

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

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Issued by the Department of Transportation
on the 1st day of February, 1993

Notice of Intent of

**EXEC EXPRESS II, d/b/a
LONE STAR AIRLINES**

**Dockets 42566
43777**

to terminate service at El Dorado/Camden
and Jonesboro, Arkansas, under section 419
of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as
amended

ORDER EXTENDING SERVICE OBLIGATION

On July 8, 1992, Exec Express II, d/b/a Lone Star Airlines (Lone Star), filed an emergency request for subsidy relief for its service between Jonesboro and El Dorado/Camden, Arkansas, on the one hand, and Memphis, on the other.¹ By Order 92-11-54, November 27, 1992, the Department treated the carrier's emergency request as a 90-day notice to suspend service, instituted a carrier selection case, solicited carrier proposals for Jonesboro and El Dorado/Camden, and temporarily set a new service level and subsidy rate for Lone Star's service at these two points over the routing Jonesboro-El Dorado/Camden-Dallas/Ft. Worth. That order also redefined essential air service for Jonesboro and El Dorado/Camden. Proposals, with subsidy requests, to provide essential air service at Jonesboro and El Dorado/Camden were received from Lone Star.

This case will not be completed before the end of the current hold-in period, February 1, 1993. In order to ensure the continuation of essential air service by Lone Star, and in accordance with section 419(b)(5) of the Act, we will therefore extend the carrier's obligation to maintain service at Jonesboro and El Dorado/Camden for an additional 30-day period, through March 3, 1993.

This order is issued under authority assigned in 14 CFR 385.

¹ Lone Star also provides essential air service between El Dorado/Camden and Dallas/Ft. Worth. That service, however, was not the subject of a 90-day notice.

ACCORDINGLY,

1. The Department prohibits Exec Express II, d/b/a Lone Star Airlines, from suspending service at Jonesboro and El Dorado/Camden, Arkansas, and requires it to maintain service at the communities, as set forth in Order 92-11-54, for an additional 30-day period, through March 3, 1993, or until completion of the carrier selection case, whichever occurs first;²
2. The Department directs Exec Express II, d/b/a Lone Star Airlines, to retain all books, records, and other source and summary documentation to support claims for compensation for service the carrier is required to provide at Jonesboro and El Dorado/Camden, Arkansas, and to preserve and maintain such documentation in a manner that readily permits the audit and examination thereof by representatives of the Department; and
3. The Department will serve a copy of this order on the mayors and airport managers of Jonesboro and El Dorado/Camden, the Departments of Transportation for Arkansas, and Exec Express II, d/b/a Lone Star Airlines.

By:

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Director
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² In accordance with section 419, we will extend Lone Star's service obligation for successive 30-day periods, as necessary, until we complete the case.