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Mr. Dennis DeVany  
Chief, Essential Air Service & Domestic Analysis  
Department of Transportation, Room 6401  
400 Seventh Street, S. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20590

Dear Mr. Devany:

The Grant County Commission voted at the November 18, 2004, meeting to recommend to the FAA that Great Lakes Airlines provide air service to the Grant County area. I believe that this decision was made without opportunity for community consideration and input regarding issues that impact the citizens and businesses within Silver City. There was a public hearing held that was not sufficiently advertised and therefore was poorly attended.

I respectfully request that any decision to bring in another air service company be put on hold until the Town of Silver City, our citizens and businesses have an opportunity to review the proposals and provide critical input.

I appreciate your consideration of my request. If I can be of further assistance do not hesitate to call me at Town of Silver City, (505-534-6350).

Respectfully,

Terry Fortenberry  
Mayor