



CITY OF
FORT DODGE

MAYOR'S OFFICE | Matt Bemrich, Mayor | David R. Fierke, City Manager

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Dennis J. DeVany
EAS & Domestic Analysis Division
Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: DELTA AIRLINES PROPOSAL FOR EAS CONTRACT CHANGE
DIRECT FLIGHTS FROM FOD TO MSP

Dear Mr. DeVany:

As Mayor, I am pleased to convey that our City Council and City Administration endorses the recent proposal by Delta Airlines to provide our region with two daily direct round trip flights connecting to Minneapolis-St. Paul Airport. These flights are proposed to be seven days per week.

Since this proposed change necessitates a revision within the Essential Air Service (EAS) contract, we encourage you to support this service enhancement for the regional area served by Fort Dodge.

The transition from NWA to Delta has been seamless and the service levels have been well received. The EAS is a vital component of our region's economic and transportation model and we encourage your continued support. We strongly support the Fort Dodge Airport and the service provided by Delta Airlines. They are important to our viability and are important elements of our community plans.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these changes to our flights schedule proposed by Delta Airlines.

Respectfully,


Mayor Matt Bemrich