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JULY 12, 1999 - JULY 16, 1999

Order	Docket	Summary	Date Action Taken
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99-7-4	OST-98-3857	<p>APPLICATION OF INLAND AVIATION SERVICES, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY UNDER 49 U.S.C. 41102 TO ENGAGE IN INTERSTATE SCHEDULED AIR TRANSPORTATION OF PERSONS, PROPERTY AND MAIL: The Department tentatively finds that Inland Aviation Services, Inc., is a citizen of the United States and is fit, willing, and able to provide interstate scheduled air transportation of persons, property and mail and should be issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity for such operations. Interested persons having objections to the issuance of an order making final any of the proposed findings, conclusions or the certificate award set forth here are directed to file them no later than 14 calendar days after the service date of this order; answers to objections shall be filed no later than 7 calendar days thereafter. Served: July 12, 1999 (#)</p>	7/8/99
99-7-5	OST-99-5741 (R-1 THRU R-12)	<p>THE DEPARTMENT APPROVES AND GRANTS ANTITRUST IMMUNITY TO THE IATA AGREEMENT, SUBJECT, WHERE APPLICABLE, TO CONDITIONS PREVIOUSLY IMPOSED WHICH: Is comprised of resolutions between the South West Pacific Region of Area 3 and North America/Caribbean. The agreement amends selected fares between Continued.....</p>	7/12/99

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99-7-5	OST-99-5741 R-1 THRU R-12	<p>these areas to reflect those filed in the marketplace, and increases first and intermediate class fares from Australia to Canada seven and three percent, respectively, to offset increased costs. The current three-season excursion fare structure from North America is changed to four seasons, effective October 1, 1999, with new peak season round-trip fares \$100 over the current peak levels.</p> <p>Served: July 14, 1999</p>	7/12/99
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99-7-6	OST-99-5801 R-1 AND R-2	<p>THE DEPARTMENT APPROVES AND GRANTS ANTITRUST IMMUNITY TO THE IATA AGREEMENT, SUBJECT, WHERE APPLICABLE, TO CONDITIONS PREVIOUSLY IMPOSED WHICH: Introduces companion fares on intermediate class service for travel from Japan to Guam and Saipan in order to stimulate traffic. The fares carry a 2/14 day minimum/maximum stay requirement; have 7-day deadlines for reservations and ticketing; allow stopovers; require that both passengers travel together; and are subject to penalties for cancellation.</p> <p>Served: July 15, 1999</p>	7/13/99
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99-7-7	OST-98-4838	<p>APPLICATION OF PUERTO RICO AIRWAYS, CORP. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY UNDER 49 U.S.C. 41102 TO ENGAGE IN INTERSTATE SCHEDULED AIR TRANSPORTATION OF PERSONS, PROPERTY, AND MAIL:</p> <p>The Department tentatively finds that Puerto Rico Airways Corp. ("PRA") is fit, willing, and able to provide interstate scheduled air transportation of persons, property, and mail as a certificated air carrier. Interested persons</p> <p>Continued.....</p>	7/13/99
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99-7-7	OST-98-4838	<p>Continued..... having objections to the issuance of an order making final any of the proposed findings, conclusions or the certificate award set forth here are directed to file them no later than 14 calendar days after the service date of this order; answers to objections shall be filed no later than 7 calendar days thereafter. Served: July 13, 1999 (#)</p>	7/13/99
99-7-8	OST-96-1705 R-1 THRU R-10 OST-96-1972 R-1 THRU R-3	<p>THE DEPARTMENT APPROVES AND GRANTS ANTITRUST IMMUNITY TO THE IATA AGREEMENT, SUBJECT, WHERE APPLICABLE, TO CONDITIONS PREVIOUSLY IMPOSED WHICH: Proposes a variety of changes to IATA's pricing unit fare construction rules, set forth in the 017 series of resolutions, for normal (first, intermediate [business] and economy fares. Served: July 16, 1999</p> <p>RULEMAKING:</p>	7/14/99
	OST-95-179 OST-95-623 OST-95-177	<p>PETITIONS INVOLVING THE EFFECTIVE DATES OF THE DISCLOSURE OF CODE-SHARING ARRANGEMENTS AND LONG-TERM WET LEASES FINAL RULE AND THE DISCLOSURE OF CHANGE-OF-GAUGE SERVICES FINAL RULE: ACTION: Final Rule and Notice of Proposed Disposition of Petitions SUMMARY: Two new rules that the Department of Transportation adopted on March 15, 1999, the Final Rule on Disclosure of Code-Sharing Arrangement and Long-Term Wet Leases, 14 CFR part 257 ("Code-Share Rule"), and the Final Rule on</p> <p>Continued..... Continued.....</p>	7/15/99

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<p>OST-95-179 OST-95-623 OST-95-177</p>		<p>Disclosure of Change-of-Gauge Services, 14 CFR part 258 ("Change-of-Gauge Rule"), are both scheduled to go into effect on July 13, 1999. These rules will enable consumers to make informed choices about their air transportation and to travel without undue confusion. We have received one petition requesting a waiver until October 15, 1999, of the Code-Share Rule's requirement that the transporting carrier's corporate and network names be disclosed. We grant this petition. We have also received seven petitions requesting delay of both rules' effective date, one to mid-October, 1999, and six to March 15, 2000; one of these seeks an additional grace period until September 15, 2000, for tour operators. These latter petitions cite Computer Reservations Systems' ("CRSs") and other information systems' programming and software problems related to the year 2000 ("Y2K") as justification for delaying the rules' effective date. We are postponing the effective date of both rules until August 25, 1999, and we are requesting comment on our tentative findings that those parts of the rules that are not affected by CRS reprogramming should take effect on August 25, that the effective date of those parts of the rules that are affected by CRS reprogramming should be further postponed until March 15, 2000, and that as a matter of discretion we should refrain from enforcing both rules in their entirety against the tour operators for an additional grace period of six months.</p>	<p>7/15/99</p>