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Dear Mr. Gormas,

As a member of the Watertown Community and a regular passenger at Watertown Airport, I have flown both Skywest, when they were our provider, and Denver Air for the past few years.

I can tell you from my experience that Denver Air is top notch when it comes to customer service. They've lived up to every promise they've made, and I along with many of my friends and colleagues recognize we are so grateful to have them as a partner in our community, and they truly are a PARTNER. We're not just a destination they fly to, THEY CARE ABOUT US!

I also know from community feedback I've received, that many people are disappointed with the local city council's recommendation to go with Skywest. They want to see Denver Air remain and continue to flourish here!

Skywest offers the United App and miles on United, but beyond that there is no benefit that would make me believe we should fix something that isn't broken.

Enplanements have not suffered on Denver Air, and in fact have grown since the time Skywest was here prior to Covid.

I understand that over a four year term, the subsidy to retain Denver Air is slightly higher.

However, on a two-year term, the difference is negligible.

I would suggest that the DOT exercise its discretion and award Denver Air a two-year term and keep this great service the community at large is extremely happy with.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,
Mike Tanner
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