SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of earliest event

reported: October 16, 2002

American Airlines, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-2691 (State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number)

13-1502798 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4333 Amon Carter Blvd. Fort Worth, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(817) 963-1234 (Registrant's telephone number)

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Item 5. Other Events

American Airlines, Inc. (American) is filing herewith a press release issued on October 16, 2002 by its parent company, AMR Corporation, as Exhibit 99.1 which is included herein. This press release was issued to report AMR's third quarter 2002 earnings.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following exhibits are included herein:

99.1 Press Release

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

American Airlines, Inc.

/s/ Charles D. MarLett Charles D. MarLett Corporate Secretary

Dated: October 16, 2002

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release

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Exhibit 99.1

Contact: Corporate Communications Fort Worth, Texas 817-967-1577

FOR RELEASE: Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2002

Editor's Note: A live Webcast reporting second quarter results will be broadcast on the Internet on Oct. 16 at 2 p.m. EDT. (Windows Media Player required for viewing.)

AMR REPORTS THIRD QUARTER LOSS OF \$475 MILLION BEFORE SPECIAL CHARGES

FORT WORTH, Texas - Consistent with financial community expectations, AMR Corporation, the parent company of American Airlines, Inc., today reported a third quarter net loss of \$475 million before special items, or \$3.05 per share. This compares with a net loss of \$525 million before special items, or \$3.40 per share, in the third quarter of 2001, the first period affected by the attacks of Sept. 11.

"Any way you look at them, these are terrible financial results that reflect a sluggish economy, continued weakness in the revenue environment, high fuel prices, the cost of enhanced security and the uncertainty of events in the Middle East," said Don Carty, AMR's chairman and chief executive officer. "Although we operated an excellent airline in the third quarter, we could not overcome the cumulative weight of the economic challenges, and the environment shows little sign of improving."

In the face of these challenges, Carty said, AMR during the third quarter intensified its efforts at examining every aspect of its business for added ways to reduce costs and capital spending, increase efficiency and put the company in a position to succeed long term and eventually return to profitability. "At every

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level of this organization, people are working extremely hard to make sure that AMR is a vital competitor in this industry for many years to come," he said, "and we will not rest until this is

achieved."

Adding further impetus to its efforts to reduce capital spending, American announced today that it has reached an agreement with Boeing for the deferral of a total of 34 airplanes during 2003, 2004 and 2005. Under the agreement, American will take delivery of only 11 airplanes in 2003 - nine 767-300s and two 777s - compared to the original plan of 19. No airplanes will now be delivered to American in 2004 and 2005. The airline had planned on taking 13 aircraft each year in 2004 and 2005.

With these and other adjustments to AMR's capital spending plans, the company has further reduced its capital spending plan by more than \$1.5 billion from 2003 - 2005.

American also announced today that it would supplement its near-term cost-saving efforts by temporarily storing approximately 42 aircraft starting in early 2003. By putting 28 MD-80s and 14 767-200s into short-term storage, American will save in excess of \$100 million in expenses over the next two years, largely due to reduced maintenance expenditures. Based on current projections, American anticipates that these aircraft would remain in storage until at least 2005.

"We are managing this business for the short- and long-term and are sharply focused on its success," Carty said. "The scope, variety and magnitude of our various actions and initiatives are an insight into the seriousness with which we approach our task and the determination with which we are seeking solutions."

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The company's wide-ranging, long-term cost-reduction program was given a major boost on Aug. 13 when American unveiled an additional series of cost-saving and efficiency producing initiatives. Among the key steps announced on Aug. 13 were the depeaking of the Dallas/Fort Worth hub and many spoke cities, the retirement of the 74-plane Fokker 100 fleet by 2005, a reduction of an estimated 7,000 jobs by March 2003, and steps to enhance the efficiency of several fleet types, including 777s and 767-300s.

