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**U.S. Department of
Transportation**
Office of the Secretary
of Transportation

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN

December 4, 1997

This serves as interim notice to the public of the action described below, taken orally by the Department official indicated; the confirming order or other decision document will be issued as soon as possible.

Application of United Parcel Service Co. filed 12/1/97 in Docket OST-97-3178 for:

XX Exemption from Order 96-9-16; startup deadline:

By Order 96-9-16 the Department allocated United Parcel Service six weekly all-cargo frequencies for services in the U.S.-Thailand market. That award was subject to the condition that it will expire automatically and the frequencies will revert to the Department for reallocation if they are not used for a period of 90 days. Under the terms of the order UPS' frequency allocation would expire on April 1, 1997, if UPS did not begin service by that date. UPS commenced service with one of the six frequencies by the April 1 startup date. On March 14, 1997, UPS filed for an exemption to extend the startup of five frequencies to September 1, 1997. The Department granted UPS' application by Notice of Action Taken dated March 28, 1997 (see Order 97-5-6). UPS seeks an exemption to the extent necessary to extend its proposed startup date for five frequencies to June 30, 1998. UPS states that because of existing economic conditions in Thailand, the optimum date to commence its operations for the five frequencies is June 30, 1998.

Applicant rep.: David L. Vaughan, 202-955-9864 DOT analyst: Sylvia Moore, 202-366-6519

DISPOSITION

XX Granted (see below)

The above action was effective when taken: December 3, 1997, through June 30, 1998

XX Under assigned authority (14 CFR 385) by:

Paul L. Gretch, Director
Office of International Aviation
(Petitions for review may be filed from now until
10 days after the confirming order/letter issues.
Filing of a petition shall not stay the effectiveness of

Remarks: The 90-day dormancy period will begin June 30, 1998, UPS' proposed new startup date for its five U.S.-Thailand all-cargo frequencies.

We acted on this application without awaiting expiration of the 15-day answer period with the consent of all parties served.

