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PRC Gives Final Approval for First-Class Automated 5-Digit Letters

After further review of the treatment of Inbound International E-format Letter Post, the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) has approved the revised proposed price for First-Class Automated 5-Digit letters at \$0.389 as opposed to the original proposed price of \$0.391.

With this review the PRC now has approved all prices for Market Dominant Products and Services as part of the 2020 USPS Price Change filing that occurred on October 9, 2019.

The new pricing will take effect on January 26, 2020. Further information including the new prices can be found at <https://pe.usps.com/PriceChange/Index>.

The Postal Service has some of the lowest letter mail postage rates in the industrialized world and also continues to offer a great value in shipping. Unlike some other shippers, the Postal Service does not add surcharges for fuel, residential delivery, or regular Saturday or holiday season delivery. The Governors believe these new rates will keep the Postal Service competitive while providing the agency with needed revenue.

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