Since the Aug. 13 announcement, American has refined and increased its estimated savings from these initiatives. In addition, even more cost-saving and revenue-enhancing initiatives have been identified. These include the EveryFare program announced last month, a consolidation of AMR's headquarters operation, and a series of other operational changes. When taken in combination with previously announced initiatives, these efforts should contribute more than \$2 billion in steady state, structural cost savings over the coming years, independent of capacity-related changes. In addition, efficiencies in the use of airplanes from depeaking and fleet actions will allow American to forgo the equivalent of 17 "new" aircraft in the future, ultimately saving more than \$1.3 billion in capital spending.

As previously disclosed, the Aug. 13 initiatives drove several special charges, notably aircraft impairments and lease accruals and employee severance. These special charges, mostly non-cash in nature, totaled \$449 million after tax. Including these items, AMR's third quarter net loss was \$924 million (\$5.93 per share), compared to last year's third quarter net loss of \$414 million after special items (\$2.68 per share).

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Looking forward, if the revenue environment remains depressed, the company expects to post a sizeable operating loss in the fourth quarter, most likely exceeding the third quarter loss before special items.

Editor's Note: AMR's Chief Financial Officer, Jeff Campbell, will make a presentation to analysts during a teleconference on Wednesday, Oct. 16, from 2 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. EDT. Following the analyst call, he will hold a question and answer conference call for media from 3 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. EDT. Reporters interested in listening to Mr. Campbell's presentation or participating in the media Q&A conference call should call 817-967-1577 for details.

Statements in this report contain various forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which represent the Company's expectations or beliefs concerning future events. When used in this document and in documents incorporated herein by reference, the words "expects," "plans," "anticipates," "believes," and similar expressions are

intended to identify forward-looking statements. Other forward-looking statements include statements which do not relate solely to historical facts, such as, without limitation, statements which discuss the possible future effects of current known trends or uncertainties, or which indicate that the future effects of known trends or uncertainties cannot be predicted, guaranteed or assured. All forward-looking

statements in this report are based upon information available to the Company on the date of this report. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations. Additional information concerning these and other factors is contained in the Company's Securities and Exchange Commission filings, including but not limited to the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001.

Detailed financial information follows:

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Current AMR Corp. news releases can be accessed via the Internet: The address is http://amrcorp.com

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Three Months Ended September 30, Percent 2002 2001 Change Revenues Passenger -**American Airlines** \$3,754 \$ 4,031 (6.9) AMR Eagle 342 338 1.2 Cargo 139 158 (12.0) Other revenues 259 289 (10.4) Total operating revenues 4,494 4,816 (6.7)**Expenses** Wages, salaries and **benefits** 2,121 2,133 (0.6)**Aircraft** fuel 697 776 (10.2)**Depreciation** and amortization 340 368

(7.6) Other rentals and landing fees 313 323 (3.1) Maintenance, materials and repairs 289 332 (13.0) Aircraft rentals 210

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<del>230 (8.7)</del>
Food service
   <del>189 209</del>
    (9.6)
 Commissions
  to agents
   107 207
    (48.3)
   Special
  charges
 net of U.S.
  Government
  grant 708
   <del>(177) *</del>
     <del>Other</del>
  <del>operating</del>
expenses 841
  973 (13.6)
    Total
  <del>operating</del>
   expenses
 5,815 5,374
     8.2
  Operating
<del>Loss (1,321)</del>
   <del>(558) *</del>
Other Income
  (Expense)
   Interest
income 18 16
     12.5
   Interest
   expense
 (171) (122)
     <del>40.2</del>
   Interest
 capitalized
23 37 (37.8)
Miscellaneous
   net 2 (9)
  (128) (78)
  64.1 Loss
    Before
Income Taxes
    (1,449)
    <del>(636) *</del>
  Income tax
   benefit
 <del>(525) (222)</del>
* Net Loss $
   <del>(924) $</del>
(414) * Loss
  Per Share
  Basic and
  Diluted $
   (5.93) $
    <del>(2.68)</del>
  Number of
 Shares Used
      in
 Computation
  Basic and
 Diluted 156
      <del>154</del>
      Greater than 100%
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                                 AMR CORPORATION
                             OPERATING STATISTICS
                                    (Unaudited)
   Three
   Months
   Ended
 September
    30,
  Percent
 2002 2001
   Change
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American Airlines

