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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ECONOMIC SECTION  
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Application of :  
AMERICAN AIRLINES, INC. : OST-97-3269  
for allocation of seven weekly U.S.- :  
Brazil combination frequencies :  
(Miami-Manaus) :  
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Application of :  
CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, INC. : OST-97-3273  
under 49 USC 41108 and 41102 for a :  
certificate of public convenience and :  
necessity (Houston-Brazil) and U.S.- :  
Brazil frequency allocation :  
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Application of :  
UNITED AIR LINES, INC. : OST-97-3271  
for a combination frequency allocation :  
under the U.S.-Brazil bilateral Air Ser- :  
vices Agreement of 1989, as amended :  
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MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE OF AMERICAN AIRLINES, INC.

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American Airlines, Inc. hereby moves for leave to file one day late its motion to consolidate the captioned applications for U.S.-Brazil authority. We inadvertently did not meet the due date on January 2, 1998, but do not believe

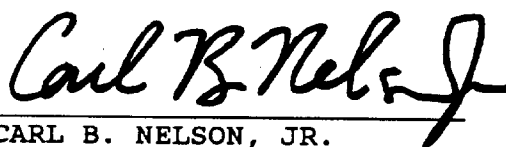
that our late filing will prejudice any party or otherwise delay the Department's consideration of this matter.

On December 19, 1997, American moved to consolidate its application for Miami-Manaus authority with that of Delta Air Lines, Inc. for New York-Brazil authority (OST-97-3151), filed on November 21, 1997. Also on December 19, 1997, additional U.S.-Brazil applications were filed by Continental Airlines, Inc. (Houston-Brazil) and by United Air Lines, Inc. (Los Angeles-Sao Paulo). Under the U.S.-Brazil Air Transport Agreement, as amended, these applications are mutually exclusive, and should be consolidated for contemporaneous review and decision.

In that proceeding, American will demonstrate that grant of its application to provide Miami-Manaus service is in the public interest. No U.S.-flag carrier presently operates service to Manaus, the largest city in the Amazon region of Brazil and a growing center of economic activity due to its status as a free port. American will provide substantial benefits in the local market (in competition with operations by Varig and Lloyd Aereo Boliviano), and in dozens of beyond markets that will receive convenient on-line connections at Miami.

Accordingly, American requests consolidation, and expedited approval of its application so that it may begin Miami-Manaus service on October 1, 1998, the date the required frequencies become effective under the MOC.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Carl B. Nelson, Jr." in a cursive style.

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