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Ms. Brooke Chapman Associate Director, Small Community Air Service Development 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Ms. Chapman:

It is my understanding that the Williamsport Regional Airport (IPT) has submitted a 2021 Small Community Air Service Development (SCASD) grant request. It is my understanding that this request is in the amount of \$1,948,500 to support regional jet service.

I am informed that this request will be used to retain air service to IPT, a critical asset to the regional economy. IPT supports residents of Lycoming and surrounding counties, including critical medical facilities. Williamsport stands to be one of several airports nationwide to lose all air service as a result of the pandemic. It is my understanding that IPT is requesting this amount after coordination with a potential replacement airline to mitigate any financial risk during the transition.

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration. Please include this letter in the official record of the application. Consistent with all applicable laws, rules and regulations, I also respectfully request that you keep informed of the status of this grant application. Finally, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact me or my staff at (202) 224-6581.

Sincerely,

Robert P. Casey, Jr. United States Senator