1³ (Full rates)

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SCHEDULE 321.4A NOTES

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³ Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 321.4B NONPROFIT SUBCLASS

Automation Categories 1¹⁰ (Full Rates)

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SCHEDULE 321.4B NOTES

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¹⁰ Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 321.5 NONPROFIT ENHANCED CARRIER ROUTE SUBCLASS 1⁵

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SCHEDULE 321.5 NOTES

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⁵ Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

Replace Rate Schedules 322.1A and 322.1B with proposed Rate Schedules 322.1A, 322.1B, 322.1C, 322.1D, and 322.1E.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 322.1A PARCEL POST SUBCLASS INTER-BMC RATES [Dollars]

Weight (pounds)	Zones 1 & 2		Zone 3		Zone 4		Zone 5		Zone 6		Zone 7		Zone 8	
	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current
2	2.95	2.63	2.95	2.79	2.95	2.87	2.95	2.95	2.95	2.95	2.95	2.95	2.95	2.95
3	3.48	2.76	3.61	3.00	3.86	3.34	3.95	3.68	3.95	3.95	3.95	3.95	3.95	3.95
4	3.73	2.87	3.97	3.20	4.31	3.78	4.68	4.68	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.95
5	3.86	2.97	4.31	3.38	4.74	4.10	5.19	5.19	5.84	5.56	5.95	5.95	5.95	5.95
6	3.99	3.07	4.62	3.55	5.12	4.39	5.67	5.67	6.90	6.90	7.75	7.75	7.95	7.95
7	4.11	3.16	4.82	3.71	5.48	4.67	6.11	6.11	7.51	7.51	9.15	9.15	9.75	9.75
8	4.24	3.26	5.01	3.85	5.81	4.91	6.53	6.53	8.08	8.08	9.94	9.94	11.55	11.55
9	4.33	3.33	5.19	3.99	6.12	5.16	6.92	6.92	8.62	8.62	10.65	10.65	12.95	12.95
10	4.45	3.42	5.36	4.12	6.40	5.38	7.29	7.29	9.12	9.12	11.31	11.31	14.00	14.00
11	4.54	3.49	5.53	4.25	6.67	5.59	7.63	7.63	9.59	9.59	11.93	11.93	15.05	15.05
12	4.64	3.57	5.68	4.37	6.91	5.79	7.96	7.96	10.03	10.03	12.52	12.52	16.10	16.10
13	4.73	3.64	5.81	4.47	7.16	5.98	8.26	8.26	10.45	10.45	13.07	13.07	17.15	17.15
14	4.82	3.71	5.97	4.59	7.38	6.16	8.55	8.55	10.84	10.84	13.59	13.59	18.20	18.20
15	4.90	3.77	6.10	4.69	7.58	6.34	8.82	8.82	11.22	11.22	14.08	14.08	19.25	19.25
16	4.98	3.83	6.23	4.79	7.78	6.50	9.09	9.09	11.58	11.58	14.55	14.55	20.30	20.30
17	5.07	3.90	6.34	4.88	7.97	6.66	9.33	9.33	11.92	11.92	15.00	15.00	21.35	21.35
18	5.14	3.95	6.46	4.97	8.14	6.81	9.58	9.58	12.24	12.24	15.42	15.42	22.40	22.40
19	5.23	4.02	6.58	5.06	8.31	6.95	9.80	9.80	12.55	12.55	15.83	15.83	23.25	23.25
20	5.29	4.07	6.68	5.14	8.46	7.08	10.01	10.01	12.84	12.84	16.21	16.21	23.84	23.84
21	5.36	4.12	6.80	5.23	8.61	7.21	10.23	10.23	13.12	13.12	16.59	16.59	24.41	24.41
22	5.43	4.18	6.89	5.30	8.75	7.34	10.43	10.43	13.39	13.39	16.94	16.94	24.96	24.96
23	5.50	4.23	7.01	5.39	8.88	7.47	10.62	10.62	13.66	13.66	17.28	17.28	25.47	25.47
24	5.55	4.27	7.10	5.46	9.02	7.58	10.80	10.80	13.90	13.90	17.60	17.60	25.97	25.97
25	5.62	4.32	7.19	5.53	9.14	7.70	10.98	10.98	14.14	14.14	17.91	17.91	26.45	26.45
