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BEFORE THE  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
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Ninety day notice of  
  
GREAT LAKES AVIATION, LTD.  
  
of intent to terminate service  
at Norfolk, NE pursuant to  
Part 323 (14 CFR) and Section  
401 (j)(1) of the Federal Aviation  
Act of 1958, as amended.  
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Docket 81-98-3704

NOTICE OF GREAT LAKES AVIATION, LTD.  
  
TO TERMINATE ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE  
  
AT NORFOLK, NE

Pursuant to Section 401 (j)(1) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended, Great Lakes Aviation, Ltd. hereby serves its notice of intent to terminate the scheduled air service it is providing at Norfolk, NE.

In accordance with Part 323 (14 CFR), Great Lakes Aviation, Ltd. supplies the following information:

1. Identification of carrier

Great Lakes Aviation, Ltd.  
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2. At the time of the filing of this notice, Great Lakes Aviation, Ltd. is the sole carrier providing scheduled air service at Norfolk, NE.
3. The service being offered is as follows:

Flight#	From	Departure	To	Arrival	Frequency
6040	OFK	6:36a	MSP	8:14a	Ex Sa Su
6042	OFK	8:46a	MSP	10:22a	Sa only
6042	OFK	9:51a	MSP	11:27a	Su only
6044	OFK	11:51a	MSP	1:27p	Ex Sa Su
6048	OFK	3:21p	MSP	4:59p	Su only
6046	OFK	5:21p	MSP	6:59p	Ex Sa Su
6041	MSP	8:40a	OFK	10:22a	Ex Sa Su
6043	MSP	12:00n	OFK	1:43p	Su only
6043	MSP	1:35p	OFK	3:19p	Sa only
6045	MSP	2:00p	OFK	3:43p	Ex Sa Su
6047	MSP	6:15p	OFK	7:59p	Su only
6049	MSP	8:15p	OFK	9:59p	Ex Sa

OFK - Norfolk, NE

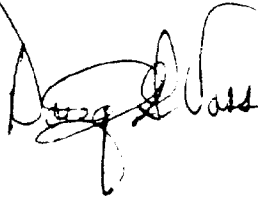
MSP - Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN International Airport

All flights operate one-stop in 19 seat Beech 1900 equipment.

4. The effective date of this notice is April 1, 1998.
5. The effective date of this intended termination is June 30, 1998 (the last day of scheduled service will be June 29, 1998).
6. Both Omaha, Nebraska and Sioux City, Iowa are located within a reasonable driving distance from the Norfolk area. The availability of discount fares at Omaha on Southwest and America West Airlines as well as frequent jet service at Omaha to 17 destinations/hubs by ten airlines provides a substantial competitive attraction that cannot be competed against from the Norfolk airport. In addition, at Sioux City two carriers provide 13 daily flights to their respective hub cities.
7. Great Lakes operates its Norfolk flights as United Express under a comprehensive marketing agreement with United Airlines. Because United's schedule service at Minneapolis/St. Paul is limited to flights to Chicago-O'Hare and Denver, itineraries involving United Express/United Airlines require a double connection between Norfolk and virtually every destination.

8. In spite of well-timed schedules, very low fares and sales efforts involving direct selling and local promotions, revenues generated in the Norfolk-Minneapolis/St. Paul market are far short of the amounts projected under the current order establishing subsidy rates. Great Lakes Aviation is unable to sustain the continuing losses associated with serving this market.
9. The Department has made a determination of the level of essential air service for the point involved (Order 97-8-9) and Great Lakes's suspension of service will reduce service below the determined EAS level.
10. Objections, if any, to this Notice are due on April 20, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas G. Voss  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Spencer, Iowa  
March 31, 1998