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Mr. Dennis DeVany, Division Chief
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ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE DIVISION

Dear Mr. DeVany:

I'm writing to underscore our company's solid support to the creative Kearney-Grand Island proposal to provide Central Nebraska with enhanced air service under your Essential Air Service program. By adding Kansas City to the existing service to Denver, our company, Liberty Services, will have greatly improved access to the regional and national air transportation network which will assist us in continuing to be efficient.

The Kansas City airport offers options that will be very appealing to us and those vendors that service our outlets in Kearney, Grand Island, Hastings, and North Platte. And, as a personal aside, I believe the access to Kansas City in addition to Denver will increase enplanements at the airports. Through this "monumental" joint effort among the cities of Kearney, Grand Island, Hastings and their surrounding travel markets, the potential of future air travel from this region will surprise everyone! I further believe that DOT should embrace this type of partnership and encourage its success.

We would ask for your strong consideration of this proposal. It will provide a wonderful stimulus for our region in Nebraska. My best in your deliberations.

Sincerely,

Peter Kotsiopoulos, President
Liberty Services, Inc.