26	5.68	4.37	7.28	5.60	9.26	7.81	11.15	11.15	14.37	14.37	18.21	18.21	26.91	26.91
27	5.75	4.42	7.37	5.67	9.37	7.91	11.31	11.31	14.59	14.59	18.50	18.50	27.34	27.34
28	5.80	4.46	7.46	5.74	9.48	8.02	11.47	11.47	14.81	14.81	18.78	18.78	27.77	27.77
29	5.86	4.51	7.55	5.81	9.59	8.12	11.63	11.63	15.01	15.01	19.05	19.05	28.17	28.17
30	5.92	4.55	7.63	5.87	9.69	8.21	11.78	11.78	15.20	15.20	19.30	19.30	28.57	28.57
31	5.98	4.60	7.70	5.92	9.78	8.31	11.92	11.92	15.39	15.39	19.55	19.55	28.94	28.94
32	6.03	4.64	7.79	5.99	9.88	8.40	12.06	12.06	15.58	15.58	19.79	19.79	29.30	29.30
33	6.08	4.68	7.87	6.05	9.96	8.49	12.20	12.20	15.76	15.76	20.02	20.02	29.66	29.66
34	6.14	4.72	7.93	6.10	10.05	8.57	12.32	12.32	15.94	15.94	20.24	20.24	30.00	30.00
35	6.19	4.76	8.01	6.16	10.13	8.66	12.45	12.45	16.11	16.11	20.46	20.46	30.33	30.33
36	6.24	4.80	8.07	6.21	10.21	8.75	12.58	12.58	16.27	16.27	20.66	20.66	30.64	30.64
37	6.29	4.84	8.14	6.26	10.29	8.82	12.70	12.70	16.43	16.43	20.87	20.87	30.94	30.94
38	6.34	4.88	8.22	6.32	10.36	8.91	12.81	12.81	16.57	16.57	21.07	21.07	31.24	31.24
39	6.40	4.92	8.28	6.37	10.43	8.98	12.92	12.92	16.72	16.72	21.26	21.26	31.53	31.53
40	6.44	4.95	8.35	6.42	10.51	9.05	13.04	13.04	16.86	16.86	21.44	21.44	31.81	31.81
41	6.50	5.00	8.42	6.48	10.57	9.12	13.14	13.14	17.00	17.00	21.62	21.62	32.07	32.07
42	6.54	5.03	8.48	6.52	10.63	9.19	13.24	13.24	17.14	17.14	21.79	21.79	32.33	32.33
43	6.58	5.06	8.54	6.57	10.70	9.27	13.35	13.35	17.28	17.28	21.96	21.96	32.58	32.58
44	6.63	5.10	8.59	6.61	10.75	9.33	13.44	13.44	17.41	17.41	22.12	22.12	32.83	32.83
45	6.67	5.13	8.66	6.66	10.81	9.40	13.54	13.54	17.52	17.52	22.28	22.28	33.06	33.06
46	6.72	5.17	8.72	6.71	10.88	9.46	13.63	13.63	17.65	17.65	22.44	22.44	33.30	33.30
47	6.77	5.21	8.78	6.75	10.93	9.52	13.72	13.72	17.77	17.77	22.59	22.59	33.52	33.52
48	6.81	5.24	8.84	6.80	10.98	9.59	13.82	13.82	17.88	17.88	22.74	22.74	33.73	33.73
49	6.85	5.27	8.89	6.84	11.04	9.65	13.90	13.90	17.99	17.99	22.88	22.88	33.95	33.95
50	6.89	5.30	8.94	6.88	11.09	9.70	13.99	13.99	18.10	18.10	23.02	23.02	34.15	34.15
51	6.94	5.34	9.00	6.92	11.13	9.77	14.07	14.07	18.20	18.20	23.16	23.16	34.35	34.35
52	6.98	5.37	9.06	6.97	11.19	9.82	14.15	14.15	18.31	18.31	23.29	23.29	34.54	34.54
53	7.02	5.40	9.11	7.01	11.24	9.87	14.23	14.23	18.42	18.42	23.41	23.41	34.74	34.74
54	7.06	5.43	9.17	7.05	11.28	9.93	14.31	14.31	18.51	18.51	23.54	23.54	34.92	34.92
55	7.10	5.46	9.20	7.08	11.33	9.99	14.38	14.38	18.61	18.61	23.66	23.66	35.10	35.10
56	7.15	5.50	9.27	7.13	11.37	10.04	14.45	14.45	18.70	18.70	23.79	23.79	35.27	35.27
57	7.19	5.53	9.32	7.17	11.41	10.09	14.53	14.53	18.80	18.80	23.89	23.89	35.44	35.44
58	7.23	5.56	9.36	7.20	11.45	10.14	14.60	14.60	18.89	18.89	24.01	24.01	35.60	35.60
59	7.27	5.59	9.41	7.24	11.50	10.19	14.67	14.67	18.97	18.97	24.12	24.12	35.76	35.76
60	7.31	5.62	9.46	7.28	11.54	10.25	14.74	14.74	19.07	19.07	24.22	24.22	35.92	35.92
61	7.36	5.66	9.52	7.32	11.58	10.29	14.81	14.81	19.14	19.14	24.33	24.33	36.07	36.07

