ability to provide ACS participants with address change information more frequently than as stated in the current standards.

Although exempt from the notice and comment requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553(b), (c)) regarding proposed rulemaking by 39 U.S.C. 410(a), the Postal Service invites comments on the following proposed revisions of the DMM, incorporated by reference in the

Code of Federal Regulations. See 39 CFR part 111.

List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 111Postal Service.

PART 111—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 39 CFR part 111 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 39 U.S.C. 101, 401, 403, 404, 3001–3011, 3201–3219, 3403–3406, 3621, 3626, 5001.

2. Revise the following units of the Domestic Mail Manual as noted below:

F010 Basic Information

5.0 TREATMENT OF CLASSES OF MAIL

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5.4 Fourth-Class Mail

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Mailer endorsement	USPS action
No Endorsement	Forwarded locally at no charge; out of town, as postage-due. If undeliverable or addressee refused to pay postage, mailpiece returned with new address or reason for nondelivery, subject to forwarding (where attempted) and return postage.
Do Not Forward, Do Not Return	No forwarding or return service provided; mailpiece disposed of by USPS.
Forwarding and Return Postage Guaranteed.	Forwarded locally at no charge; out of town, as postage-due. If undeliverable or addressee refused to pay postage, mailpiece returned with new address or reason for nondelivery, subject to forwarding (where attempted) and return postage.
Forwarding and Return Postage Guaranteed, Address Correction Requested (1).	Pièces from ACS Shipper Paid Forwarding participants: Forwarded locally and out of town at no charge to addressee. If forwarded, separate address-correction notice provided, subject to address-correction fee and (if forwarded out of town) forwarding postage (billed to mailer). If mailpiece undeliverable, mailpiece returned with new address or reason for nondelivery, subject to return postage. Other pieces: Forwarded locally at no charge; out of town, as postage-due. If forwarded, separate address-correction notice provided, subject to address-correction fee. If mailpiece undeliverable or addressee refused to pay postage, mailpiece returned with new address or reason for nondelivery, subject to forwarding (where attempted) and return postage.
Do Not Forward, Do Not Return, Address Correction Requested (2).	No forwarding or return service provided; separate address-correction notice provided, subject to address-correction fee; mailpiece disposed of by USPS.
Do Not Forward, Address Correction Requested, Return Postage Guaran- teed (3).	No forwarding service provided; mailpiece returned with new address or reason for nondelivery, subject to return postage.

(1) The authorized abbreviation for this endorsement is "Forward & Address Correction." This abbreviation is authorized where the full endorsement cannot be accommodated.

(2) The authorized abbreviation for this endorsement is "Do Not Forward or Return—Address Cor." This abbreviation is authorized where the full endorsement cannot be accommodated.

(3) The authorized abbreviation for this endorsement is "Do Not Forward—Address Cor— Return Guar." This abbreviation is authorized where the full endorsement cannot be accommodated.

6.0 ENCLOSURES OR ATTACHMENTS

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6.3 Fourth-Class

Undeliverable, unendorsed fourthclass mail with nonincidental First-Class Mail attachments or enclosures is forwarded, if requested by mailer endorsement, or returned at the applicable single-piece fourth-class rate. The weight of the First-Class attachment or enclosure is not included when computing the charges for return of the mailpiece. Undeliverable, unendorsed fourth-class mail with incidental First-Class attachments or enclosures is returned at the applicable single-piece fourth-class rate.

F020 Forwarding

3.0 POSTAGE FOR FORWARDING

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3.6 Fourth-Class

Fourth-class mail is subject to the collection of additional postage at the applicable rate for nonlocal forwarding if guaranteed by the sender or recipient. Unless endorsed "Do Not Forward, Do Not Return," all fourth-class mail is delivered as directed without additional postage charged when the old and new addresses are served by the same post office. The addressee may refuse any piece of forwarded fourth-class mail without losing the right to have other fourth-class mail forwarded. If the addressee does not want to pay forwarding postage for all fourth-class mail, the addressee must ask the postmaster of the new address to use Form 3546 to notify the postmaster of the old address to discontinue the forwarding of fourth-class mail. (Such a request will not affect the forwarding of fourth-class mail sent by SPF participants, who pay forwarding postage under F030.)

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F030 Address Correction, Address Change, and Return Services

2.0 ADDRESS CHANGE SERVICE (ACS)

2.1 Description

ACS centralizes, automates, and improves the processing of participating mailers' requests for address-correction information by unique publication or mailer identifier. Address-correction records are sequentially organized by USPS-assigned codes and distributed to each participating mailer.

2.2 Shipper Paid Forwarding (SPF)

An option available to ACS participants, SPF allows for the collection of forwarding and return postage from the sender by including those charges concurrently with ACS fees. Mail forwarded or returned under SPF remains subject to F010, F020, and 3.2. SPF may be requested only for parcels that, if mailed at inter-BMC parcel post rates, would not be subject to the nonmachinable surcharge. ACS/