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Little Rock - SeaPort Airlines of Oregon will provide service to four Arkansas airports if the airline accepts a smaller contract from the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Kent Craford, president and chief executive officer of SeaPort's parent company, Alaska Juneau Aeronautics Inc., says service should start Oct. 1 if it takes the contract.

Transportation officials have selected SeaPort to provide service from Harrison, Hot Springs, Jonesboro and El Dorado to Memphis on a 9-seat Pilatus PC-12, a single turboprop airplane.

The airline asked for almost \$7.1 million in subsidies for three daily flights from each airport. The Transportation Department has offered about \$6 million for 18 flights a week with reduced service on the weekend.

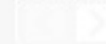
SeaPort has 10 days from Friday to decide if it will provide the service.

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