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Revenue
 passenger
   miles
(millions)
   33,080
   33,543
   (1.4)
<del>Avàilable</del>
seat miles
<del>(millions)</del>
   <del>45,920</del>
   46,908
   (2.1)
 Cargo ton
   miles
(millions)
  <del>498 526</del>
   (5.3)
 Passenger
    <del>load</del>
   factor
   72.0%
 71.5% 0.5
    <del>pts.</del>
 Breakeven
    <del>load</del>
factor (*)
   <del>87.3%</del>`
   87.5%
 (0.2)pts.
 Passenger
  revenue
 yield per
 passenger
    mile
  (cents)
   <del>11.35</del>
   12.02
    (5.6)
 Passenger
  revenue
     per
 <del>available</del>
 seat mile
  (cents)
 8.18 8.60
   (4.9)
   Cargo
  revenue
 yield per
 ton mile
  <del>(cents)</del>
   27.58
   <del>29.69</del>
   (7.1)
 Operating
 expenses
     per
 <del>available</del>
 seat mile
  (cents)
 (*) 10.38
   <del>11.04</del>
<del>(6.0) Fuel</del>
consumption
 <del>(gallons,</del>
     in
 millions)
  839 895
(6.3) Fuel
 price per
  gallon
  (cents)
 78.0 81.3
(4.1) Fuel
<del>price per</del>
  <del>gallon,</del>
 excluding
fuel taxes
  <del>(cents)</del>
 72.3 76.0
```

