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The Honorable Norman Y. Mineta
Secretary of Transportation
Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

RE: City of Abilene's Application to DOT's FY04 Small Community Air Service Development Program

Dear Secretary Mineta,

Your positive consideration of Abilene's application is appreciated.

We are a vibrant community, made even more so by the improvement and service provided by our local airport. We need to expand our reach and service to the west, and we need to continue searching for ways to allow our citizens to fly to their chosen destinations at a fair price. Among other considerations in the application, the awarding of this grant will certainly help address these particular issues.

I am confident the city of Abilene will use all the management powers available to make sure the grant helps us improve the transportation services offered to our 32-county region.

Thanks again for your generous attention to our request.

Sincerely,

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