

BEFORE THE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Application of)	
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DELTA AIR LINES, INC.)	Dockets OST-97-3051
)	OST-99-5749
for renewal of exemptions pursuant to)	
49 U.S.C. § 40109 (Atlanta-Antigua/St. Lucia;)	
United States-Belize))	
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June 27, 2007

APPLICATION OF DELTA AIR LINES, INC.
FOR RENEWAL OF EXEMPTIONS

Delta Air Lines, Inc. ("Delta") hereby applies for renewal of exemptions under 49 U.S.C. § 40109 to authorize Delta to continue to provide scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail between Atlanta, on the one hand, and Antigua and St. Lucia, on the other hand; and between the United States and Belize. Delta's exemption authority for these routes was most recently renewed by Notice of Action Taken dated August 31, 2005 (Dockets OST-97-3051 and OST-99-5749) for a two year period expiring August 31, 2007. Delta requests further renewal of these exemptions, simultaneously with tentative approval of its applications for U.S.-Antigua and U.S.-St. Lucia certificate authority pending in Docket OST-99-6246 and U.S.-Belize certificate authority pending in Docket OST-97-3218, pursuant to the streamlined show-cause procedures announced in Docket OST-2005-22228. The renewed exemption should remain in effect for an additional period of at least two years, or until 90 days after the Department's final determination on Delta's certificate applications, whichever occurs earlier.

In filing this renewal application, Delta hereby invokes the automatic extension provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. § 558(c), as implemented by 14 C.F.R. Part 377. This application is timely filed pursuant to Section 377.10(c)

Pursuant to the exemption authority that is the subject of this renewal application, Delta provides nonstop service on the Atlanta-Antigua,¹ Atlanta-St. Lucia, Atlanta-Belize City² and Los Angeles-Belize City routes.³ Delta continues to be fully qualified to perform these services, and requests that the Department take official notice, pursuant to Rule 24 of the Department's Rules of Practice, of all data on file with the Department necessary to establish Delta's fitness.

Renewal of Delta's exemption authority is in the public interest. Such authority continues to be consistent with the applicable bilateral agreements and with the overall state of aviation relations between the United States and Belize. Delta's existing services to Antigua, St. Lucia and Belize provide strong competition with services to these Caribbean destinations that are operated by other U.S. and foreign carriers. Renewal of Delta's

¹ Delta also offers Newark-Antigua service by displaying its designator code on flights operated by Continental Airlines, Inc. pursuant to separate exemption authority in Docket OST-2003-15504, which continues in effect under the automatic extension provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act.

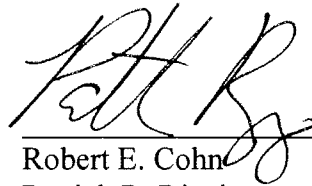
² Delta offers both mainline Atlanta-Belize City service and Delta Connection service on flights operated by Atlantic Southeast Airlines, Inc.

³ Delta's exemptions in Dockets OST-97-3051 and OST-99-5749 also include authority to serve Grenada and authority to serve Antigua and St. Lucia from other U.S. points for purposes of codesharing with Air Jamaica Limited. Because that codesharing arrangement has been discontinued, Delta is not seeking renewal of such additional authority. Furthermore, Delta's existing exemptions include route integration authority, which is no longer required in light of the blanket route integration certificate granted to Delta by Order 2006-1-1.

authority will allow Delta to continue to provide these important competitive services to consumers.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Delta respectfully requests that the Department renew Delta's exemptions authorizing Delta to provide scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between Atlanta, on the one hand, and Antigua and St. Lucia, on the other hand, and between the United States and Belize, as described herein, and that the Department grant such other relief it deems to be consistent with the public interest.

Respectfully submitted,



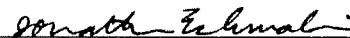
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Application of Delta Air Lines, Inc. for Renewal of Exemptions has been served this 27th day of June, 2007, by electronic mail, upon each of the following persons:

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