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 322.1A PARCEL POST SUBCLASS INTER-BMC RATES—Continued
[Dollars]

Weight (pounds)	Zones 1 & 2		Zone 3		Zone 4		Zone 5		Zone 6		Zone 7		Zone 8	
	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current
62	7.40	5.69	9.56	7.35	11.61	10.34	14.87	14.87	19.23	19.23	24.44	24.44	36.22	36.22
63	7.42	5.71	9.61	7.39	11.65	10.39	14.93	14.93	19.31	19.31	24.53	24.53	36.37	36.37
64	7.46	5.74	9.65	7.42	11.68	10.44	15.00	15.00	19.39	19.39	24.64	24.64	36.50	36.50
65	7.50	5.77	9.70	7.46	11.72	10.48	15.06	15.06	19.46	19.46	24.73	24.73	36.64	36.64
66	7.55	5.81	9.75	7.50	11.75	10.52	15.13	15.13	19.55	19.55	24.82	24.82	36.77	36.77
67	7.59	5.84	9.79	7.53	11.78	10.57	15.18	15.18	19.62	19.62	24.92	24.92	36.91	36.91
68	7.62	5.86	9.83	7.56	11.83	10.62	15.24	15.24	19.68	19.68	25.00	25.00	37.04	37.04
69	7.66	5.89	9.87	7.59	11.86	10.66	15.30	15.30	19.76	19.76	25.10	25.10	37.15	37.15
70	7.70	5.92	9.93	7.64	11.89	10.71	15.35	15.35	19.83	19.83	25.18	25.18	37.28	37.28

