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**Hartsfield-Jackson Celebrates Achievements of Air Cargo Community**  
*ATL, partners continue to show growth in cargo volume*

**ATLANTA** – Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) officials, along with the Metro Atlanta Chamber and the Atlanta Air Cargo Association, recognized air cargo stakeholders at the annual ATL Cargo Awards celebration Wednesday, June 21. More than 100 people attended the luncheon, held at the Airport’s North Cargo facility.

“Hartsfield-Jackson is committed to becoming one of the top cargo airports in the country,” said Airport General Manager Roosevelt Council, Jr. “Thanks to the hard work of all of our cargo partners, and in particular today’s award winners, ATL will achieve that goal and continue to serve as the region’s top economic generator.”

ATL moved 648,595 metric tons of cargo in 2016, a 3.58 percent increase over 2015’s total. ATLNext, the \$6 billion capital improvement project now underway at Hartsfield-Jackson, includes cargo infrastructure expansion plans that will facilitate continued cargo growth at the world’s busiest and most efficient airport.

During Wednesday’s luncheon, the following businesses and individuals were recognized:

**Cargo Airline of the Year** – Delta Air Lines.

**Belly-Cargo Airline of the Year** – United Airlines

**All-Cargo Airline of the Year** – FedEx

**Cargo Employee of the Year** – Justin Taylor, Elite Logistics

**Freight Forwarder of the Year** – Future Forwarding Company

**Trucking Company of the Year** – J&P Hall Express

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**Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport**

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world’s busiest and most efficient airport, serving more than 104 million passengers annually with nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and 70 international destinations in more than 50 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, sustainability, architectural engineering, and construction. ATL is now in the midst of a \$6 billion capital improvement program, ATLNext, that will modernize the Domestic Terminal and concourses, create new parking decks, construct a 440-room hotel, Class A commercial office space, add a new runway, new concourse and expand cargo facilities. For more information, visit [www.atl.com](http://www.atl.com).

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