

BEFORE THE  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

1998 U.S. - Japan Combination Service  
Proceeding

Dockets OST 98-3419

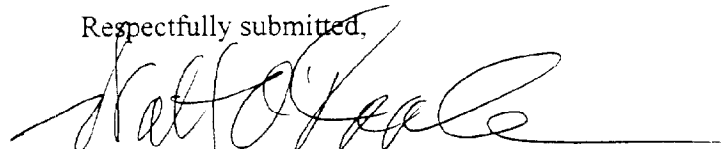
ANSWER OF CITY OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

The City of Kansas City, Missouri hereby answers in support of TWA's amended application for St. Louis-Tokyo authority and for an allocation of seven weekly frequencies to provide this service. The proposed service will allow Missouri companies to develop and strengthen trade relationships that are critical to Missouri and the region and is essential to Missouri's business community.

A number of Japanese companies have offices in Kansas City; continued growth in this area would be expected with the creation of a nonstop route. It is critical that Missouri have a nonstop route to Japan to remain competitive with other states in attracting investment from Japan.

TWA is one of Kansas City's largest employers and is a major contributor to Kansas City's economy. Strengthening TWA is very important to Kansas City.

Respectfully submitted,

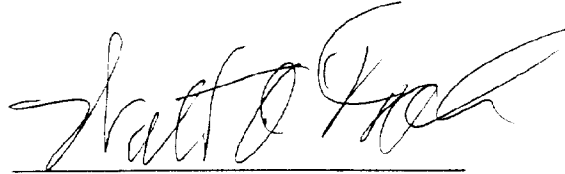


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February 13, 1998

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have on this day served a copy of the foregoing document upon all persons named on the attached service list by causing copies thereof, postage prepaid, to be mailed to each of them.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Walter J. O'Toole", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned above a horizontal line.

Walter J. O'Toole

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