

BEFORE THE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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EVERGREEN INTERNATIONAL)
AIRLINES, INC.)
) DOCKET OST-00-7343
for an exemption and reallocation of)
frequencies (U.S.-Ecuador foreign all-)
cargo air transportation))
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ANSWER OF ATLAS AIR, INC.

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On May 8, 2000, Evergreen International Airlines, Inc. (“Evergreen”) filed an application seeking (1) exemption authority to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of property and mail between Miami, Florida and the co-terminal points Guayaquil, Latacunga and Quito, Ecuador, and (2) reallocation to Evergreen of two of the three U.S.-Ecuador all-cargo frequencies currently allocated to Kitty Hawk International, Inc. (“Kitty Hawk”). Evergreen proposes to operate one weekly B-747-100/200 all-cargo round trip over a Miami-Quito-Guayaquil routing. Atlas Air Inc., opposes Evergreen’s application and in support of this answer states as follows:

Atlas has contemporaneously filed an application for an exemption to serve the Miami-Bogota-Quito/Guayaquil market and has asked that Kitty Hawk’s three U.S.-Ecuador frequencies be reallocated to Atlas. It proposes to operate one weekly B-747-200/400 round

trip and a second round trip every other week. Atlas is a superior choice to Evergreen for this valuable route for a myriad of reasons:

- Atlas proposes more service in the U.S.-Ecuador market.
- Atlas proposes to use superior equipment with greater capacity.
- Atlas currently operates 4-5 cargo charters per week in the U.S.-Ecuador market and is very familiar with the needs of that market.
- Atlas is the largest cargo airline serving Miami International Airport.
- Atlas' South American operations are far more extensive than Evergreen's.
- Atlas has far more experience in serving the U.S.-South America cargo market.

For all the above reasons, the selection of Atlas, rather than Evergreen, for this route will yield more public benefits and result in better utilization of the valuable bilateral rights contained in the U.S.-Ecuador aviation agreement.

WHEREFORE, Atlas Air, Inc., respectfully requests that the Department deny the application of Evergreen International Airlines, Inc., herein and grant Atlas' application in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this 23rd day of May, 2000, served a copy of the foregoing Answer of Atlas Air, Inc., upon those persons on the attached list by first class U.S. mail, postage prepaid.

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