



Supreme Court Rejects UPS Attempt to Raise USPS Prices

Bloomberg: [Supreme Court Rejects UPS on Postal Service Delivery Prices](#)

“The U.S. Supreme Court turned away a United Parcel Service Inc. appeal that aimed to force the U.S. Postal Service to raise its prices for delivering packages. The justices, without comment Monday, left intact an appeals court decision upholding the government’s method for determining how much the Postal Service can charge for parcels.”

The Hill: [Supreme Court won't take up UPS bid to raise Postal Service prices](#)

“The justices, in an unsigned order, rejected UPS’s request to appeal a lower court ruling upholding the postal service’s pricing methods. The delivery company had sought to force the federal Postal Service to raise its prices, claiming that it has an unfair advantage over its private competitors.”

Freight Waves: [Supreme Court declines to hear appeal challenging USPS parcel cost structure](#)

“The Supreme Court’s ruling, which was issued without comment, upholds a decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. The appellate court sided with the interpretation of the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC), an independent agency that approves, rejects and modifies postal rates, in determining to what degree parcel prices should cover “institutional” costs of the USPS, or the expenses required to operate the organization.”

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“Because USPS rates are controlled by the federal government, the Postal Regulatory Commission specifically, it is a popular last-mile delivery choice for Amazon and other online retailers for its comparatively low prices and its universal federal delivery mandate, which requires USPS to deliver everywhere in the U.S. This is a valuable distribution option for companies doing business with online customers who are spread across the country and drawn to affordable shipping options.”

Logistics Management: [Push by UPS to get USPS to raise package prices, brushed aside by U.S. Supreme Court](#)

“Gordon Glazer, senior consultant for San Diego-based parcel consultancy Shipware LLC, raised the question of: what other major industry has to allow their competitors to sit at the same table while justifying their pricing models for market competitive products? ‘UPS has spent a small fortune on lawyers and specialists trying to change the manner in which the USPS sets prices for its competitive (aka Shipping) products,’ he said. ‘UPS’s focus had been at the PRC (Postal Regulatory Commission) arguing cost methodologies for Operational costs. The USPS just finished the 10-year review on pricing despite all the challenges from UPS while increasing the level of cost coverage via annual price increases. Currently, USPS Shipping is overachieving the mandated Institutional portion of these costs, which was originally set at 5.5%. Last year they covered 23% of these costs.’”



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