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SKYWEST, INC. REPORTS COMBINED MAY 2015 TRAFFIC FOR SKYWEST AIRLINES AND EXPRESSJET AIRLINES

ST. GEORGE, UT, PRNewswire/ -- SkyWest, Inc., (NASDAQ: SKYW) ("SkyWest") today reported 177,967 block hours in May 2015, compared to 192,838 block hours in May 2014, a decrease of 14,871, or 7.7%. The net decrease was consistent with SkyWest's fleet transition plan of adding new dual class aircraft to its fleet, while reducing its 50-seat and 30-seat aircraft. The month-over-month net change included approximately 9,300 additional block hours from its additional 76-seat E175 aircraft and a decrease of approximately 23,700 block hours from a reduction in its 50-seat jet (CRJ200s and ERJ135s/145s) and 30-seat turboprop (EMB-120) aircraft operating fleet.

In May 2015, SkyWest's dual class aircraft (CRJ700s, CRJ900s and E175s) represented approximately 37% of SkyWest's total block hour production for the month compared to approximately 29% for the month of May 2014.

SkyWest reported 871,452 block hours for YTD May 2015, compared to 928,877 block hours for YTD May 2014, a decrease of 57,425, or 6.2%. The YTD net change included approximately 36,900 additional block hours from SkyWest's 76-seat E175 aircraft and a decrease of approximately 92,600 block hours from fewer 50-seat jet (CRJ200s and ERJ135s/145s) and 30-seat turboprop (EMB-120) aircraft in its operating fleet.

SkyWest had 105,011 departures in May 2015 compared to 116,743 in May 2014, a decrease of 11,732, or 10.0%. SkyWest also reported 3.08 billion in available seat miles (ASMs) for May 2015, compared to 3.25 billion in ASMs for May 2014, or a 5.1% decrease.

SkyWest reported 2.60 billion in revenue passenger miles (RPMs) for May 2015, compared to 2.73 billion in RPMs for May 2014, or a 4.7% decrease. SkyWest also reported 4,936,999 in passenger boardings for May 2015, compared to 5,151,425 in passenger boardings for May 2014, or a 4.2% decrease. Load factor increased to 84.5 percent in May 2015 compared to 84.1 percent in May 2014.

SKYWEST, INC. MAY FLIGHT STATISTICS

Block Hour Summary:

	Month May 2015	Month May 2014	Month % Change	YTD May 2015	YTD May 2014	YTD % Change
By Fleet:						
CRJ200	57,131	61,531	(7.2)	280,505	297,101	(5.6)
CRJ700	37,606	38,829	(3.1)	183,201	188,367	(2.7)
CRJ900	18,123	17,381	4.3	85,924	82,538	4.1
ERJ135/145	55,553	65,704	(15.5)	272,432	316,346	(13.9)
E175	9,428	118	NM	37,066	118	NM
EMB-120	126	9,275	(98.6)	12,324	44,407	(72.2)
Total Block Hours	177,967	192,838	(7.7)	871,452	928,877	(6.2)

	Month May 2015	Month May 2014	Month % Change	YTD May 2015	YTD May 2014	YTD % Change
By Airline:						
SkyWest Airlines	91,021	88,876	2.4	435,194	427,622	1.8
ExpressJet Airlines	86,946	103,962	(16.4)	436,258	501,255	(13.0)
Total Block Hours	177,967	192,838	(7.7)	871,452	928,877	(6.2)

Other Flight Statistics:

	Month May 2015	Month May 2014	Month % Change	YTD May 2015	YTD May 2014	YTD % Change
Departures	105,011	116,743	(10.0)	514,244	556,683	(7.6)
Available Seat Miles	3,082,556,926	3,248,086,153	(5.1)	14,813,969,549	15,404,670,733	(3.8)
Revenue Passenger Miles	2,604,800,535	2,732,843,280	(4.7)	12,082,830,949	12,626,808,414	(4.3)
Passengers	4,936,999	5,151,425	(4.2)	22,884,130	23,738,974	(3.6)
Load Factor	84.5	84.1	0.4 pts	81.6	82.0	(0.4) pts

About SkyWest

SkyWest, Inc. was named on Forbes 'America's Best Employers 2015' list and was Air Transport World's Regional Airline of the Year in 2014. SkyWest, Inc. is the holding company for two scheduled passenger airline operations and an aircraft leasing company and is headquartered in St. George, Utah. SkyWest's airline companies provide commercial air service in cities across the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean with more than 3,500 flights and a fleet of 661 aircraft. SkyWest Airlines operates through partnerships with United Airlines, Delta Air Lines, US Airways, American Airlines and Alaska Airlines. ExpressJet Airlines operates through partnerships with United Airlines, Delta Air Lines and American Airlines. SkyWest continues to set the standard for excellence in the regional industry with unmatched value for customers, shareholders and its nearly 20,000 employees. This press release and additional information regarding SkyWest can be accessed at www.skywest.com.