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Aer Lingus Extends Schedule for Nonstop Service from Bradley International Airport to

Dublin, Ireland

Convenient access to Ireland and seamless connections to UK and Europe continue

Windsor Locks, CT (October 12, 2023) – The Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) is pleased to announce that Aer Lingus has extended the schedule for its popular nonstop service from Bradley International Airport to Dublin, Ireland, beyond the summer season, making it an almost year-round service.

The Irish flag carrier relaunched operations from Bradley International Airport to Dublin Airport earlier this year and will now continue, offering almost year-round connectivity. The Bradley International to Dublin route offers customers seamless connections to up to 28 key UK and European airports, including London, Paris, Amsterdam, Berlin, Vienna, Madrid, Barcelona, Rome, and Prague, and more.

The new schedule has been expanded to include:

- Now through October 26, 2023: Daily Flights
- October 28, 2023 through January 5, 2024: 3 x Weekly Flights
- January 6, 2024 through March 12, 2024: No Flight Operations
- March 13, 2024 through March 28, 2024: 3 x Weekly Flights
- March 30, 2024 through October 2024: Daily Flights

"It has been great to have Aer Lingus back at Bradley International Airport," said Kevin A. Dillon, A.A.E., CAA Executive Director. "We're thrilled that our passengers will now continue to have more opportunities to experience Aer Lingus' exceptional service and to visit Ireland and beyond."

The route is operated by an A321neo LR aircraft, one of the most sustainable aircraft crossing the Atlantic, delivering up to 20% reduction in fuel burn and CO2 emissions and close to 50% reduction in noise footprint when compared to previous generation aircraft.

Reid Moody, Aer Lingus' Chief Strategy and Planning Officer said: "The extension of our nonstop Bradley International Airport to Dublin service reflects Aer Lingus' commitment to our North American expansion, as we grow the number of transatlantic routes from our Dublin hub. The route is Bradley's only direct service to Europe and continues to perform well, reflecting Aer Lingus' ability to connect North American customers not only with Ireland, but onwards to Europe."

In addition to the comfortable experience offered onboard the A321neo LR aircraft, transatlantic travelers will once again have the opportunity to enjoy high-speed internet access, an extensive in-flight entertainment selection, gourmet meals and the airline's award-winning cabin service.

Individuals traveling with Aer Lingus will also benefit from the added convenience of Dublin Airport, which offers U.S. Customs and Border Protection preclearance. This means that Bradley International Airport bound passengers will be able to complete all necessary US-entry requirements in Dublin ahead of their departure. Dublin Airport is one of only a few airports outside North America that offers a U.S. Preclearance facility. At Bradley International Airport, travelers arrive at the airport's main terminal, Terminal A.

To purchase tickets and for up-to-date information on flight schedules and fares, visit <u>aerlingus.com</u>.

About Bradley International Airport

Bradley International Airport (BDL) is New England's second-largest airport. Recognized nationally by leading travel publications for its ease of travel, Bradley International Airport is ready to welcome you with new nonstops and expanded services. The award-winning airport is operated by the Connecticut Airport Authority, and its operations are entirely self-funded. The airport contributes nearly \$3.6 billion to the regional economy. For more info, visit www.bradleyairport.com.

About The Connecticut Airport Authority

The CAA was established in 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). The CAA 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 Connecticut's airports more attractive to new airlines, bring in new routes, and support Connecticut's overall economic development and growth strategy.

About Aer Lingus

Aer Lingus is the Irish flag carrier, founded in 1936. In summer 2023, Aer Lingus will operate over 107 routes, flying to over 71 direct routes and to 83 destinations from Ireland to the UK and Europe. The airline operates 19 transatlantic routes from Dublin, Shannon and Manchester UK to North America and the Caribbean. Aer Lingus is a 4-Star airline, awarded by Skytrax, the international air transport rating organisation. Aer Lingus is a member of International Airlines Group (IAG), one of the world's largest airline groups. For more info, visit <u>www.aerlingus.com</u>.

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