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GAINESVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT WELCOMES AIR SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS

Gainesville No. 1 in On-time Performance in the State of Florida

GAINESVILLE, Fla. – Aug. 18, 2008 – Gainesville Regional Airport (GNV) will have more seats and flights in October and all jets this fall provided by its two commercial airline carriers, Delta and US Airways.

The airlines have been operating flights with strong load factors (percentage of seats filled on the aircraft) the past couple of months compared to last year. Additionally, the on-time performance for departing and arriving flights continues to improve. The U.S. DOT report released August 5 for the month of June indicated that Gainesville flights departed on average more than 90 percent on-time, which places Gainesville at the No. 1 position in the State of Florida and above the national average. Delta began operating all jets (CRJ-200) in June and will continue throughout the fall. The airline will operate six daily flights in October, providing an additional 500 seats and an additional daily flight this year compared to 2007.

“We welcome the improvements and will continue to work with airline officials as part of our on-going efforts to improve air service for North Central Florida residents and visitors,” said Allan Penksa, airport CEO.

The CRJ-200 aircraft is faster than the ATR-72 aircraft and has the ability to fly above inclement weather. The flight time for this aircraft is approximately 20 minutes less than the ATR-72. They also connect to the boarding bridges in Gainesville, completely sheltering passengers from the elements and allowing easier handicap access to the aircraft. Delta offers 138 domestic and 81 international one-stop connections to and from Gainesville. For reservations or flight information, call 1-800-221-1212 or visit <http://www.delta.com>. Through its Charlotte hub, US Airways offers connections to more than 120 cities. Please visit www.usairways.com or call 1-800-428-4322.

About Gainesville Regional Airport

Gainesville Regional Airport (GNV) serves North Central Florida through all facets of aviation: general aviation, commercial airlines, military and air cargo. Located in Gainesville, Florida, approximately 70 miles southwest of Jacksonville and just minutes away from the University of Florida, Gainesville Regional Airport provides a close, convenient and competitively priced “gateway” to the Heart of Florida.

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