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Mr. Dennis J. DeVany
Chief, Essential Air Service Division, X-53
Room 6401, Office of Aviation Analysis
Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. DeVany:

I would like to go on record requesting the EAS service for McKellar-Sipes Airport (KMKL), Jackson, Tennessee be awarded to Great Lakes Airlines with service to Cincinnati. In talking with our local industries and travel agents, I feel Cincinnati would be the most beneficial destination for our air service. There was much excitement in our community when Big Sky started service to Cincinnati even with the many issues they had with late and cancelled flights. If Great Lakes will give us reasonable service, I believe we can build an acceptable passenger count out of Jackson to Cincinnati.

In order for us to be successful, I feel it is very important for Great Lakes to establish a code share arrangement with Delta Airlines. With Cincinnati being a hub for Delta, our passengers would have many options for other destinations.

Please include my request in your public comments regarding Great Lakes Airline's bid proposal.

We do appreciate your efforts in helping us secure air service for Jackson, Tennessee.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Harris
Mayor, Madison County
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