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(Venezuela-U.S.)	:	

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Santa Barbara, S.A. ("Santa Barbara" or "Applicant") hereby amends its application, above-referenced, to add a request to serve Ft. Lauderdale, Florida as a point in the United States, limited to wet lease service, which authorization would be based upon reciprocity and comity. In support of this Amendment No. 1, Santa Barbara respectfully represents and alleges as follows:

1. Santa Barbara desires to reach an agreement with a U.S. certificated air carrier to provide the wet-lease services for which it has applied in this Docket. However, the U.S. carrier utilizes the Fort Lauderdale gateway as its principal service point in this area and service via the Miami gateway would be costly, inconvenient and not suitable for its operations. Accordingly, Santa Barbara requests the Department of Transportation (the "Department") to authorize Santa Barbara to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of passengers, property and mail between including the points Caracas and Maracaibo, Venezuela and Fort Lauderdale, Florida, limited to a long term wet lease arrangement with a U.S. certificated air carrier to be filed and approved by the Department.

2. Grant of the authority requested in this Amendment No. 1 would be on the basis of reciprocity and comity between the United States and Venezuela. Applicant strongly believes that the Government of Venezuela is disposed to give favorable treatment to United States carriers and specifically that the U. S. certificated air carrier wet lessor will in fact be allowed to operate to and from Venezuela in connection with the wet lease arrangement.

Applicant continues to request approval of the authority described in its original application as filed December 1, 2000 in this Docket.

3. Except as modified by this Amendment No. 1, the representations set forth in its application, including information concerning ownership, operations, and financial data are as set forth and continue to be true and correct.

4. Santa Barbara requests expedited action on this Amendment No. 1 and it will poll persons served and advise the Department of any comments or objections that such person(s) may have.

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing representations and the factual materials set forth in Applicant's exhibits, Santa Barbara Airlines, C.A. respectfully requests that the Department of Transportation, acting pursuant to 49 U.S.A. section 40109, will grant an exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. section 41301 authorizing Applicant to engage in the scheduled foreign air transportation as described, and take such other or further action, consistent with the premises herein, as may be in the public interest.

Respectfully submitted,

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