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INTRA ALASKA BUSH SERVICE MAIL RATES

Docket OST-2003-14694

NOTICE

On August 5, 2004, pursuant to Rule 302.11, the Department granted the Consolidated Carriers and Peninsula Airways an additional extension until September 3, 2004, to submit initial comments to Orders 2004-3-34, 2004-6-3, 2004-6-4, and 2004-7-11, establishing bush linehaul mail rates, with rebuttals due 15 days thereafter, on September 20. On September 17, ERA Aviation requested a 30-day extension, to October 20, for rebuttals. ERA notes that the Department previously granted Peninsula two separate one-month extensions for initial comments, and Peninsula's initial comments were extensive and challenging to analyze.

We received rebuttal comments from Peninsula and the Postal Service on September 20, but no party has objected to us granting ERA's request for an extension. Accordingly, we will grant ERA's request that we extend the deadline for rebuttal comments to October 20, 2004.

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