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APPLICATION OF ICELANDAIR, EHF. FOR A BLANKET STATEMENT OF AUTHORIZATION

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DATED: February 10, 2020

NOTE: The applicant requests expedited approval of this application and will poll the carrier representatives on the attached service list and report the polling results to the Department.

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Icelandair (FI) hereby applies for a blanket statement of authorization under 14 C.F.R. Part 212 to display the two-letter BT designator code of Air Baltic on certain Icelandair flights between Europe and the United States, as described more fully below. Icelandair and Air Baltic propose to begin the proposed codeshare service on March 29, 2020. Icelandair requests that the Department make the statement of authorization effective for an indefinite period, consistent with DOT precedent.²

In support of this application, Icelandair states as follows:

1. Icelandair is a private company organized and operating under the laws of the Republic of Iceland, and has been issued a foreign air carrier permit by DOT, Permit ILRF049F.

¹ Air Baltic has authorized counsel for Icelandair to submit this application on Air Baltic's behalf.

² See (for example) SOA, September 23, 2005 (Docket DOT-OST-2005-22414).

This permit grants Icelandair authority consistent with that granted to other EU Carriers under the U.S.-EU open skies agreement which also includes Air Baltic.

- 2. Air Baltic is a company organized and operating under the laws of the Republic of Latvia. Upon information and belief, Air Baltic has been issued a foreign air carrier permit by the Department. Latvia is a member of the European Union.
- 3. Icelandair requests a statement of authorization, pursuant to 14 C.F.R. Part 212, to display Air Baltic's BT designator code in conjunction with the foreign transportation of persons, property and mail on flights operated by Icelandair between points in the EU/EEA and points in the United States.
- 4. Icelandair hereby provides a blanket notice of its present intent to display the BT designator code on services that Icelandair operates pursuant to foreign air carrier permit,

Reykjavik - New York (JFK) - Reykjavik;

Reykjavik - New York (Newark) - Reykjavik;

Reykjavik - Denver - Reykjavik;

Reykjavik - Seattle - Reykjavik;

Reykjavik - Chicago - Reykjavik;

Icelandair will provide the Department with at least 30 days' notice before commencing codeshare service to any non-open skies point. Icelandair undertakes to conduct all of its codeshare operations in compliance with 14 C.F.R. Part 257 and to accept the Department's standard codeshare conditions.

5. Approval of the blanket statement of authorization requested herein is consistent with the U.S.-EU Agreement. Blanket authorizations are squarely in the public interest and conform with the intent of Congress because they enable codeshare partners to develop and effectively use the full scope of authority available under US-EU "open skies" air service agreement. The services contemplated by Icelandair will enhance Air Baltic's ability to offer consumers a broader range of services between the U.S. and the EU while enabling more efficient use of Icelandair's existing U.S. Services.

6. Icelandair is under jurisdiction of FAA New York City IFO.

WHEREFORE, Icelandair prays an Order granting the relief sought herein for an indefinite period, consistent with the Department's practice in such cases, and such other additional relief as the Department may deem just, proper and appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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