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U.S. Department of Transportation
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Re: Renewal of Emery Air/Aer Lingus Wet-Lease Authority

Dear Ms. Bingham:

Emery Worldwide Airlines, Inc. ("Emery Air") applies to renew, for a one-year period, its Statement of Authorization pursuant to Sections 207.10 and 208.5 of the Department's regulations permitting Emery Air to conduct wet-lease operations for Aer Lingus Limited ("Aer Lingus"). Emery Air relies on the automatic extension provisions of 5 U.S.C. § 558(c) and Part 377 of the Department's regulations so as to continue its existing wet-lease authority beyond the current expiration date of July 17, 1998, pending action on this renewal request.

In support of this renewal request, Emery Air states as follows:

1. On December 19, 1997, the Department granted Emery Air a Statement of Authorization permitting Emery Air to implement a long-term wet-lease agreement with Aer Lingus under which Emery Air provides a DC-8-73 freighter with crew to Aer Lingus for one weekly roundtrip scheduled all-cargo flight over a Dublin/Shannon-Chicago-Shannon/Dublin routing. Emery Air and Aer Lingus expect to extend their long-term wet-lease agreement for an additional one-year period beyond the current July 17, 1998 expiration date.

2. Emery Air and Aer Lingus remain fully qualified to operate the service covered by this renewal request. Emery Air holds certificate authority to conduct

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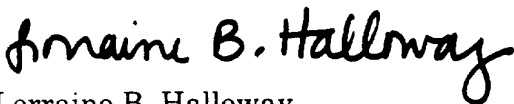
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all-cargo charter air transportation on a worldwide basis. (Order 89-12-45) Aer Lingus has authority to engage in scheduled foreign transportation of persons, property and mail between inter alia, Dublin/Shannon and Chicago. (Order 91-5-28)

3. The same public interest considerations that led the Department to grant Emery Air's December 2, 1997 request for authority to wet lease aircraft to Aer Lingus for Chicago-Shannon/Dublin cargo service support extension of that authority. The wet-lease arrangement permits Aer Lingus to maintain its cargo capacity in the Chicago-Ireland market, thus benefiting the shipping public. The wet-lease operation additionally increases utilization of Emery Air's fleet and provides additional revenue to the U.S. carrier. (E.g., Order 93-3-17 at 9)

For the foregoing reasons, Emery Air respectfully asks the Department to renew, for a one-year period, its Statement of Authorization permitting Emery Air to wet lease aircraft to Aer Lingus for one weekly roundtrip Chicago-Shannon/Dublin all-cargo flight. Emery Air relies on the automatic extension provisions of 5 U.S.C. § 558(c) and 14 C.F.R. Part 377 to continue its authority beyond the July 17, 1998 expiration date pending a final determination on this renewal request.

Respectfully submitted,



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