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Kevin Schlemmer
Chief, Essential Air Service Program
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Docket DOT-OST-1996-1711
Essential Air Service at Manistee, Michigan

Dear Mr. Schlemmer,

American Airlines, Inc. enthusiastically supports the proposal of Hyannis Air Service, Inc. *dba Cape Air* to provide Essential Air Service for Manistee County Blacker Airport (MBL) serving Manistee/Ludington, Michigan. If Cape Air is selected to serve Manistee/Ludington, American Airlines would be delighted to amend our existing codeshare agreement with Cape Air, and provide to the Manistee/Ludington community seamless booking and travel on American Airlines' worldwide network.

American Airlines offers customers 6,800 daily flights to more than 365 destinations in 61 countries from its hubs in Charlotte, Chicago, Dallas-Fort Worth, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Philadelphia, Phoenix, and Washington, D.C. We would be honored to connect Manistee/Ludington to our powerful global network. With a shared purpose of caring for people on life's journey, American's 130,000 global team members serve more than 200 million customers annually. American was recently named a Five Star Global Airline by the Airline Passenger Experience Association and Airline of the Year by *Air Transport World*. American is a founding member of **oneworld®**, whose members serve 1,100 destinations in 180 countries and territories.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert A. Wirick".

