



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

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NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST-98-3419

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 12/23/98 for:

XX Waiver from dormancy condition:

By Order 98-5-17, the Department granted certificate authority to American to provide service between New York and Tokyo and between Boston and Tokyo, and allocated it a total of fourteen weekly frequencies to operate seven weekly frequencies in each market. The frequencies are subject to the condition that they will expire automatically and revert to the Department for reallocation if they are not used for a period of 90 days. Under the terms of the order, the frequency allocation would expire January 30, 1999, i.e. 90 days after American's proposed start-up date of November 1, 1998. American has requested that the dormancy condition be waived until the necessary slots at Tokyo's Narita Airport are available for the inauguration of its service in these two markets.

Applicant rep.: Carl B. Nelson, Jr., (202) 496-5647 DOT analyst: Gerald Caolo, 202-366-2406

DISPOSITION

XX Granted, in part (see below)

XX Balance dismissed (see below)

The above action was effective when taken: January 28, 1999, through July 30, 1999

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

Remarks: The 90-day dormancy period will begin July 30, 1999, or the date on which American begins service in the New York-Tokyo and the Boston-Tokyo markets, whichever occurs earlier.

Dismissal: We decided to grant the carrier's request for a period of six months and to dismiss the balance, without prejudice to refile, should circumstances warrant. We concluded, taking into account all the circumstances presented, that the public interest would be best served by granting the request for a defined calendar period and evaluating any extension of the dormancy waiver based on the circumstances presented at that time.

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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; and (2) grant of the waiver was consistent with the public interest. 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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