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Bradley International Airport Expands Route Network with Major Expansion from JetBlue and New Routes with Avelo

Windsor Locks, CONN – July 24, 2024 – The Connecticut Airport Authority is pleased to announce that Bradley International Airport is expanding its route network to nearly fifty nonstop domestic and international destinations and is also significantly increasing flight options to Florida.

In November, the airport's long-time partner JetBlue will expand service between Bradley International Airport and the airline's most popular destinations in Florida. This means that JetBlue will be adding one daily flight to the following cities: Orlando, West Palm Beach, Tampa, Fort Myers and Fort Lauderdale. Overall, the change in frequencies will result in an increase of 35 additional weekly flights and an increase of seats by 30 percent this winter in comparison to last year.

JetBlue began its operations at Bradley International Airport in 2010. The airline offers nonstop service to seven destinations, including Los Angeles and San Juan. In 2023, it served nearly one million passengers from Bradley International Airport.

In November, Bradley International Airport will also welcome Avelo Airlines. Avelo will introduce new domestic and international routes, which will operate twice a week as follows:

- Charlotte/Concord, NC (USA) – Starting November 7
- Wilmington, NC (ILM) – Starting November 7
- Houston, TX (HOU) – Starting November 8
- Daytona Beach, FL (DAB) – Starting November 8
- Orlando/Lakeland, FL (LAL) – Starting November 8
- Montego Bay, Jamaica (MBJ) – Starting November 16
- Cancun, Mexico (CUN) – Starting November 20

Avelo joins Bradley International Airport as its twelfth airline and fourth ultra-low-cost carrier, complementing existing low fare service with Breeze Airways, Spirit Airlines, and Frontier Airlines.

“The Connecticut Airport Authority continues to aggressively market Bradley International Airport to existing and potential new airlines as the best choice for their operations in New England,” said Kevin A. Dillon, A.A.E., Executive Director of the Connecticut Airport Authority. “We thank JetBlue and Avelo for recognizing the airport’s potential and for their investment of aircraft and resources in Bradley International Airport.”

Today’s announcement builds on Bradley International Airport’s successes in the recruitment of new air service to Connecticut, which has resulted in the diversification of airlines, the establishment of an airline base of operations, and the addition of new nonstop destinations, which now span across the US, Canada, Caribbean, Mexico and Ireland. Since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020, the airport has increased its nonstop destinations by nearly 60 percent to 47 cities.

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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. For more info, visit <https://ctairports.org/about/caa-ten-year-anniversary/>.



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