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Media Advisory

Hartsfield-Jackson Celebrates Earth Day with Passenger Participation Event

ATL continues efforts to become the greenest airport in the world

ATLANTA – Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) officials will mark Earth Day with a passenger participation event Friday, April 22. The Passenger Earth Day Celebration, held in the Domestic Terminal Atrium, will feature live music, environmentally friendly gifts, coloring books and crafts for children, and a 10-foot globe, which will be on display throughout the day. ATL, the world's most traveled airport, is making efforts to become the world's greenest airport. Please see below for a list of ATL's sustainability accomplishments.

NOTE TO REPORTERS: ATL's sustainability staffers will be available for interviews.

WHO: Michael Cheyne, director of asset management and sustainability, ATL

Liza Milagro, senior sustainability planner, ATL Polly Sattler, senior sustainability planner, ATL

WHAT: Passenger Earth Day Celebration

WHEN: Friday, April 22, 2016, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Press availability 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Domestic terminal atrium

Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

6000 North Terminal Parkway

Atlanta, GA 30320

ATL's sustainability accomplishments:

Improved lights at the domestic terminal parking garages

- Participated in the Better Buildings Challenge and recognized with Top Tier performing buildings for energy efficiency
- Purchased 20 Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) airport parking shuttles, increasing the total to 56 CNG shuttle buses
- Distributed single-stream recycling bins throughout the Central Passenger Terminal Complex (CPTC)
- Installed building management systems at all terminals for maximum HVAC energy efficiency
- Received an EPA Clean Water Act grant to incorporate green infrastructure into projects
- Implemented rainwater harvesting for landscaping
- Adopted the Sustainable Food Court Initiative requiring concessionaires to source separate organics and transition to recyclable service ware
- Created AERO (Airport Employee Ride Options), a transportation management association to reduce employee single-occupancy vehicle miles
- Hosted the inaugural International Sustainable Asset Management conference

ATL's 'firsts' in sustainability:

- 1st major hub airport to upgrade airfield lighting to 100 percent LED
- 1st airport to form an Airport Eco-District
- 1st airport to initiate an airport-wide incentive program to control airborne grease
- 1st airport in the United States to reach Global Reporting Initiative B+
- 1st airport in the United States to be certified through the International Organization for Standardization in energy management (ISO 50001)
- 1st airport to receive a Zero Emissions Vehicle FAA grant for the terminal-to-terminal electric shuttle bus

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Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world's most traveled and most efficient airport, serving more than 101 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 \$34.8 billion in metro Atlanta and a total direct economic impact of \$70.9 billion in Georgia. The Airport is the largest employer in Georgia, with more than 63,000 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.youtube.com/AtlantaHartsfield, follow us on Twitter (@ATLairport) and become a fan on Facebook (Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport).

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