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A Division of LeBlanc Travel Network

January 2, 2003

Honorable Norman Y. Mineta
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Docket OST-2000-7182 - 476
US Airways, Inc.

Dear Secretary Mineta:

As members of the Pensacola Business community, we would like to take this opportunity to express our strong support for the US Airways application to introduce non-stop service between Pensacola – Ronald Regan Washington National.

The Washington metropolitan area is Pensacola's largest market without non-stop air service. Today, passengers are required to connect through Atlanta, Charlotte, Memphis, or Houston to reach the Washington, D.C. area. Frequent travelers appreciate the time savings to the business traveler and the value a non-stop service brings to our business market and the community in general.

As community leaders, we know the economic benefits that non-stop service brings to the communities such as Pensacola. US Airways' non-stop service would provide greater competition to the market, thereby further enhancing the quality and pricing of our community's air service. It will also provide expanded opportunities for Pensacola's business recruitment efforts in the Washington region and provide a vital link to the National Capital region for our extensive military community.

Pensacola's thriving tourism sector would also benefit greatly from the introduction of non-stop service by US Airways. During the past year, the Pensacola region's tourism sector has grown by six percent. The addition of non-stop service by US Airways would allow our community to further penetrate the leisure travel market in the Washington, D.C. area.

Fillette Green Travel is ready to support US Airways new non-stop service to Ronald Regan Washington Airport from Pensacola. We urge your Department to give it's application every consideration.

Thank you for your consideration of our views.

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Sincerely,
On behalf of the staff of Fillette Green Travel,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Denise Winship".

Denise Winship - Manager
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