

93-44

April 29, 1998

Paul L. Gretch  
Director  
Office of International Aviation  
Department of Transportation  
400 7th Street, S.W.  
Room 6401  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Joint Application of American Airlines, Inc.  
and Aero California, S.A. de C.V. for Renewal  
of Statements of Authorization Under 14 CFR  
Parts 207 and 212 (Codesharing)

Dear Mr. Gretch:

American Airlines, Inc. (and its regional American Eagle affiliates) and Aero California, S.A. de C.V. hereby jointly apply, under 14 CFR Parts 207 and 212, for renewal of their respective statements of authorization to engage in certain reciprocal codesharing services.

The subject authority was initially granted by Order 97-7-31, July 29, 1997; affirmed by Order 97-9-38, September 29, 1997; renewed under assigned authority, December 18, 1997; amended by Notice of Action Taken (undocketed), March 20, 1998; and clarified by Notice of Action Taken (undocketed), April 27, 1998.

The American/Aero California codesharing authority is set to expire on June 14, 1998. For the reasons stated in the joint answer of American and Aero California, submitted on April 24, 1998, to the codeshare renewal applications of Delta/Aeromexico and United/Mexicana (undocketed), the Department should renew the respective authorizations for a limited term; should press the Mexican aeronautical authorities for prompt liberalization of the U.S.-Mexico Air Transport Agreement; and should closely tie any further renewals to progress in bilateral negotiations.

Respectfully submitted,

*David H. Coburn* COB

DAVID H. COBURN  
Steptoe & Johnson LLP  
1330 Connecticut Ave., N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20036  
(202) 429-8063  
(202) 429-3902 (fax)

Attorney for Aero  
California, S.A. de  
C.V.

*Carl B. Nelson, Jr.*

CARL B. NELSON, JR.  
Associate General Counsel  
American Airlines, Inc.  
1101 17th Street, N.W.  
Suite 600  
Washington, D.C. 20036  
(202) 496-5647  
(202) 857-4246 (fax)  
carl\_nelson@amrcorp.com  
(email)

/ab  
Attachment

cc: Terri Bingham  
George Wellington  
Linda Lundell  
Allen Brown  
Service list