SCHEDULE 322.1A NOTES

1. For nonmachinable Inter-BMC parcels, add: \$1.25 per-piece.
2. For each pickup stop, add: \$7.75.
3. For Origin Bulk Mail Center Discount, deduct \$0.49 per-piece.
4. For Machinable BMC Presort, deduct \$0.16 per-piece.
5. For Nonmachinable BMC Presort, deduct \$0.21 per-piece.
6. For Barcoded Discount, deduct \$0.04 per-piece.
7. See 322.16 for oversize parcel post.
8. Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 322.1B PARCEL POST SUBCLASS INTRA-BMC RATES
[Dollars]

Weight (pounds)	Local		Zones 1 & 2		Zone 3		Zone 4		Zone 5	
	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current
2	\$2.22	\$2.24	\$2.51	\$2.31	\$2.51	\$2.47	\$2.55	\$2.55	\$2.63	\$2.63
3	2.30	2.31	2.73	2.44	2.74	2.68	3.02	3.02	3.36	3.36
4	2.37	2.39	2.94	2.55	2.94	2.88	3.46	3.46	4.36	4.36
5	2.45	2.45	3.14	2.65	3.14	3.06	3.78	3.78	4.87	4.87
6	2.51	2.52	3.32	2.75	3.33	3.23	4.07	4.07	5.35	5.35
7	2.57	2.58	3.49	2.84	3.50	3.39	4.35	4.35	5.79	5.79
8	2.63	2.74	3.65	2.94	3.66	3.53	4.59	4.59	6.21	6.21
9	2.69	2.69	3.80	3.01	3.81	3.67	4.84	4.84	6.60	6.60
10	2.75	2.75	3.94	3.10	3.94	3.80	5.06	5.06	6.97	6.97
11	2.80	2.80	4.08	3.17	4.08	3.93	5.27	5.27	7.31	7.31
12	2.85	2.85	4.21	3.25	4.21	4.05	5.47	5.47	7.64	7.64
13	2.90	2.91	4.32	3.32	4.32	4.15	5.66	5.66	7.94	7.94
14	2.95	2.95	4.41	3.39	4.45	4.27	5.84	5.84	8.23	8.23
15	2.99	3.00	4.49	3.45	4.55	4.37	6.02	6.02	8.50	8.50
16	3.04	3.05	4.56	3.51	4.66	4.47	6.18	6.18	8.77	8.77
17	3.09	3.09	4.65	3.58	4.77	4.56	6.34	6.34	9.01	9.01
18	3.13	3.13	4.72	3.63	4.86	4.65	6.49	6.49	9.26	9.26
19	3.17	3.17	4.81	3.70	4.95	4.74	6.63	6.63	9.48	9.48
20	3.21	3.22	4.88	3.75	5.05	4.82	6.76	6.76	9.69	9.69
21	3.25	3.25	4.94	3.80	5.14	4.91	6.89	6.89	9.91	9.91
22	3.29	3.29	5.02	3.86	5.22	4.98	7.02	7.02	10.11	10.11
23	3.33	3.33	5.08	3.91	5.30	5.07	7.15	7.15	10.30	10.30
24	3.37	3.37	5.14	3.95	5.39	5.14	7.26	7.26	10.48	10.48
25	3.42	3.41	5.20	4.00	5.47	5.21	7.38	7.38	10.66	10.66
26	3.45	3.44	5.27	4.05	5.54	5.28	7.49	7.49	10.83	10.83
27	3.49	3.48	5.33	4.10	5.61	5.35	7.59	7.59	10.99	10.99
28	3.52	3.51	5.38	4.14	5.69	5.42	7.70	7.70	11.15	11.15
29	3.56	3.55	5.45	4.19	5.76	5.49	7.80	7.80	11.31	11.31
30	3.59	3.59	5.50	4.23	5.82	5.55	7.89	7.89	11.46	11.46
31	3.63	3.62	5.56	4.28	5.89	5.60	7.99	7.99	11.60	11.60
32	3.66	3.65	5.62	4.32	5.95	5.67	8.08	8.08	11.74	11.74
33	3.69	3.69	5.67	4.36	6.02	5.73	8.17	8.17	11.88	11.88
34	3.74	3.72	5.72	4.40	6.08	5.78	8.25	8.25	12.00	12.00
35	3.77	3.75	5.77	4.44	6.14	5.84	8.34	8.34	12.13	12.13
36	3.80	3.78	5.82	4.48	6.20	5.89	8.43	8.43	12.26	12.26
37	3.83	3.81	5.88	4.52	6.26	5.94	8.50	8.50	12.38	12.38
38	3.86	3.84	5.93	4.56	6.32	6.00	8.59	8.59	12.49	12.49
39	3.90	3.88	5.98	4.60	6.38	6.05	8.66	8.66	12.60	12.60
40	3.93	3.91	6.02	4.63	6.43	6.10	8.73	8.73	12.72	12.72
41	3.96	3.94	6.08	4.68	6.48	6.16	8.80	8.80	12.82	12.82
42	3.99	3.97	6.12	4.71	6.53	6.20	8.87	8.87	12.92	12.92
43	4.02	4.00	6.16	4.74	6.58	6.25	8.95	8.95	13.03	13.03
44	4.06	4.04	6.21	4.78	6.64	6.29	9.01	9.01	13.12	13.12
45	4.09	4.06	6.25	4.81	6.69	6.34	9.08	9.08	13.22	13.22
46	4.12	4.09	6.31	4.85	6.74	6.39	9.14	9.14	13.31	13.31
47	4.15	4.12	6.36	4.89	6.79	6.43	9.20	9.20	13.40	13.40
48	4.17	4.15	6.40	4.92	6.83	6.48	9.27	9.27	13.50	13.50
49	4.20	4.18	6.44	4.95	6.88	6.52	9.33	9.33	13.58	13.58
50	4.23	4.21	6.47	4.98	6.92	6.56	9.38	9.38	13.67	13.67
51	4.26	4.24	6.53	5.02	6.98	6.60	9.45	9.45	13.75	13.75
52	4.29	4.26	6.57	5.05	7.02	6.65	9.50	9.50	13.83	13.83
53	4.32	4.29	6.60	5.08	7.07	6.69	9.55	9.55	13.91	13.91
54	4.34	4.32	6.64	5.11	7.12	6.73	9.61	9.61	13.99	13.99
55	4.38	4.35	6.68	5.14	7.16	6.76	9.67	9.67	14.06	14.06
56	4.41	4.38	6.73	5.18	7.20	6.81	9.72	9.72	14.13	14.13
57	4.44	4.40	6.77	5.21	7.24	6.85	9.77	9.77	14.21	14.21
58	4.46	4.43	6.81	5.24	7.29	6.88	9.82	9.82	14.28	14.28
59	4.49	4.46	6.85	5.27	7.33	6.92	9.87	9.87	14.35	14.35
60	4.52	4.48	6.89	5.30	7.37	6.96	9.93	9.93	14.42	14.42
61	4.55	4.52	6.94	5.34	7.41	7.00	9.97	9.97	14.49	14.49
62	4.57	4.54	6.98	5.37	7.45	7.03	10.02	10.02	14.55	14.55
63	4.60	4.57	7.01	5.39	7.49	7.07	10.07	10.07	14.61	14.61

