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China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited (“China Eastern”), in accordance with the provisions of Section 416 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended, 49 U.S.C. § 40109(c), and Subpart C of the Department’s Rules of Practice (14 C.F.R. § 302.301 *et seq.*), hereby requests renewal of its exemption authority to conduct scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between a point or points in the People’s Republic of China and Los Angeles, California, with all flights operating via Shanghai (PVG) and/or Beijing (PEK). This exemption is set to expire on January 4, 2008, and China Eastern seeks an extension for an additional period of one year. In filing this application, China Eastern invokes and relies upon the automatic extension provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. § 558(c), as implemented by 14 C.F.R. Part 377, so that by operation of law it may continue to operate this service until the Department makes a determination on this request.

1. China Eastern is a flag carrier of the People’s Republic of China and currently holds a foreign air carrier permit authorizing scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between Beijing, Guangzhou and Shanghai via Tokyo or another point in Japan to Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Honolulu or Seattle. (DOT Order 92-11-7). China Eastern also holds exemption authority to conduct scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property

and mail between Beijing and Shanghai, and any point or points in the United States. (DOT Notice of Action Taken (OST-2004-19010)).

2. By Notice of Action dated December 6, 2005 in Docket OST-2005-23074, the Department additionally granted China Eastern an exemption from 49 U.S.C. § 41301 which is the subject of this renewal application, permitting it to carry persons, property and mail in scheduled service between a point or points in the People's Republic of China, and Los Angeles, with all flights operating via Shanghai and/or Beijing.¹ The authority was subsequently renewed on January 4, 2007.

3. China Eastern continues to be fit, willing and able to perform the services for which the renewal of exemption is sought.

4. China Eastern intends to use its renewed exemption authority to conduct its twice weekly flights between a point or points in the People's Republic of China, and Los Angeles, with all flights operating via Shanghai and/or Beijing.

5. The renewal of this authority is in the public interest since it will permit China Eastern to continue providing enhanced air transportation services for persons traveling and shipping goods between the United States and China.

6. Renewal of this authority will also allow China Eastern to continue to conduct operations that are not included in its original foreign air carrier permit but are consistent with the United States – China Air Transport Agreement, signed July 23, 2004.

WHEREFORE, China Eastern respectfully requests that the Department grant its application for renewal of exemption authority to perform the scheduled foreign air transportation described above. China Eastern also requests integration authority, to the extent the Department deems it necessary, to combine this renewal of exemption authority with China Eastern's existing

¹ China Eastern's foreign air carrier permit (Order 92-11-7) authorizes it, among other things, to conduct scheduled combination services between Shanghai/Beijing and Los Angeles.

permit and exemption authority, and such other authority as the Department may deem appropriate.

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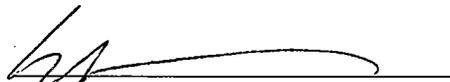
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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Application of China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited for a Renewal of Exemption Authority was served by electronic mail or facsimile this 21st day of December, 2007, on the following:

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