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Mayor

October 27, 2003

The Honorable Norman Y. Mineta  
Secretary  
Department of Transportation  
400 Seventh Street SW  
Room 10200  
Washington DC 20590

Re: OST-2000-7188

Dear Mr. Secretary:

We are writing to express our support of Frontier Airlines' October 24 application to obtain two additional slots at LaGuardia Airport ("LGA") to allow it to add a third roundtrip between Denver International Airport ("DIA") and LGA.

Frontier's proposal clearly meets the objectives of the Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (AIR-21). An award of the two slots to Frontier would also meet Denver International Airport's important statutory objective of supporting new entrant carriers. Frontier is one of the few carriers that have been able to establish a successful niche in the wake of deregulation. We must do all we can to support carriers like Frontier as they compete against larger, incumbent carriers. In order to compete successfully, carriers like Frontier must be able to offer flight choices, which are important to all travelers. Frontier has brought important service and fare options to Denver area and Colorado residents.

For the Denver area and the entire state of Colorado to continue to experience economic growth, it is essential that Frontier be allowed to expand its service to LaGuardia. Therefore, we ask that you approve Frontier's request for two additional LGA slots so that it can add a third roundtrip in this very important market.

Again, thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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