

BEFORE THE
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) Docket OST-2002-13855
for a limited waiver of the dormancy period)
pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 40109)
(Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania – Cancun, Mexico))

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US Airways, Inc. (“US Airways”) hereby moves for a limited waiver of the dormancy period with respect to its service between Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Cancun, Mexico, (“PIT-CUN”) whereby it will resume service on this route no later than June 15, 2006.

1. After the devastation caused by Hurricane Wilma in Cancun, many airlines were forced to revise their service plans between the United States and Mexico. Accordingly, these airlines received temporary waivers of the dormancy periods for their U.S.-Mexico routes. See, e.g., Approval of Motion of Delta Airlines for a Temporary Dormancy Waiver (CVG-CUN, SLC-CUN, EWR-CZM), Dockets 01-10457, 04-18184, and 05-22243 respectively, January 11, 2006; Notice of Action Taken, Dockets 01-9027 and 02-13389, December 28, 2005 (granting Motion of American Airlines for a Temporary Dormancy Waiver (BOS-CUN and STL-CUN)).

2. On January 19, 2006, the Department granted US Airways’ request to commence the dormancy periods of its FLL-CUN and PIT-CUN routes on January 31,

2006, and March 1, 2006, respectively.¹ See Approval of Motion of US Airways for a Temporary Dormancy Waiver (FLL-CUN, PIT-CUN, PHL-CZM), Dockets 02-13855 and 01-9768, respectively, January 19, 2006. By the Department granting this request, the dormancy period for PIT-CUN will end on May 30, 2006.

3. The schedule change with which US Airways will resume its Saturday only PIT-CUN service becomes effective on Sunday, June 4, 2006. Because PIT-CUN service will be Saturday only, however, US Airways' first flight will not take place until June 10, 2006. As a result, US Airways moves for a brief extension or waiver of the dormancy period with respect to its PIT-CUN service that will allow it to resume service on this route no later than June 15, 2006.

4. Since January 19, 2006, US Airways has resumed FLL-CUN service and returned to pre-Hurricane Wilma service levels between Cancun and its hubs in Philadelphia and Charlotte.

5. The requested relief is in the public interest as it will provide convenient nonstop access to Cancun for the residents of Pittsburgh, and connecting service for all of the markets in the Midwest and Northeast which US Airways serves from Pittsburgh. Moreover, it will further enhance competition for the benefit of United States consumers and shippers.

6. No other air carriers will be prejudiced should the Department grant US Airways an extension of its PIT-CUN dormancy period.

¹ The Department also required US Airways to resume PHL-CZM service no later than December 1, 2006.

WHEREFORE, US Airways respectfully requests that the Department grant the relief described herein to preserve US Airways' operating authority and allow US Airways to resume service between Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and Cancun, Mexico no later than June 15, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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