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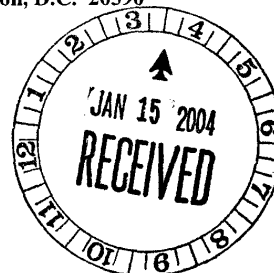


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Dear Secretary Williams:

Pursuant to Decision No. 3 in the above-referenced docket, this is to certify that on this date I have caused to be served by first class mail, postage prepaid, copies of all pleadings filed in this proceeding by the United States Department of Transportation on all Parties of Record. Enclosed herewith are the original and ten copies of this certification, together with a computer diskette of this document convertible into WordPerfect.

Sincerely,

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