

Connecticut Airport Authority Announces New Daily Nonstop Fort Myers and Tampa Service on JetBlue Airways 4/30/2013

New Service to begin October 24, 2013

WINDSOR LOCKS, CONNECTICUT – April 30, 2013 – The Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) is pleased to announce new JetBlue daily nonstop service from Bradley International Airport (BDL) to Fort Myers (RSW) and Tampa (TPA). These new routes will begin on October 24th and are available for sale today.

“With the creation of the CAA, we have focused on tapping the full potential of the state’s airports – particularly Bradley International – and making them regional economic drivers, capable of taking on additional airlines and routes, advancing tourism, creating thousands of direct and indirect jobs, and attracting new, more diverse commerce to Connecticut,” said Governor Dannel P. Malloy. “JetBlue has been a great partner in this effort and I appreciate their continued investment in Bradley International and the economic viability of our state.”

JetBlue’s Vice President Network Planning and Partnerships Scott Laurence said, “Our new flights to Fort Myers and Tampa are testament to the success of our existing Bradley service and the continued support of the community and the ease of which it is to work with the Connecticut Airport Authority. It’s that support exactly that allows us to further grow the excellent experience customers have come to know and love with JetBlue.”

Mary Ellen Jones, Chair of the CAA, said, “We are excited that JetBlue is adding to its offering of southbound daily nonstop destinations to and from Bradley International Airport. Bradley passengers will soon be able to select from six different warm weather JetBlue locations – as of October 24th, Fort Lauderdale, Fort Myers, Orlando, Tampa, San Juan, Puerto Rico, and West Palm Beach will all be available. We will continue to seek additional service enhancements for our customers throughout the region.”

Kevin A. Dillon, A.A.E., Executive Director of the CAA, said, “The addition of these new flights continues our efforts to enhance the overall route structure here at Bradley. We are committed to delivering the services that our customers need. The CAA looks forward to building on its great partnership with JetBlue, and I am confident that it will

continue to yield positive results.”

Bradley International Airport is the second largest airport in New England and serves an extensive geographic area, with a customer base that covers the entire Northeast, including Western Massachusetts, New York and New Jersey. According to the most recent economic impact analysis, Bradley International Airport contributes \$4 billion in economic activity to the state of Connecticut and the surrounding region, representing \$1.2 billion in wages and 18,000 full-time jobs.

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, specifically Bradley International Airport, more attractive to new airlines and bring in new routes, which supports Connecticut’s overall economic development and growth strategy.