```
(4.9)
 Operating
 aircraft
at period-
  end 826
 893 (7.5)
 AMR Eagle
  Revenue
 passenger
   miles
(millions)
 1,070 962
   <del>11.2</del>
Available
seat miles
(millions)
   1,662
   1,664
   (0.1)
 Passenger
   <del>load</del>
  factor
   64.4%
 57.8% 6.6
   <del>pts.</del>
 Operating
 aircraft
at period-
  end 285
  <del>279 2.2</del>
    AMR
Corporation
  Average
Equivalent
Number of
 Employees
 American
 Airlines
  99,700
  114, 100
   <del>Other</del>
  12,000
  13,100
   <del>Total</del>
  111,700
  127,200
     Excludes the impact of Special charges - net of U.S. Government grant
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                               AMR CORPORATION
                  CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
                 (in millions, except per share amounts)
                                  (Unaudited)
 Nine Months
    Ended
  September
 30, Percent
  2002 2001
   Change
  Revenues
 Passenger -
  American
  Airlines
  $10,985 $
   12,611
(12.9) - AMR
  Eagle 991
<del>1,101 (10.0)</del>
  Cargo 415
 <del>524 (20.8)</del>
    <del>Other</del>
revenues 718
 923 (22.2)
    <del>Total</del>
  <del>operating</del>
  revenues
    <del>13,109</del>
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```
<del>15, 159</del>
    (13.5)
   Expenses
    <del>Wages,</del>
salaries and
  benefits
 6,327 6,005
5.4 Aircraft
 fuel 1,880
<del>2,325 (19.1)</del>
Depreciation
     and
\frac{\mathsf{amortization}}{\mathsf{amortization}}
1,019 1,033
 (1.4) Other
 rentals and
landing fees
 908 900 0.9
Maintenance,
  materials
 and repairs
   840 910
    <del>(7.7)</del>
   Aircraft
 rentals 650
604 7.6 Food
 service 539
 <del>611 (11.8)</del>
 Commissions
  to agents
   423 691
    (38.8)
   Special
  <del>charges</del>
 net of U.S.
 Government
  grant 708
  508 39.4
    Other
  operating
  expenses
 2,466 2,894
(14.8) Total
  <del>operating</del>
   expenses
    <del>15,760</del>
16,481 (4.4)
  Operating
Loss (2,651)
  (1,322) *
Other Income
  (Expense)
   Interest
income 54 80
    (32.5)
   Interest
   expense
 <del>(501) (373)</del>
<del>34.3</del>
   Interest
 capitalized
    67 116
    (42.2)
Miscellaneous
  net (1) 13
   * (381)
(164) * Loss
    Before
Income Taxes
     and
 Cumulative
  Effect of
 Accounting
    Change
   (3,032)
  <del>(1,486) *</del>
 Income tax
   benefit
   (1,038)
 (522) 98.9
 Loss Before
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Cumulative
  Effect of
 Accounting
   Change
   (1,994)
   <del>(964) *</del>
 Cumulative
  Effect of
 Accounting
 Change, Net
   of Tax
   Benefit
  <del>(988) - *</del>
  Net Loss
 <del>$(2,982) $</del>
   (964)
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                             AMR CORPORATION
          CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (CONTINUED)
                (in millions, except per share amounts)
                                (Unaudited)
   Nine
  Months
   Ended
 September
 30, 2002
2001 Basic
    and
  Diluted
 Loss Per
   Share
  Before
Cumulative
Effect of
Accounting
  Change
<del>$(12.83) $</del>
  (6.26)
Cumulative
Effect of
Accounting
  Change
 (6.36)
 Net Loss
<del>$(19.19) $</del>
   (6.26)
 Number of
  Shares
  <del>Used in</del>
Computation
Basic and
  Diluted
  <del>155 154</del>
Note 1: 2002 results include TWA whereas the 2001 amounts include
         TWA for the period April 10, 2001 through September 30, 2001
     Greater than 100%
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                             AMR CORPORATION
                          OPERATING STATISTICS
                                (Unaudited)
   Nine
  Months
   Ended
 September
    30,
  Percent
 2002 2001
  Change
 American
 Airlines
    <del>(*)</del>
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Revenue
 passenger
   miles
(millions)
   92,276
   95, 182
    (3.1)
 <del>Avàilable</del>
seat miles
<del>(millions)</del>
  <del>129,968</del>
  <del>134,930</del>
    (3.7)
 Cargo ton
    miles
(millions)
    1,478
   1,685
   (12.3)
 Passenger
    <del>load</del>
   factor
   <del>71.0%</del>
 70.5% 0.5
    pts.
 Breakeven
    <del>load</del>
   factor
<del>(**) 87.1%</del>
<del>76.5% 10.6</del>
    <del>pts.</del>
 Passenger
  revenue
 <del>yield per</del>
 passenger
    mile
  (cents)
    11.90
    <del>13.25</del>
   (10.2)
 <del>Passenger</del>
  revenue
     per
 available
 seat mile
  (cents)
 8.45 9.34
    (9.5)
    Cargo
  revenue
 <del>yield per</del>
  ton mile
  (cents)
    <del>27.82</del>
    30.77
    (9.6)
 Operating
  expenses
     <del>per</del>
 available
 seat mile
  (cents)
(*<sup>*</sup>) 10.80
10.99
(1.7) Fuel
consumption
 <del>(gallons,</del>
      in
 millions)
    <del>2,392</del>
    2,559
<del>(6.5) Fuel</del>
 price per
   gallon
  (cents)
 73.8 83.8
   <del>(11.9)</del>
Fuel price
     per
  <del>gallon,</del>
 excluding
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<del>(cents)</del>
68.2 78.3
  <del>(12.9)</del>
<del>Operating</del>
 aircraft
at period-
 end 826
893 (7.5)
AMR Eagle
 Revenue
passenger
  miles
(millions)
   3,048
2,851 6.9
Available
seat miles
(millions)
   4,825
   4,931
   (2.1)
Passenger
   <del>load</del>
  factor
   <del>63.2%</del>
57.8% 5.4
   pts.
Operating
 aircraft
at period-
 end 285
 <del>279 2.2</del>
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fuel taxes

- (*) 2002 results include TWA whereas the 2001 amounts include TWA for the period April 10, 2001 through September 30, 2001
- (**) Excludes the impact of Special charges net of U.S. Government grant