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

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NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST 97-2527 - 11

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 2/7/02 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 Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas, and Caracas, Venezuela. American requested that its authority be renewed for an indefinite duration.**

Applicant rep: Carl B. Nelson, Jr. (202) 496-5647 DOT Analyst: Linda Senese (202) 366-2367

DISPOSITION

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

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

The above action was effective when taken: February 25, 2002, through February 25, 2004, or until 90 days after final Department action on American's corresponding certificate applications in Dockets 49547 and 48548, whichever occurs earlier.

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

**XX** The authority granted is consistent with the aviation agreement 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 certificates of public convenience and necessity

**XX** Standard Exemption Conditions (attached)

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.

On the basis of data officially noticeable under Rule 24(g) 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) our action was consistent with Department policy; (2) grant of the exemption 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 seven (7) 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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