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Hartsfield-Jackson Awarded Travel + Leisure’s Global Vision Leadership Award

Hartsfield-Jackson recognized for its leadership in reducing energy use throughout the airport

ATLANTA – Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport officials today announced that the airport has received Travel + Leisure’s 2014 Global Vision Leadership Award for its success in reducing energy consumption throughout the airport and commitment to being green. The Travel + Leisure Global Vision Awards recognize hotels, tour operators, airline and innovators that are transforming the way we see the world, now and in the future.

“It is an honor to receive Travel + Leisure’s Global Vision Leadership Award,” said Hartsfield-Jackson General Manager Miguel Southwell. “While we are currently recognized as being the world’s busiest and most efficient airport, we are committed to adding greenest to our accolades.”

“Since 1997, when environmental stewardship was first included in the airport’s master plan, Hartsfield-Jackson has transitioned from adapting sustainable practices to piloting creative solutions to reduce the per-passenger footprint at the world’s busiest and most efficient airport,” said Hartsfield-Jackson Director of Asset Management and Sustainability Michael Cheyne. “From replacing all the bathroom faucets with newer, more efficient models, to installing LED lights on our runways and parking lots, our team is dedicated to cutting energy use wherever we can.”

Travel + Leisure noted Hartsfield-Jackson’s new LEED Gold-certified international terminal and its significant reduction in per-passenger footprint—cutting 8 percent of its energy usage, 16 percent of its water consumption and 29 percent of waste since 2008—as reasons for awarding Hartsfield-Jackson with the Leadership Award.

Travel + Leisure’s 2014 Global Vision Awards recognized 15 honorees who are working to preserve and protect the places we travel through. The winners are recognized in five categories: community, culture, conservation, leadership and sustainability. The other winners were: Conservancy Safaris Namibia (Swakopmund, Namibia) for community; 21c Museum Hotels (Louisville, Kentucky) for culture; Campi Ya Kanzi (Chyulu Hills, Kenya) for conservation; and Naked Stables Private Reserve (Moganshan, China) for sustainability.

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Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world’s busiest and most efficient airport, serving more than 94.4 million passengers annually with nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and nearly 70 international destinations in more than 45 countries. ATL boasts a direct economic impact of \$32.5 billion in metro Atlanta and \$68.3 billion in Georgia. The Airport is the largest employer in Georgia, with more than 58,000

employees. The Airport is a frequent recipient of awards of excellence for concessions, operations, architectural engineering and construction – including the 2013 Global Efficiency Excellence Award from the Air Transport Research Society, 2013 Project of the Year, Architectural Category for the Maynard H. Jackson Jr. International Terminal from the American Association of Airport Executives Southeast chapter and the 2012 Best Airport in North America, Business Travel Award from the Business Traveler Magazine. ATL has completed more than \$6 billion worth of capital improvements, including a new, energy-efficient rental car center, a gold LEED-certified international terminal and aesthetic and functional upgrades to its concourses, people movers and parking services. For more information, go to www.atlanta-airport.com. Check out the Airport's YouTube channel by visiting www.youtube.com/AtlantaHartsfield, follow us on Twitter (@Atlanta_Airport) and become a fan on Facebook (Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport).