

BEFORE THE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
BUREAU OF TRANSPORTATION STATISTICS
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Motion of

DELTA AIR LINES, INC.

for Confidential Treatment of Documents
Under Rule 39 of the Rules of Practice of the
Department of Transportation, 14 CFR 302.39

Docket OST-95-651
(formerly Docket 48649)

**MOTION OF DELTA AIR LINES, INC.
FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
PURSUANT TO RULE 39**

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Delta Air Lines, Inc. (Delta) hereby submits this motion to withhold from public disclosure certain information contained in Delta's Form 41, Schedule B-7, Airframe and Aircraft Engine Acquisitions and Retirements Report for the quarter ending December 31, 1998, submitted herewith under seal pursuant to Rule 39 of the Rules of Practice of the Department of Transportation (DOT).¹

By letter dated August 23, 1994 to Delta from Mr. James W. Mitchell, Director, Office of Airline Statistics, Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), the Department determined that the financial information contained in Delta's Schedule B-7

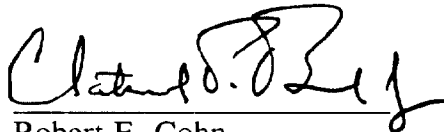
¹ Concurrently herewith, Delta is submitting five copies of the same report to the Research And Special Programs Administration pursuant to Part 241 of the Economic Regulations, redacted to delete certain confidential financial information from the publicly-available copies of Delta's Schedule B-7 report.

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and Schedule B-43 reports is confidential and contains competitively-sensitive data, and that withholding such confidential data from public disclosure is warranted by, and consistent with, Exemptions 3 and 4 of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3) and (4)). In that decision, the Department has ruled that the confidential data contained in Delta's Schedule B-7 and B-43 reports will be withheld from public disclosure for a period of ten (10) years from the date on which it is filed. The foregoing ruling applies with equal validity to Delta's Schedule B-7 Report for the quarter ended December 31, 1998.

WHEREFORE, Delta respectfully moves the Department to withhold the financial information contained in Delta's Schedule B-7 Report for the quarter ended December 31, 1998, filed concurrently herewith under seal, from public disclosure for a period of ten (10) years, through December 31, 2008, pursuant to Rule 39 of the Rules of Practice.

Respectfully submitted,



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