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 322.1B PARCEL POST SUBCLASS INTRA-BMC RATES—Continued
[Dollars]

Weight (pounds)	Local		Zones 1 & 2		Zone 3		Zone 4		Zone 5	
	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current
64	4.63	4.59	7.05	5.42	7.53	7.10	10.12	10.12	14.68	14.68
65	4.65	4.62	7.09	5.45	7.56	7.14	10.16	10.16	14.74	14.74
66	4.69	4.64	7.14	5.49	7.61	7.18	10.20	10.20	14.81	14.81
67	4.72	4.68	7.18	5.52	7.65	7.21	10.25	10.25	14.86	14.86
68	4.74	4.70	7.20	5.54	7.68	7.24	10.30	10.30	14.92	14.92
69	4.77	4.73	7.24	5.57	7.72	7.27	10.34	10.34	14.98	14.98
70	4.79	4.75	7.28	5.60	7.75	7.32	10.39	10.39	15.03	15.03

SCHEDULE 322.1B NOTES:

1. For Barcoded Discount, deduct \$0.04 per-piece.
2. See 322.16 for oversize parcel post.
3. Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.
4. For each pickup stop, add \$7.75.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 322.1C PARCEL POST SUBCLASS DESTINATION BMC RATES

Weight (Pounds)	Zones 1 & 2		Zone 3		Zone 4		Zone 5	
	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current	Pro-posed	Current
2	\$1.97	\$2.10	\$2.25	\$2.25	\$2.55	\$2.30	\$2.63	\$2.33
3	2.12	2.22	2.61	2.44	3.02	2.74	3.36	3.00
4	2.26	2.33	2.92	2.62	3.46	3.15	4.36	3.94
5	2.40	2.42	3.14	2.79	3.78	3.45	4.87	4.40
6	2.53	2.51	3.33	2.95	4.07	3.71	5.35	4.83
7	2.64	2.60	3.50	3.09	4.35	3.97	5.79	5.22
8	2.76	2.69	3.66	3.22	4.59	4.19	6.21	5.60
9	2.85	2.76	3.81	3.35	4.84	4.42	6.60	5.95
10	2.95	2.84	3.94	3.47	5.06	4.62	6.97	6.29
11	3.04	2.91	4.08	3.59	5.27	4.82	7.31	6.59
12	3.13	2.98	4.21	3.70	5.47	5.00	7.64	6.89
13	3.21	3.05	4.32	3.79	5.66	5.17	7.94	7.16
14	3.28	3.11	4.45	3.91	5.84	5.34	8.23	7.42
15	3.35	3.17	4.55	4.00	6.02	5.51	8.50	7.67
16	3.43	3.23	4.66	4.09	6.18	5.65	8.77	7.91
17	3.50	3.29	4.77	4.18	6.34	5.80	9.01	8.13
18	3.56	3.34	4.86	4.26	6.49	5.94	9.26	8.35
19	3.62	3.41	4.95	4.34	6.63	6.07	9.48	8.55
20	3.68	3.45	5.05	4.42	6.76	6.19	9.69	8.74
21	3.74	3.50	5.14	4.50	6.89	6.31	9.91	8.94
22	3.80	3.56	5.22	4.57	7.02	6.43	10.11	9.12
23	3.85	3.61	5.30	4.65	7.15	6.55	10.30	9.30
24	3.90	3.64	5.39	4.72	7.26	6.65	10.48	9.46
25	3.95	3.69	5.47	4.78	7.38	6.77	10.66	9.62
26	4.00	3.74	5.54	4.85	7.49	6.87	10.83	9.78
27	4.05	3.79	5.61	4.91	7.59	6.96	10.99	9.92
28	4.10	3.83	5.69	4.98	7.70	7.06	11.15	10.07
29	4.14	3.87	5.76	5.05	7.80	7.16	11.31	10.21
30	4.18	3.91	5.82	5.10	7.89	7.24	11.46	10.35
31	4.22	3.96	5.89	5.15	7.99	7.33	11.60	10.48
32	4.26	4.00	5.95	5.22	8.08	7.42	11.74	10.61
33	4.30	4.04	6.02	5.27	8.17	7.50	11.88	10.73
34	4.34	4.08	6.08	5.32	8.25	7.58	12.00	10.84
35	4.39	4.11	6.14	5.38	8.34	7.66	12.13	10.96
36	4.42	4.15	6.20	5.42	8.43	7.75	12.26	11.08
37	4.46	4.19	6.26	5.47	8.50	7.81	12.38	11.19
38	4.50	4.23	6.32	5.53	8.59	7.90	12.49	11.29
39	4.53	4.27	6.38	5.57	8.66	7.96	12.60	11.39
40	4.56	4.30	6.43	5.62	8.73	8.03	12.72	11.50
41	4.60	4.35	6.48	5.68	8.80	8.09	12.82	11.59
42	4.63	4.38	6.53	5.72	8.87	8.16	12.92	11.68
43	4.66	4.40	6.58	5.76	8.95	8.23	13.03	11.79
44	4.70	4.44	6.64	5.80	9.01	8.29	13.12	11.87
45	4.74	4.47	6.69	5.85	9.08	8.36	13.22	11.96
46	4.77	4.51	6.74	5.90	9.14	8.41	13.31	12.04
47	4.80	4.55	6.79	5.94	9.20	8.47	13.40	12.13
48	4.83	4.58	6.83	5.98	9.27	8.53	13.40	12.22
49	4.86	4.61	6.88	6.02	9.33	8.59	13.58	12.29
50	4.89	4.64	6.92	6.06	9.38	8.64	13.67	12.38
51	4.91	4.68	6.98	6.10	9.45	8.70	13.75	12.45
52	4.94	4.71	7.02	6.15	9.50	8.75	13.83	12.52
53	4.97	4.73	7.07	6.19	9.55	8.80	13.91	12.60
54	5.01	4.76	7.12	6.22	9.61	8.86	13.99	12.67
55	5.04	4.79	7.16	6.25	9.67	8.91	14.06	12.74
56	5.06	4.83	7.20	6.30	9.72	8.96	14.13	12.80
57	5.09	4.86	7.24	6.34	9.77	9.01	14.21	12.88
58	5.12	4.89	7.29	6.37	9.82	9.06	14.28	12.94
59	5.14	4.92	7.33	6.41	9.87	9.10	14.35	13.01
60	5.17	4.95	7.37	6.45	9.93	9.16	14.42	13.07
61	5.20	4.99	7.41	6.48	9.97	9.20	14.49	13.14
62	5.22	5.02	7.45	6.51	10.02	9.25	14.55	13.19
63	5.25	5.04	7.49	6.55	10.07	9.29	14.61	13.25
64	5.27	5.07	7.53	6.58	10.12	9.34	14.68	13.31
65	5.30	5.10	7.56	6.62	10.16	9.38	14.74	13.37
66	5.32	5.14	7.61	6.66	10.20	9.42	14.81	13.43
67	5.36	5.17	7.65	6.69	10.25	9.47	14.85	13.48
68	5.38	5.19	7.68	6.72	10.30	9.51	14.88	13.54
69	5.41	5.21	7.72	6.74	10.34	9.55	14.91	13.59
70	5.43	5.24	7.75	6.79	10.39	9.60	14.94	13.64

1. For Barcoded Discount, deduct \$0.04 per-piece.

- 2. See 322.16 for oversize parcel post.
- 3. Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.
- 4. A fee of \$85.00 must be paid each year for DBMC, DSCF, and DDU.

**STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE
322.1D PARCEL POST SUBCLASS
DESTINATION SCF RATES**
[Dollars]

Weight (pounds)	DSCF
	Proposed
2	\$1.53
3	1.61
4	1.69
5	1.77
6	1.84
7	1.90
8	1.97
9	2.02
10	2.08
11	2.13
12	2.19
13	2.24
14	2.28
15	2.32
16	2.38
17	2.42
18	2.46
19	2.50
20	2.54
21	2.58
22	2.62
23	2.66
24	2.69
25	2.73
26	2.76
27	2.80
28	2.84
29	2.87
30	2.90
31	2.92
32	2.96
33	2.99
34	3.02
35	3.06
36	3.08
37	3.11
38	3.15
39	3.17
40	3.19
41	3.23
42	3.25
43	3.28
44	3.31
45	3.35
46	3.37
47	3.40
48	3.42
49	3.45
50	3.47
51	3.49
52	3.52
53	3.54
54	3.58
55	3.61
56	3.63

**STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE
322.1D PARCEL POST SUBCLASS
DESTINATION SCF RATES—Continued**
[Dollars]

Weight (pounds)	DSCF
	Proposed
57	3.65
58	3.68
59	3.70
60	3.73
61	3.75
62	3.77
63	3.80
64	3.82
65	3.85
66	3.87
67	3.91
68	3.92
69	3.95
70	3.97

- SCHEDULE 322.1D NOTES:**
- 1. See 322.16 for oversize parcel post.
 - 2. Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.
 - 3. A fee of \$85.00 must be paid each year for DBMC, DSCF, and DDU.

**STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE
322.1E PARCEL POST SUBCLASS
DESTINATION DELIVERY UNIT RATES**
[Dollars]

Weight (pounds)	DDU
	Proposed
2	\$1.29
3	1.34
4	1.38
5	1.43
6	1.48
7	1.51
8	1.56
9	1.59
10	1.63
11	1.67
12	1.71
13	1.74
14	1.77
15	1.80
16	1.84
17	1.84
18	1.90
19	1.93
20	1.96
21	1.99
22	2.02
23	2.05
24	2.08

**STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE
322.1E PARCEL POST SUBCLASS
DESTINATION DELIVERY UNIT RATES—Continued**
[Dollars]

Weight (pounds)	DDU
	Proposed
25	2.10
26	2.13
27	2.16
28	2.20
29	2.22
30	2.24
31	2.27
32	2.29
33	2.32
34	2.34
35	2.38
36	2.40
37	2.43
38	2.46
39	2.48
40	2.50
41	2.53
42	2.55
43	2.57
44	2.61
45	2.64
46	2.66
47	2.68
48	2.71
49	2.73
50	2.76
51	2.77
52	2.80
53	2.82
54	2.86
55	2.88
56	2.90
57	2.93
58	2.95
59	2.97
60	3.00
61	3.02
62	3.04
63	3.07
64	3.09
65	3.11
66	3.13
67	3.17
68	3.19
69	3.22
70	3.23

- SCHEDULE 322.1E NOTES:**
- 1. See 322.16 for oversize parcel post.
 - 2. Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.
 - 3. A fee of \$85.00 must be paid each year for DBMC, DSCF, and DDU.

Amend Rate Schedule 322.3A as follows:

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 322.3A BOUND PRINTED MATTER SUBCLASS SINGLE PIECE RATES[*]
[In dollars]

Weight not over (pounds)	Local	Zone 1 & 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8
1.5	\$1.11	\$1.49	\$1.52	\$1.58	\$1.66	\$1.74	\$1.84	\$1.93
2.0	1.12	1.52	1.56	1.63	1.74	1.85	1.99	2.10
2.5	1.14	1.55	1.60	1.69	1.82	1.96	2.13	2.28
3.0	1.15	1.57	1.64	1.74	1.90	2.07	2.27	2.45
3.5	1.17	1.60	1.67	1.80	1.98	2.18	2.42	2.62
4.0	1.18	1.63	1.71	1.85	2.07	2.29	2.56	2.79
4.5	1.20	1.65	1.75	1.91	2.15	2.40	2.71	2.97
5.0	1.22	1.68	1.79	1.96	2.23	2.51	2.85	3.14
6.0	1.25	1.73	1.86	2.07	2.39	2.73	3.14	3.49
7.0	1.28	1.79	1.94	2.18	2.56	2.95	3.43	3.83
8.0	1.31	1.84	2.01	2.29	2.72	3.17	3.71	4.18
9.0	1.34	1.90	2.09	2.40	2.89	3.39	4.00	4.52
10.0	1.37	1.95	2.16	2.51	3.05	3.61	4.29	4.87
11.0	1.40	2.00	2.24	2.62	3.21	3.83	4.58	5.22
12.0	1.43	2.06	2.31	2.73	3.38	4.05	4.87	5.56
13.0	1.46	2.11	2.39	2.84	3.54	4.27	5.15	5.91
14.0	1.49	2.17	2.46	2.95	3.71	4.49	5.44	6.25
15.0	1.53	2.22	2.54	3.06	3.87	4.71	5.73	6.60

SCHEDULE 322.3A NOTES

[*]1. Includes both catalogs and similar bound printed matter.

2. For Barcoded Discount, deduct \$0.04 per-piece.

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULE 322.3B BOUND PRINTED MATTER SUBCLASS BULK AND CARRIER ROUTE PRESORT RATES¹

[Dollars]

Zone	Per-piece ³	Carrier route ²	Per-pound
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SCHEDULE 322.3B NOTES

³For Barcoded Discount, deduct \$0.04 per-piece

STANDARD MAIL RATE SCHEDULES 323.1 & 323.2 SPECIAL AND LIBRARY RATE SUBCLASSES

Schedule 323.1: Special	Rates (cents)
First Pound Not presorted ⁴	
LEVEL A Presort (5-digits) ^{1 2}	
LEVEL B Presort (BMC) ^{1 3 4}	
Each additional pound through 7 pounds	
Each additional pound over 7 pounds	
Schedule 323.2: Library	Full rates (cents)
First pound	
Each additional pound through 7 pounds	
Each additional pound over 7 pounds	

SCHEDULE 323.1 NOTES:

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⁴For Barcoded Discount, deduct \$0.04 per-piece.

SCHEDULE 323.2 NOTES:

1. Add \$0.50 per-piece for hazardous medical materials and \$1.00 per-piece for other mailable hazardous materials.

2. For Barcoded Discount, deduct \$0.04 per-piece.

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SPECIAL SERVICES

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SCHEDULE SS-7

Delivery Confirmation

Per piece	Fee (in addition to postage)
Manual	\$0.50
Electronic	\$0.25
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SCHEDULE SS-9

Insured Mail

Liability	Fee ¹ (in addition to postage)
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¹For Bulk Insurance, deduct \$0.40 per piece.

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SCHEDULE SS-21

Bulk Parcel Return Service

	Fee
Per Returned Piece	\$1.75

SCHEDULE 1000 FEES

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	Fee
Parcel Post: Destination BMC, Destination SCF, and Destination Delivery Unit	85.00
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Authorization to Use Bulk Parcel Return Service	85.00

SPECIAL RULES OF PRACTICE

1. Evidence

A. Case-in-chief. A participant's case-in-chief shall be in writing and shall include the participant's direct case and rebuttal, if any, to the United States Postal Service's case-in-chief. It may be accompanied by a trial brief or legal memoranda. There will be a stage providing an opportunity to rebut presentations of other participants and for the Postal Service to present surrebuttal evidence.

