



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

Issued by the Department of Transportation on March 1, 2000

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST-97-2240

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 1/27/00 to:

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

Scheduled foreign air transportation of property and mail between New York, New York; Chicago, Illinois; Los Angeles, California; and Honolulu, Hawaii; on the one hand, and Nadi, Fiji; and Sydney and Melbourne, Australia; on the other. American intends to operate this service pursuant to a blocked-space/code-share arrangement with Qantas Airways Limited under which American will place its designator code on flights operated by Qantas.

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

DISPOSITION

XX **Granted** (subject to conditions, see below)

The above action was effective when taken: March 1, 2000, through March 1, 2002

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

XX **The exemption authority granted is consistent with the aviation agreements between the United States and Australia and between the United States and Fiji.**

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)**

XX **Statement of authorization for American/Qantas code-share operations granted April 15, 1998, and conditions therein**

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; (2) grant of the exemption 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, 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.

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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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