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PRC Sets Schedule to Review Proposal to End Saturday Mail Delivery

Washington, DC – The Postal Regulatory Commission today established the procedural schedule, available here, for Docket N2010-1 to review whether the U.S. Postal Service plan to eliminate Saturday delivery should be implemented.

"The Commission has developed a disciplined schedule to ensure a timely, thorough review of the Postal Service's proposal," said Chairman Ruth Y. Goldway. "Our process will provide multiple opportunities for the public to be heard and for all the facts to be considered before the Commission issues its Advisory Opinion."

In addition to steps outlined in the procedural schedule, the Commission will hold public field hearings in Las Vegas, NV; Sacramento, CA; Dallas, TX; Memphis, TN; Chicago, IL; Rapid City, SD; and Buffalo, NY. Persons wishing to be considered for inclusion on a field hearing witness panel may contact the Commission at www.prc.gov, by clicking the "contact PRC" tab or by phoning 202-789-6800.

By law, the Postal Service is required to ask the Commission for an Advisory Opinion in advance of any change in nationwide service. Commission procedures provide for public, on-the-record hearings to analyze and cross-examine the Postal Service's "five-day" proposal and supporting evidence. During the process, mail users and interested members of the public may offer supporting or opposing views, both informally and as part of more formal, technical presentations. The nationwide elimination of Saturday mail delivery service is one of the most significant changes the Postal Service has ever presented to the Commission.

A list of the field hearing locations and times is attached.

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The Postal Regulatory Commission is an independent federal agency that provides regulatory oversight over the U.S. Postal Service to ensure the transparency and accountability of the Postal Service and foster a vital and efficient universal mail system. The Commission is comprised of five Presidentially-appointed and Senate-confirmed Commissioners, each serving terms of six years. The Chairman is designated by the President. In addition to Chairman Goldway, the other Commissioners are Vice Chairman Tony Hammond, Dan Blair, Nanci Langley, and Mark Acton.

PRC FIELD HEARING SCHEDULE FOR DOCKET NO. N2010-1

<u>May</u>

- Las Vegas, Nevada Monday, May 10, 1:00 p.m.
 City Council Chambers, 400 Stewart Avenue
- Sacramento, CA Wednesday May 12, 9:00 a.m.
 Sacramento City Hall, City Council Chambers, 915 I Street
- Dallas, Texas Monday, May 17, 1:00 p.m.
 Dallas City Hall, City Council Chambers, 1500 Marilla Avenue
- Memphis, TN Wednesday, May 19, 1:00 p.m.
 Memphis City Hall, City Council Chambers, 125 N. Main Street

June

- Chicago, IL Monday, June 21, 1:00 p.m.
 Chicago City Hall, City Council Chambers, 121 N. LaSalle Street
- Rapid City, SD Wednesday, June 23, 9:00 a.m.
 Journey Museum, 222 New York Street
- Buffalo, NY Monday, June 28, 1:00 p.m.
 Buffalo City Hall, City Council Chambers, 65 Niagara Square, 12th Floor

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