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The Honorable Mary Peters  
United States Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, D.C. 20590

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Dear Madame Secretary:

International air services and access to global markets are very important to central Indiana. We understand that Northwest has applied for expansion of the Northwest/KLM antitrust immunized (ATI) alliance to include additional SkyTeam transatlantic partners. The Indianapolis Airport Authority (IAA) supports Northwest's efforts to improve and expand its transatlantic network.

Northwest has explained that a more integrated SkyTeam alliance offers substantial advantages to consumers including improved flight schedules, reduced travel times, new service and lower fares. We believe it is very important to the further development of international air service and access to global markets for IAA that the Department of Transportation approve this application.

The new U.S.-EU agreement removes all regulatory barriers to transatlantic competition, making an already vibrant market even more competitive. We hope that this will enhance the development of IAA, and we welcome the improved transatlantic service and competition Northwest and its SkyTeam partners would create with their expanded alliance.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

John J. Kish  
Executive Director

cc: Docket OST-07-28644

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