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

Issued by the Department of Transportation
on the 2nd day of January, 2001

Joint application of

**TAQUAN AIR SERVICE, INC.
and
VENTURE TRAVEL, LLC
d/b/a TAQUAN AIR**

Docket OST-00-8212

for approval of a transfer of certificate authority under 49
U.S.C. 41105

**ORDER ISSUING EFFECTIVE CERTIFICATE
AND CONFIRMING ORAL ACTION**

Summary

By this order, we (1) confirm our oral action taken with respect to Venture Travel, LLC d/b/a Taquan Air and (2) reissue to the carrier its certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing it to engage in interstate scheduled air transportation to reflect its effective date.

Background

By Order 2000-12-10, served December 20, 2000, the Department found that Venture Travel, LLC d/b/a Taquan Air was fit, willing, and able to conduct interstate scheduled air transportation and transferred to it the certificate previously issued to Taquan Air Service, Inc.

The authority granted by the transferred certificate was to become effective on the sixth (business) day after we had received, among other things, a copy of Taquan's Air Carrier Certificate and Operations Specifications from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) authorizing it to engage in such operations, a description of any fitness-related changes the company had undergone since the date of the order in this case, and our receipt of evidence

that the company had obtained liability insurance coverage meeting the requirements of 14 CFR 205.5(b) for all of its aircraft.

On December 21, 2000, Taquan submitted the required evidence of appropriate FAA authority and a statement indicating that it had not undergone any fitness-related changes. It did not, however, submit the required evidence of insurance and a check with the FAA office that handles such forms found that the insurance of record for Taquan was at the air taxi limits only. Therefore, the company was advised that its authority could not be made effective. Evidence of the appropriate level of insurance was received on December 29. As the company had previously fulfilled all of the other terms for receipt of effective authority, and had informally requested a waiver from the standard six-day waiting period, we advised the carrier on that same date that we were making its section 41102 certificate authority effective immediately. By this order, we confirm that action and reissue to Taquan its interstate scheduled certificate to reflect the December 29, 2000, effective date.

ACCORDINGLY, Acting under authority assigned by the Department in its Regulations, 14 CFR 385.12:

1. We confirm our oral action of December 29, 2000, granting Venture Travel, LLC d/b/a Taquan Air a waiver from the six-day waiting period and making its section 41102 certificate authority effective on that same date.
2. We reissue to Venture Travel, LLC d/b/a Taquan Air the interstate scheduled section 41102 certificate transferred to it by Order 2000-12-10 in the attached form to reflect its effective date.¹
3. We direct Venture Travel, LLC d/b/a Taquan Air to submit to the Air Carrier Fitness Division a first year progress report within 45 days following the end of its first year of actual flight operations under its transferred authority.²
4. We will serve a copy of this order on the persons listed in Attachment A.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of this order under the Department's Regulations, 14 CFR 385.30, may file their petitions within 10 days of the service date of this order.

¹ According to its terms, the reissued certificate restricts Taquan to operations using small (under 10-seat) aircraft. In the event Taquan wishes to institute operations using larger aircraft, it must first be determined fit for such operations.

² The report should include a description of the carrier's current operations (number and type of aircraft, principal markets served, total number of full-time and part-time employees), a summary of how these operations have changed during the year, a discussion of any changes it anticipates from its current operations during its second year, current financial statements, and a listing of current senior management and key technical personnel.

The action confirmed in this order was effective when taken and the filing of a petition for review shall not alter its effectiveness.

By:

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Acting Director
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