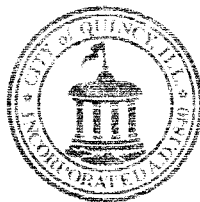


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January 3, 2005

Mr. Dennis J. DeVany, Chief  
EAS & Domestic Analysis Division  
Office of Aviation Analysis  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
400 Seventh St., S.W.  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Dennis:

Thank you for your letter of December 17, 2004 and the opportunity to comment on the proposals submitted for air service at Quincy Regional Airport. As you know, Corporate Airlines currently serves our community with 26 non-stop roundtrips a week to St. Louis on a 19-passenger twin engine aircraft. We in Quincy are very satisfied with the level of service and excellent spirit of cooperation that exists between the City of Quincy and Corporate Airlines. Our hope is that the United States Department of Transportation will continue to support a subsidy to provide this essential service that has been such a vital part of the economic development of our community.

The proposal from Multi-Aero for a single engine 9-seat plane is not acceptable to the City of Quincy and we strongly urge the Department of Transportation to support the Corporate Airlines' proposal.

The Mesa proposal for 24 non-stop roundtrips to Midway with a 19-seat Beech 1900 aircraft would be an important improvement for air service to our community in that we could then re-establish Chicago service. This would also be a boon to our local economy. However, our top priority remains continuation of the current service level to St. Louis with an adequate aircraft such as the 19-seat Jetstream 32. Thanks as always for your attention, consideration and cooperation. If I can provide further input please do not hesitate to contact me personally.

Very truly yours,

Charles W. Scholz  
Mayor

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