

February 25th, 2020

Scott Faulk
United States Department of Transportation
Office of Aviation Analysis
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Mr. Faulk:

On behalf of the North Dakota Aeronautics Commission, I would like to provide a response to the 2020 DOT Essential Air Service contract, Order 2019-1-5.

Reliable air service to Dickinson is critical to North Dakota as it provides a strong catalyst for the current and future economic development of the city as well as the rural communities throughout Southwestern North Dakota. During the winter months, road travel for residents throughout the region can also be dangerous or impossible, making reliable air service an incredibly valuable asset.

I support the decision that Dickinson has adopted to request the acceptance of the air service bid submitted by United Airlines, a company that has a strong reputation and proven track record within this community. Any disruption of the current air service could have incredible negative results for the Southwestern part of our state, and it is critical that the DOT moves forward to reselect United Airlines to continue providing service for the Dickinson Theodore Roosevelt Regional Airport.

I appreciate all of your work in helping to secure airline service for Dickinson and its surrounding communities. If you have any questions in regards to this response, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kyle Wanner

Executive Director

North Dakota Aeronautics Commission



February 21, 2020

Mr. Kelly Braun,

My name is Guy Moos, and I am the president of Baker Boy, Inc., a premium bakery manufacturer in Dickinson, North Dakota.

At Baker Boy, airline travel is an essential function to operating and growing our business. In 2019, I logged more than 50,000 miles of air travel that either began or ended at the Dickinson Theodore Roosevelt Regional Airport, through which I traveled as far as Europe.

Baker Boy's requirements for Essential Air Service into Dickinson extend far beyond my needs, however. Having United Airlines service our community provides Baker Boy's employees, contractors and vendors with an easy ability to reach the world directly from Dickinson.

In the past year, our employees have used the Dickinson Theodore Roosevelt Regional Airport and United Airlines to reach multiple cities across the United States and Europe as they traveled to sell Baker Boy products at trade shows, research new innovation ideas and purchase equipment from throughout the world.

Likewise, it's extremely helpful for Baker Boy's vendor partners and contractors – some of whom have traveled from as far away as Italy – to have the ability to step foot off of an airplane and be inside of our plant in less than a half-hour. Imagine flying from Italy to North Dakota for work, and then needing to drive 90 minutes to reach your destination? That alone paints a negative picture of our state and the services we are able to provide.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to voice my support of Essential Air Service into the Dickinson Theodore Roosevelt Regional Airport. Those of us at Baker Boy look forward to continue utilizing the airport and United Airlines for our travel needs

Sincerely,

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Kelly Braun

From:

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Sent:

Thursday, February 20, 2020 8:12 AM

To:

Kelly Braun

Subject:

EAS

Good morning Kelly,

This is good news! I am thankful we have United in Dickinson and am excited to have 2 weekend flights.

Enjoy the day, Vaune

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Kelly Braun

To:

Jon Frantsvog

Subject:

RE: Request for comments and EAS proposal for Dickinson, ND

Kelly,

I speak with enthusiastic support for continued UA service to DIK. Not only is this convenient for me, personally, it's invaluable to my business, and critical to southwest North Dakota. I wholeheartedly recommend awarding this contract to United Airlines.

Jon

Jon Frantsvog

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