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New York District

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Food & Drug Administration
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WARNING LETTER

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

REF: NYK-2002-5

Mr. Herbert Kelleher
Chairman
Southwest Airlines
P.O. Box 36611
2702 Love Field Drive
Dallas, Tx 75235

Dear Mr. Kelleher:

During a September 27, 2001 inspection of Southwest Airlines watering point, aircraft, lavatory services, and commissary at Long Island MacArthur Airport, Ronkonkoma, New York, our investigator observed violations of the Public Health Service Act and implementing regulations for the Control of Communicable Diseases and Interstate Conveyance Sanitation (Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 1240 and 1250).

At the conclusion of the inspection, our investigator presented to Darrin Rango, Ramp Supervisor, lists of Inspectional Observations, Forms FDA 483, Form FDA 2528, Inspection Summary, Airline Service Area or Watering Point Sanitation, Form FDA 2420, Food Service Establishment Inspection Report, and Form 2465, Inspection Summary Aircraft, Bus Railroad Car Sanitation. The findings were discussed with him.

The following deviation was found relating to the watering point:

1. There is no backflow prevention device in the water piping system in the lines leading to the hydrant outlets at gates 12, 14, and 16. (Item # 2 on Form FDA 2528).

We call to your attention that this violation was observed by our investigator during the previous inspection conducted on August 24, 2001, and observed again, uncorrected, during the most recent inspection.

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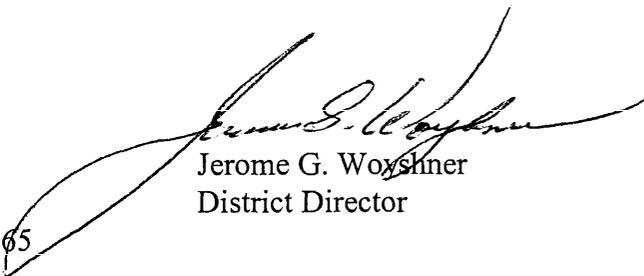
The above violation is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of deficiencies which may exist. As a result of this inspection, a "Provisional" classification has been assigned to the watering point for a period of thirty (30) days at which time a reinspection will be conducted. If significant improvement has not been made at that time, a "Not Approved" classification will be justified.

The aircraft, lavatory services, and commissary have been classified acceptable, correction of the related inspectional observations should be completed promptly.

You should take prompt action to correct this violation. It is your responsibility to ensure that all requirements of the Public Health Service Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder are being met. You should notify this office in writing within fifteen (15) working days of the receipt of this letter, of the specific steps you have taken to correct the noted violation.

Your reply should be sent to Laurence D. Daurio, Compliance Officer, at the above address. Mr. Daurio can be reached at (718) 340-7000, ext. 5585.

Sincerely,



Jerome G. Woyshner
District Director

Enclosures: Forms FDA 483s, 2528, 2420, 2465