



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Issued by the Department of Transportation on May 4, 1998

**NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST 96-1177**

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This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in this matter).

Application of American Airlines, Inc., filed 3/11/98 in Docket OST-96-1177 to:

XX Renew exemption under 49 U.S.C. 40109 to provide the following service:

**Scheduled foreign air transportation of property and mail between Miami, Florida, and San Juan, Puerto Rico, on the one hand, and Porlamar, Venezuela, on the other. American requested that its authority be renewed for an indefinite duration.**

Applicant rep.: Carl B. Nelson, 202-496-5647 DOT analyst: Sylvia Moore, 202-366-6519

DISPOSITION

XX Granted in part (see below)

XX Balance dismissed (*i.e.*, request for longer-term authority)

The above action was effective when taken: May 4, 1998, through May 4, 2000

Action taken by: **Paul L. Gretch, Director**  
**Office of International Aviation**

XX Authority granted is consistent with the overall state of aviation relations between the United States and Venezuela.

Except to the extent exempted or waived, this authority is subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations indicated:

XX Holder's certificate of public convenience and necessity

XX Standard Exemption Conditions (attached)

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**Special Conditions/Remarks:** Consistent with our standard practice for this type of application, we renewed American's exemption authority for a period of two years, and dismissed its request for longer-term authority.

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On the basis of data officially noticeable under Rule 24(n) of the Department's regulations, we found the applicant qualified to provide the services authorized.

(See Reverse Side)

Under authority assigned by the Department in its regulations, 14 CFR Part 385, we found that (1) immediate action was required and was consistent with Department policy; (2) grant of the authority was consistent with the public interest; and (3) grant of the authority would not constitute a major regulatory action under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975. To the extent not granted or dismissed, we denied all requests in the referenced Docket. We may amend, modify, or revoke the authority granted in this Notice at any time without hearing at our discretion.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of the action set forth in this Notice under the Department's regulations, 14 CFR §385.30, may file their petitions within ten (10) days after the date of issuance of this Notice. This action was effective when taken, and the filing of a petition for review will not alter such effectiveness.

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