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DOUBLE-DIGIT PASSENGER INCREASE FOR SIXTH STRAIGHT MONTH

Gainesville, FL – April 21, 2005 – Gainesville Regional Airport published its monthly report of airline traffic volumes for March, revealing a 39.7% increase in enplaned passengers on scheduled service over the same month in 2004. Enplaned passenger growth for the most recent six months compares to the same month in the prior year as follows:

October	33.4%
November	41.7%
December	35.6%
January	63.2%
February	60.6%
March	39.7%

Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority Chair Jim Stringfellow comments that “Gainesville Regional Airport is clearly at the dawn of a bright new era; competition has been greatly enhanced with our two new air carriers (Continental Connection and Northwest Airlines), prices are much more closely aligned with the larger airports just beyond our region, we have some exciting new business activities joining as tenants, and within the next few months we will be wrapping up projects representing over \$10 million in infrastructure development in this community.” Within the past twelve months the Airport has

undertaken and substantially completed several large-scale projects that include the refurbishment of its primary runway, piping of an open ditch parallel to that runway and completion of Phase 1 of the Terminal Renovation project. Eclipse Aviation has also announced that it intends to open its first factory service center in Gainesville, which will support over 1000 aircraft throughout the southeast United States, under 55,000 square feet of roof, with approximately 20 new employees.

CEO Rick Crider states “our air service analyses show that Gainesville Regional Airport captures less than 30% of the traffic within this market, so airlines choosing to invest seat capacity, jet equipment and alternative destinations are being richly rewarded; I see no reason for this trend to slow, as competitive forces have driven down the fares offered at Gainesville Regional Airport.” Three passenger boarding bridges, covered walkways that connect the terminal building to the aircraft, are being installed this week, and the Authority has commissioned the design of Phase 2 of the Terminal Renovation, which will go out for bids later this year.

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