B. Exhibits. Exhibits should be self-explanatory. They should contain appropriate footnotes or narrative explaining the source of each item of information used and the methods employed in statistical compilations. The principal title of each exhibit should state what it contains or represents. The title may also contain a

statement of the purpose for which the exhibit is offered; however, this statement will not be considered part of the evidentiary record. Where one part of a multi-part exhibit is based on another part or on another exhibit, appropriate cross-references should be made. Relevant exposition should be included in the exhibits or provided in accompanying testimony.

C. **Motions to Strike.** Motions to strike are requests for extraordinary relief and are not substitutes for briefs or rebuttal evidence. All motions to strike testimony or exhibit materials are to be submitted in writing at least 14 days before the scheduled appearance of the witness. Responses to motions to strike are due within seven days.

D. **Designation of Evidence from other Commission Dockets.** Participants may request that evidence received in other Commission proceedings be entered into the record of this proceeding. These requests should be made by motion, should explain the purpose of the designation, and should identify material by page and line or paragraph number. Absent extraordinary justification, these requests must be made at least 28 days before the date for filing the participant's direct case. If requests for designations and counter-designations are granted, the moving participant must submit two copies of the approved material to the Secretary of the Commission for inclusion in the record.

Oppositions to motions for designation and/or requests for counter-designations shall be filed within 12 days.

2. Discovery

A. **General.** Sections 25, 26 and 27 of the rules of practice apply during the discovery stage of this proceeding except when specifically overtaken by these special rules. Questions from each participant should be numbered sequentially, by witness.

The discovery procedures set forth in the rules are not exclusive. Parties are encouraged to engage in informal discovery whenever possible to clarify exhibits and testimony. The results of these efforts may be introduced into the record by stipulation, by supplementary testimony or exhibit, by presenting selected written interrogatories and answers for adoption by a witness at the hearing, or by other appropriate means.

In the interest of reducing motion practice, parties also are encouraged to use informal means to clarify questions and to identify portions of discovery requests considered overbroad or burdensome.

B. **Objections and Motions to Compel Responses to Discovery.** Upon motion of any participant in the proceeding, the Commission or the presiding officer may compel an answer to an interrogatory or request for admissions if the objection is overruled. Motions to compel should be filed within 12 days of an objection to the discovery request.

Parties who have objected to interrogatories or requests for production of documents or items which are the subject of a motion to compel shall have seven days to answer. Answers will be considered supplements to the arguments presented in the initial objection.

C. **Answers to Interrogatories.** Answers to discovery are to be filed within 12 days of the service of the discovery request. Answers to discovery requests shall be prepared so that they can be incorporated as written cross-examination. Each answer shall begin on a separate page, identify the individual responding, the participant who asked the question, and the number and text of the question.

Participants are expected to serve supplemental answers to update or to correct responses whenever necessary, up until the date that answers are accepted into evidence as written cross-examination. Participants filing supplemental answers shall indicate whether the answer merely supplements the previous answer to make it current or whether it is a complete replacement for the previous answer.

Participants may submit responses with a declaration of accuracy from the respondent in lieu of a sworn affidavit.

D. **Follow-up Interrogatories.** Follow-up interrogatories to clarify or elaborate on the answer to an earlier discovery request may be filed after the initial discovery period ends. They must be served within seven days of receipt of the answer to the previous interrogatory unless extraordinary circumstances are shown.

E. **Discovery to Obtain Information Available Only from the Postal Service.** Sections 25 through 27 of the rules of practice allow discovery reasonably calculated to lead to admissible evidence during a noticed proceeding with no time limitations. Generally, through actions by the presiding officer, discovery against a participant is scheduled to end prior to the receipt into evidence of that participant's direct case. An exception to this procedure shall operate when a participant needs to obtain information (such as operating procedures or data) available only from the Postal Service. Discovery requests of this nature are permissible up to 20 days

prior to the filing date for final rebuttal testimony.

3. Service

A. **Receipt of Documents.** The Service List shall contain the name and address of up to two individuals entitled to receive copies of documents for each participant. If possible that entry will also include a telephone number and facsimile number.

B. **Service of Documents.** Documents shall be filed with the Commission and served upon parties in accordance with sections 9 through 12 of the Commission's rules of practice. As provided in the Secretary's Notice to Intervenors, issued February 4, 1997, participants capable of submitting documents stored on computer diskettes may use an alternative procedure for filing documents with the Commission. Provided that the stored document is a file generated in either Word Perfect 5.1 or any version of Microsoft Word, and is formatted in Arial 12 font, in lieu of the requirements of section 10 of the rules, a participant may submit a diskette containing the text of each filing simultaneously with the filing of 1 (one) printed original and 3 (three) hard copies.

C. **Exceptions to general service requirements for certain documents.** Designations of written cross-examination, notices of intent to conduct oral cross-examination, and notices of intent to participate in oral argument need to be served only on the Commission, the OCA, the Postal Service, and the complementary party (as applicable), as well as on participants filing a special request for service.

Discovery requests, objections and answers thereto need to be served on the Commission, the OCA, on the complementary party, and on any other participant so requesting, as provided in sections 25-27 of the rules of practice. Special requests relating to discovery must be served individually upon the party conducting discovery and state the witness who is the subject of the special request.

