



**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

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Notice Shortening Answer Period

Docket OST-2004-17279

On April 15, 2004, United Parcel Service Co. (UPS) filed in the captioned docket an application for three weekly all-cargo Hong Kong fifth-freedom frequencies made available effective October 26, 2004, by the 2002 Memorandum of Understanding between the United States and Hong Kong. UPS states that it will use two of the frequencies in the Hong Kong-Bangkok market and one in the Hong Kong-Singapore market in October 2004.¹

Under the Department's regulations (14 CFR 302.307), answers to this application would be due April 30, 2004. In order to be in a position to act on the application expeditiously, we have decided to shorten the comment period and to request comments on the UPS application by Thursday, April 22, 2004. We request reply comments by Friday, April 23, 2004.

We will serve this notice by email or facsimile to all parties in Docket OST-2004-17279, and we authorize comments to be served by facsimile or email.

PAUL L. GRETCH
Director, Office of International Aviation

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Dated: April 19, 2004

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http://dms.dot.gov/reports/reports_aviation.asp*

¹ We note that UPS filed a motion for immediate allocation of six frequencies for Hong Kong-Singapore-Macapagal on March 29, 2004, and in that motion requested to withdraw from the remainder of the proceeding. By Notice of Action Taken, dated March 31, 2004, we acted on that motion, granting UPS' requests.