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Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 40109 and Subpart C of the Department’s Rules of Practice (14 C.F.R. Part 302), US Airways, Inc. (“US Airways”) applies for renewal of its exemption authority to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail between (1) the terminal point Charlotte, North Carolina, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; (2) the terminal point Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; (3) the terminal point Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; (4) the terminal point Boston, Massachusetts, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; and (5) the terminal point Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico.

In support of this Application, US Airways respectfully states as follows:

1. US Airways is a Delaware corporation with its principal office at 111 West Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe, Arizona, 85281.
2. US Airways is a citizen of the United States within the meaning of 49 U.S.C. § 40102(a)(15)(C) and is fit, willing, and able to provide the services

contemplated by this renewal application. US Airways holds various certificates of public convenience and exemption authorities. See, e.g., DOT Order 97-7-2, Docket OST-96-1945 (various foreign authorities); Notice of Action Taken, January 5, 2005, Docket OST-97-3179. Pursuant to Rule 24 of the Department's Rules of Practice, US Airways requests that the Department take official notice of all information previously filed to establish its fitness.

3. By Notice of Action Taken (October 22, 2004), the Department granted US Airways a two-year exemption from 49 U.S.C. § 41101 to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail "between (1) the terminal point Charlotte, North Carolina, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; (2) the terminal point Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; (3) the terminal point Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; (4) the terminal point Boston, Massachusetts, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; and (5) the terminal point Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico." Docket OST-2002-13855.

4. US Airways currently provides scheduled air service in the above listed markets using Airbus A-319/320 and Boeing 737/757/767 aircraft. Renewal of US Airways' exemption authority will greatly serve the public interest by providing substantial competition to other carriers serving Mexico from the United States, while supporting commerce and enhancing the options available to the traveling public.

5. The Department has previously determined that the exemption authority sought in this renewal application is consistent with the aviation agreement between the

United States and Mexico. See Notice of Action Taken, October 22, 2004, Docket OST-2002-13855.

6. Pursuant to 14 C.F.R. § 377.10, US Airways intends to rely on the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. § 558(c) implemented by Part 377, to continue in effect its current exemption authority pending a final determination on this renewal application. US Airways' current exemption is effective through October 22, 2006.

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, US Airways, Inc. requests that the Department renew its exemption authority to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail between (1) the terminal point Charlotte, North Carolina, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; (2) the terminal point Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; (3) the terminal point Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; (4) the terminal point Boston, Massachusetts, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico; and (5) the terminal point Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and the terminal point Cancun, Mexico, as described herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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