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

Windsor Locks, CT – August 7th, 2018 – Today, the Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) launched its inaugural Southwest Airlines flight from Bradley International Airport (BDL) to St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL).

The new daily, nonstop service departs from Bradley International Airport at 11:10 AM (EST), and arrives at St. Louis Lambert International Airport at 12:45 PM (CST). The inbound flight leaves St. Louis Lambert International Airport at 4:25 PM (CST) and arrives at Bradley International Airport at 7:50 PM (EST). The service utilizes a Boeing 737.

“Bradley International Airport has a strong reputation in the region and it is not going unnoticed by our airline partners like Southwest,” CAA Executive Director Kevin A. Dillon, A.A.E, said. “This is Southwest’s 10th nonstop route out of Bradley Airport and we’re pleased with their continued commitment to the market and our passengers. We look forward to our ongoing partnership with them as we continue to grow Bradley Airport’s connectivity to popular destinations.”

Southwest Airlines currently offers nonstop service from Bradley International Airport to Baltimore, Chicago, Denver, Ft. Lauderdale, Ft. Myers, Las Vegas, Orlando, Tampa, St. Louis and West Palm Beach. The airline first started flying out of Bradley International Airport in 1999.

Passengers on the inaugural flight were treated to refreshments and giveaways in celebration of the occasion.

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, Pittsburgh and St. Louis. 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.

About Southwest Airlines Co.

In its 48th year of service, Dallas-based [Southwest Airlines Co.](http://www.southwest.com) (NYSE: LUV) continues to differentiate itself from other air carriers with exemplary Customer Service delivered by more than 57,000 Employees to a Customer base topping 120 million passengers annually, in recent years. Southwest became the nation's largest domestic air carrier in 2003 and maintains that ranking based on the U.S. Department of Transportation's most recent reporting of domestic originating passengers boarded. During peak travel seasons, Southwest operates more than 4,000 weekday departures among a network of 99 destinations in the United States and 10 additional countries. Southwest has announced its intention to sell tickets in 2018 for service to Hawaii, subject to requisite governmental approvals.

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