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ORDER 2001-3-18



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

Issued by the Department of Transportation  
on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March, 2001

Essential Air Service at

**YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA**

Under 49 U.S.C. 41731 *et seq.*

Docket OST-2000-8321-7

Served: March 19, 2001

**ORDER EXTENDING SERVICE OBLIGATION**

**Summary**

By this order, the Department of Transportation is extending Great Lakes' service obligation at Yankton, South Dakota, for another 30 days, through April 16, 2001.<sup>1</sup>

**Background**

On November 15, 2000, Great Lakes Aviation, Ltd., d/b/a United Express (Great Lakes), filed a 90-day notice of its intent to terminate its scheduled service at Yankton, South Dakota, effective February 14, 2001. By Order 2001-2-7, the Department tentatively terminated Yankton's subsidy eligibility because the subsidy-per-passenger exceeded the \$200-per-passenger statutory ceiling but allowed a 20-day period for objections.

Since we have received objections, we will require Great Lakes to continue its service at Yankton for 30 days, in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 41734(c), or until we issue a final order dealing with the objections.

This order is issued under authority assigned in 14 CFR 385.12(k)(5).

**ACCORDINGLY,**

1. We require Great Lakes Aviation, Ltd., d/b/a United Express, to maintain essential air service at Yankton, South Dakota, as set forth in Appendix B of Order 99-4-7, for an additional 30-day period through April 16, 2001, or until a final order is issued, whichever occurs first;

<sup>1</sup> Since April 15<sup>th</sup> is a Sunday, this 30-day hold-in period will end on Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.  
(See 14 C.F.R. 302.16)

2. We direct Great Lakes to retain all books, records, and other source and summary documentation to support subsidy claims for payment, and to preserve and maintain such documentation in a manner that readily permits its audit and examination by representatives of the Department. Such documentation shall be retained for seven years or until the Department indicates that the records may be destroyed. Copies of flight logs for aircraft sold or disposed of must be retained. The carrier may forfeit its compensation for any claim that is not supported under the terms of this order;

3. Docket OST-2000-8321 will remain open until further order of the Department; and

4. We will serve a copy of this order on the Mayor and Airport Manager of Yankton, South Dakota, and Great Lakes Aviation, Ltd., d/b/a United Express.

By:

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