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VIA FAX

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Mr. Dennis DeVany
Chief, Essential Air Service Division, X-53
400 Seventh St., S. W.
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Mr. DeVany:

I am aware that the Athens-Clarke County Airport Authority is in conversations with your organization regarding renewal of an agreement to provide Essential Air Service subsidies for commercial service in and out of the Athens Airport. I have studied the two options under consideration and feel that the greater benefit to the local community would derive from Option #2.

The University of Georgia plays a significant role in the Athens/Northeast Georgia area, with a student population of approximately 34,000 students and approximately 8,000 full-time employees who live in the local community. This population generates a significant number of flights to locations served by the current carrier and others which connect. It is my belief that the University Community's use of this service will continue to grow and that this growth would be enhanced by more flight opportunities and easier connections at the hub airport.

I would be happy to answer any questions you may have, and can be reached at (706)542-1361.

Sincerely,

Henry M. Huckaby
Senior Vice President for Finance
and Administration