



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, DC

Issued by the Department of Transportation on March 19, 1999

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST-97-2965

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 2/26/99 in Docket OST-97-2965 to:

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

Scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail between New York, Chicago, and San Juan, on the one hand, and Madrid, Spain, on the other. American intends to operate this service under a code-share arrangement with Iberia Lineas de Espana, S.A. American has requested the authority for an indefinite duration.

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

DISPOSITION

XX **Granted in part** (see below)

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

The above action was effective when taken: March 19, 1999, through March 19, 2001

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

XX **Authority granted is consistent with the aviation agreement between the United States and Spain.**

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

indicated: XX **Holder's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity**

XX **Standard Exemption Conditions (attached)**

XX **Statement of Authorization approving the referenced American/Iberia code-share operations dated April 30, 1998, and the conditions therein (Order 98-12-6)**

Dismissal: Consistent with our standard practice for this type of application, we granted American's exemption 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.

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 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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