

# American Airlines®

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Assistant Secretary for Aviation  
and International Affairs  
Department of Transportation  
400 7th Street, S.W.  
Room 10228  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Streamlining Regulatory Procedures (OST-2005-22228)

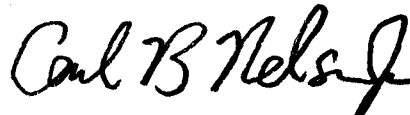
Dear Mr. Bhatia:

American Airlines, Inc. hereby responds to the Department's notice of August 23, 2005 in the captioned docket with respect to "the full range of carriers that would wish to be included and the full scope of the authorities that they would want to be covered by a route integration award" (p. 3).

American would wish to be included in the proposed route integration award, and urges that the authority granted be expressed in the broadest possible terms, i.e., carriers may integrate all of their certificate and exemption authority to the full extent permitted by applicable bilateral agreements. The authority should not be limited to integration of certificates and exemptions in existence at the time of the award, as such a limitation would require constant amendment of the integration authority each time a new certificate or exemption is added to a carrier's portfolio. Broad authority would provide maximum operating flexibility to carriers and minimize regulatory burdens.

American appreciates the opportunity to provide these specific comments, and applauds the Department's initiative on streamlining regulatory procedures for licensing U.S. and foreign air carriers.

Respectfully submitted,



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