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Bradley International Airport to Launch New Daily, Nonstop Service to St. Louis

Windsor Locks, CT – February 15, 2018 – The Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) is pleased to announce the debut of new daily, nonstop service between Bradley International Airport (BDL) and St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL) on Southwest Airlines.

“I’ve long advocated that we need to utilize Bradley International Airport as an economic driver to boost growth in our region, and adding an additional direct flight to a major hub is another component toward increasing these efforts,” Governor Dannel P. Malloy said. “As we add more airlines and increase the number of routes offered at our state’s premier airport, we are opening the door for increased economic opportunities for business travelers who see Hartford as a destination where their companies can do business with even more convenience.”

The service will commence on August 7th, 2018, utilizing a Boeing 737, with an average of 143 seats. The daily departure from Bradley International Airport is scheduled for 11:10 AM (EST), with an arrival at St. Louis Lambert International Airport at 12:45 PM (CST). The inbound flight is scheduled to leave St. Louis Lambert International Airport at 4:25 PM (CST) and arrive at Bradley International Airport at 7:50 PM (EST).

“We’re pleased to strengthen our partnership with Southwest with the addition of this route,” CAA Board Chairman Charles R. Gray said. “Their expansion at Bradley International Airport is a testament to everything our airport has to offer and ultimately benefits not only our passengers but also our regional economy.”

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“The decision by Southwest to increase its footprint at Bradley is indicative of Bradley’s strong reputation in the region and our growing recognition nationally,” CAA Executive Director Kevin A. Dillon, A.A.E, said. “Their increased presence at Bradley is a reflection of their commitment to this market and also of our ongoing mission to offer our passengers with more connectivity to popular destinations.”

This route will be Southwest’s tenth nonstop destination out of Bradley International Airport. The airline currently offers nonstop service from Bradley International Airport to Baltimore, Chicago, Denver, Ft. Lauderdale, Ft. Myers, Las Vegas, Orlando, Tampa, and West Palm Beach. The airline first started flying out of Bradley International Airport in 1999.

About Bradley International Airport

Bradley International Airport is the second largest airport in New England, with a customer base that covers the entire Northeast. In 2017, Bradley Airport marked its fifth consecutive year of year-over-year passenger growth. In 2017, Bradley International Airport was also rated the 5th best airport in the nation by Condé Nast Traveler’s 2017 Readers’ Choice Awards. Recently, the airport added to its menu of nonstop routes service to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Dublin, Denver, Myrtle Beach and Pittsburgh. Additionally, the airport has successfully implemented a number of terminal enhancements, including the addition of Two Roads Tap Room, Escape Lounge, a Phillips Seafood restaurant, a duty-free shop, and a mother’s nursing room. For more info, visit www.flybdl.org.

About Connecticut Airport Authority

The Connecticut Airport Authority was established in July 2011 to develop, improve and operate Bradley International Airport and the state’s five general aviation airports (Danielson, Groton-New London, Hartford-Brainard, Waterbury-Oxford, and Windham airports). The board consists of 11 members with a broad spectrum of experience in aviation-related and other industries, as well as government. The goal of the CAA is to make the CAA’s airports more attractive to new routes, new commerce, and new companies who may be considering making Connecticut their home.

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