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**SKYWEST, INC. REPORTS COMBINED AUGUST TRAFFIC
FOR SKYWEST AIRLINES AND ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES**

ST. GEORGE, UT, PRNewswire/ -- SkyWest, Inc. (NASDAQ: SKYW) reported an 8.5 percent increase in revenue passenger miles (RPMs) for August, while available seat miles (ASMs) increased 5.7 percent compared to the same period last year. The combined airlines generated 1.67 billion RPMs for the month, while ASMs increased to 2.10 billion. Load factor was up 2.1 percentage points to 81.5 percent compared to 79.4 percent for the same period last year. Passenger boardings for August totaled 3,245,316 a 6.8 percent increase from August 2008.

SkyWest Airlines, based in St. George, Utah, and Atlantic Southeast Airlines, Inc. (“ASA”), based in Atlanta, Georgia are wholly owned subsidiaries of SkyWest, Inc. SkyWest Airlines operates as United Express, Delta Connection and Midwest Connect carriers under contractual agreements with United Airlines, Delta Air Lines and Midwest Airlines. ASA operates as a Delta Connection carrier under a contractual agreement with Delta Air Lines. System-wide, SkyWest, Inc. serves a total of approximately 209 cities in the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean, with approximately 2,400 daily departures. This press release and additional information regarding SkyWest, Inc. can be accessed at www.skywest.com.

**FLIGHT STATISTICS
SkyWest, Inc. August Traffic**

	2009	2008	% Change
Passengers	3,245,316	3,038,873	6.8
Revenue Passenger Miles	1,671,822,207	1,541,133,082	8.5
Available Seat Miles	2,050,245,450	1,939,895,728	5.7
Load Factor	81.5%	79.4%	2.1 pts
Block Hours	123,855	119,874	3.3
Departures	79,180	77,830	1.7

Calendar Year-To-Date

	2009	2008	% Change
Passengers	23,166,590	23,056,697	0.5
Revenue Passenger Miles	11,742,785,437	11,835,264,381	(0.8)
Available Seat Miles	14,858,993,220	15,237,156,692	(2.5)
Load Factor	79.0%	77.7%	1.3
Block Hours	918,618	952,237	(3.5)
Departures	586,558	601,379	(2.5)