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that the asserted exemption does not apply).

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§ 385.16 Heads of Offices and Assistant General Counsels.

The heads of Offices and Assistant General Counsels have the authority to:

(a) Grant requests for permission to withdraw petitions, applications, motions, complaints, or other pleadings or documents which the respective Office has responsibility for processing where such authority has not otherwise been assigned in this regulation.

(b) Grant extensions of time for filing of documents or reports which are required to be filed by regulation or Department order and which reports or documents the respective Office has the responsibility for processing.

- (c) Grant waivers of the environmental procedures set by Department order in any proceeding or portion of a proceeding dealing with environmental matters.
- (d) Establish procedures on a case-bycase basis for environmental proceedings to ensure compliance with applicable law.

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§ 385.17 Authority of the Assistant General Counsel for Regulation and Enforcement.

The Assistant General Counsel for Regulation and Enforcement has authority to:

- (a) Call public meetings in pending rulemaking proceedings,
- (b) Issue a notice suspending the effective dates of final regulations issued by the General Counsel pending Departmental determination of review proceedings instituted thereon, whether by petition or upon order of the Department. (Such a notice is not subject to the review procedures of subpart C of this part.), and
- (c) Approve or disapprove, for good cause shown, requests to extend the time for filing comments on all proposed or final new or amended regulations, and requests to extend comment

periods following the issuance of final rules.

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§ 385.18 Authority of the Chief, Coordination Section, Documentary Services Division.

The Chief, Coordination Section, Documentary Services Division, has the authority to coordinate and perform all administrative functions of the Department provided for in sections 2, 3 and 5 of Executive Order 12597 issued May 13, 1987, except that this delegation shall not include the exercise of the authority delegated by the President to the Secretary by sections 2 and 5 of that Order to determine not to disapprove orders of the Department in certain cases.

[Amdt. 385–3, 52 FR 18905, May 20, 1987. Redesignated by Doc. No. OST-96-1268, 61 FR 19170, May 1, 1996]

§ 385.19 Authority of the Director, Office of Aviation Information, Bureau of Transportation Statistics.

The Director, Office of Aviation Information, Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) has authority to:

- (a) Conduct all rulemaking proceedings concerning accounting, reporting, and record retention requirements for carrying out Subparts I, II, and IV of the Statute, except the issuance of final rules and the disposition of petitions for reconsideration.
- (b) Interpret the accounting, reporting, and record retention requirements used to carry out Subparts I, II, and IV of the Statute.
- (c) Waive any of the accounting, reporting, and record retention requirements upon a showing of the existence of such facts, circumstances or other grounds, and subject to such limitations or conditions as may be prescribed for waivers in the applicable regulations, unless such authority is otherwise specifically assigned.
- (d) Dismiss petitions for Department or BTS action with respect to accounting, reporting, and record retention matters when such dismissal is requested or consented to by the petitioner.

- (e) Require special reports, documentation, or modifications to reports required by this chapter from any air carrier upon a determination that such reports or documentation or modifications are necessary to meet temporary information needs, assist in an evaluation of continued financial fitness, or comply with special information requests by Congress, Department officials, or another agency or component of the Federal Government.
- (f) Grant or deny requests by air carriers for extension of filing dates for reports required by subchapters A and D of this chapter.
- (g) Grant or deny requests by air carriers for substitution of their own forms, adaptation of Department forms, or use of ADP media to meet special needs where Department approval of such forms or ADP media is required by subchapter A of this chapter.
- (h) Determine the data necessary to complete the International Civil Aviation Organization reports required by U.S. Treaty; as provided in Order 81–3–120, establish any necessary supplemental reporting requirements; and dispose of petitions for extensions of filing dates or waivers with respect to the data required for such reports.
- (i) Grant or deny motions filed under §302.12 of this chapter requesting confidential treatment of aviation economic information or reports filed with BTS and place the decision in the motion's docket, which decision will be subject to review through a petition for reconsideration filed within ten days of issuance, to be acted upon by the Director, BTS.
- (j) Grant or deny requests filed under §241.22 of this chapter for confidential treatment of preliminary year-end financial reports.
- (k) Grant or deny requests filed under §248.5 of this chapter for confidential treatment of individual air carrier special reports.
- (1) Grant or deny requests for use of domestic and international service segment and market data in accordance with the limitations on the availability of these data contained in §241.19–6 of this chapter and Order 81–12–9.
- (m) Grant or deny requests for use of international Origin and Destination

- Survey statistics in accordance with the limitations on the availability of these data contained in §241.19–7 of this chapter.
- (n) Grant or deny requests for individual air carrier fuel data in accordance with the limitations on the availability of these data contained in paragraph (k) of the reporting instructions for Schedule P-12(a), which are contained in §241.24 of this chapter.
- (o) Grant or deny requests for individual air carrier financial data in accordance with the limitation on the availability of these data contained in paragraph (d) of the reporting instructions for Schedule F-1, which are contained in §298.62 of this chapter.
- (p) Grant or deny requests for individual air carrier financial data as reported on Schedule P-1(a) in accordance with §241.22(b)(3) of this chapter.
- [53 FR 51751, Dec. 23, 1988, as amended at 60 FR 66726, 66727, Dec. 26, 1995. Redesignated and amended by Doc. No. OST-96-1268, 61 FR 19170, May 1, 1996; 65 FR 6457, Feb. 9, 2000]

§ 385.20 Authority of the Inspector General.

The Inspector General has authority to:

- (a) Require special reports, including documentation, from any air carrier regarding audits and other examinations of carrier facilities, operations, and accounting and statistical records.
- (b)(1) For accounting purpose, make findings regarding the reasonable necessity for the application of the Department authority to obtain access to lands, buildings, and equipment, and to inspect, examine, and make notes and copies of accounts, records, documents, papers, and correspondence of persons having control over, or affiliated with, any person subject to regulation used to carry out titles IV and X of the Act through issuance of an appropriate order, letter, or other transmittal;
- (2) Authorize one or more auditors or special agents to conduct audits, inspections, and examinations and to make notes and copies in accordance with such findings.
- (c) Release to the carrier that is the subject of a financial audit the audit report and other information developed during the audit.