



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

Issued by the Department of Transportation on June 22, 1999

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST-99-5727

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).

Applicant: **Aer Lingus Limited**

Date Filed: May 25, 1999

Relief requested: Petition for temporary waiver of section 257.5 of the Department's regulations to the extent that it would require Aer Lingus to disclose a wet-lease from World Airways during the remainder of 1999. Aer Lingus noted that the Department approved the wet lease on March 30, 1998, through October 31, 1999, for operations between New York and Belfast via Shannon. In support of its request, Aer Lingus stated, *inter alia*, that compliance with the Department's requirement would conflict with the security programs approved by the Federal Aviation Administration.¹

Applicant representative: R. Bruce Keiner, Jr. 202-624-2500

Responsive pleadings: We received no answers in response to Aer Lingus's petition.

DISPOSITION

Action: Approved

Action date: June 22, 1999

Effective dates of authority granted: June 22, 1999 - October 31, 1999

Remarks: In order to be consistent with the intent of the requirements of the security programs approved by the Federal Aviation Administration, and taking into account the nature and purpose of this wet lease, we believe that it is in the public interest to grant the requested waiver from 14 CFR Part 257 for the duration of the wet lease.

Action taken by: A. Bradley Mims
Acting Assistant Secretary for Aviation
and International Affairs

¹ Aer Lingus accompanied its petition with a motion pursuant to Rule 39 of the Department's Rules of Practice seeking confidential treatment. We granted the Aer Lingus request. Under Rule 39, this confidentiality determination becomes effective 5 days after the date of service of this notice unless a petition for reconsideration, or a statement of intent to seek judicial review, is filed before the effective date.