D. **Document titles.** Parties should include titles that effectively describe the basic content of any filed documents. Where applicable, titles should identify the issue addressed and the relief requested. Transmittal documents should identify the answers or other materials being provided.

4. Cross-examination

A. **Written cross-examination.** Written cross-examination will be utilized as a substitute for oral cross-examination whenever possible, particularly to introduce factual or statistical evidence.

Designations of written cross-examination should be served no later than three working days before the scheduled appearance of a witness. Designations shall identify every item to be offered as evidence, listing the participant who initially posed the discovery request, the witness and/or party to whom the question was addressed (if different from the witness answering), the number of the request and, if more than one answer is provided, the dates of all answers to be included in the record. (For example, "OCA-T1-17 to USPS witness Jones, answered by USPS witness Smith (March 1, 1997) as updated (March 21, 1997).") When a participant designates written cross-examination, two copies of the documents to be included shall simultaneously be submitted to the Secretary of the Commission.

The Secretary of the Commission shall prepare for the record a packet containing all materials designated for written cross-examination in a format that facilitates review by the witness and counsel. The witness will verify the answers and materials in the packet, and they will be entered into the transcript by the presiding officer. Counsel for a witness may object to written cross-examination at that time, and any designated answers or materials ruled objectionable will be stricken from the record.

B. Oral cross-examination. Oral cross-examination will be permitted for clarifying written cross-examination and for testing assumptions, conclusions or other opinion evidence. Requests for permission to conduct oral cross-examination should be served three or more working days before the announced appearance of a witness and should include (1) specific references to the subject matter to be examined and (2) page references to the relevant direct testimony and exhibits.

Participants intending to use complex numerical hypotheticals or to question using intricate or extensive cross-references, shall provide adequately documented cross-examination exhibits for the record. Copies of these exhibits should be provided to counsel for the witness at least two calendar days (including one working day) before the witness's scheduled appearance.

5. General

Argument will not be received in evidence. It is the province of the lawyer, not the witness. It should be presented in brief or memoranda. Legal memoranda on matters at issue will be welcome at any stage of the proceeding.

New affirmative matter (not in reply to another party's direct case) should

not be included in rebuttal testimony or exhibits.

Cross-examination will be limited to testimony adverse to the participant conducting the cross-examination.

Library references may be submitted when documentation or materials are too voluminous reasonably to be distributed. Each party should sequentially number items submitted as library references and provide each item with an informative title. Parties are to file and serve a separate Notice of Filing of Library Reference(s). Library material is not evidence unless and until it is designated and sponsored by a witness.

NOTICE TO INTERVENORS

Beginning with MC96-2, the Postal Rate Commission embarked on an effort to experiment with the electronic filing of case-related documents. A substantial number of intervenors participated in the experiment with varying results. Some had transmission problems, some had computer hardware problems, and some had compatibility and corrupt file problems. While the Commission was able to solve or resolve most of these problems, some of them still remain. In addition, the recent overload on the Internet has made e-mail transmissions unreliable. Thus, the Commission has decided that as of today, Tuesday, February 4, 1997, it will suspend the filing of documents by e-mail.

The Commission, however, hopes to continue electronic communication and is studying new technologies in the hope that electronic communication between the Commission and intervenors will become a workable reality in the near future. Pursuant to these efforts, the Commission is adopting as a standard type font Arial 12, which is the most compatible with the Commission's current and future electronic needs.

Therefore, with respect to filings in docketed cases, parties now are advised to proceed as follows:

1. Consistent with past practices, parties choosing hard copy filing should send 1 (one) original and 24 (twenty-four) hard copies of each filing to the Commission's docket room.

2. For those with the capacity to use diskettes, diskettes will continue to be accepted at the Commission so long as the copy is typed in Arial 12 and copied in either Word Perfect 5.1 or any version of Word. If sending a diskette, the party need file only 1 (one) original and 3 (three) hard copies with the Commission. In addition, all material sent by diskette in the required format will be placed on the Commission's Home Page (www.prc.gov).

3. All documents filed by the Commission and the Office of Consumer Advocate will be served in hard copy and be placed on the Commission's Home Page. The Commission's Daily Listing of Documents Received will also be placed on the Home Page. Documents of excessive length will be zipped and downloading instructions will be included with such files.

4. For those having questions about electronic operations, the Commission's computer administrator, Brenda Lamka, can be reached at 202-789-6873.

Margaret P. Crenshaw,

Secretary.

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[File No. 500-1]

Twenty First Century Health, Inc., Order of Suspension of Trading

February 27, 1997.

On February 10, 1997, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") issued an Order pursuant to Section 12(k) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 suspending trading in the securities of Twenty First Century Health, Inc. ("TFCH") for ten days. Since then, TFCH has made several public announcements concerning the Commission's investigation and business developments at the issuer. It appears to the Commission that as a result of those new events and circumstances that there are additional and separate questions concerning the adequacy of publicly disseminated information concerning TFCH, including:

(1) The accuracy and reliability of certain press releases issued by TFCH since the first trading suspension was ordered on February 10, including: (a) the business and current customers of Modern Tea Ball Services, Inc. and a related business that TFCH announced on February 14, 1997 it intended to acquire; (b) the effectiveness and marketability of a new line of liquid colloidal nutritional supplements announced by TFCH on February 13, 1997; (c) the accuracy of TFCH's statements concerning its plans to distribute those supplements; (d) the existence, status and likelihood of success of plans to complete an initial public offering of securities by an affiliated entity that TFCH announced it planned to have underwritten by