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Republic Airways Holdings Reports a 47.6% increase in April 2005 Traffic

Indianapolis, Indiana, (May 5, 2005) – Republic Airways Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ/NM: RJET), parent company of Chautauqua Airlines, today reported preliminary passenger traffic results for April 2005. The company generated 354.4 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs), a 47.6% increase over the same month last year, while available seat miles (ASMs) increased to 489.8 million, a 40.6% increase. Load factor was 72.4% versus 68.9% in April 2004. A total of 713,134 passengers were carried during the month, a 45.9% increase over the same month last year.

	<u>April</u>		
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>Change</u>
Revenue Passenger Miles (000)	354,367	240,063	47.6%
Available Seat Miles (000)	489,789	348,359	40.6%
Load Factor	72.4%	68.9%	3.5 pts.
Passengers	713,134	488,693	45.9%

	<u>Year to Date</u>		
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>Change</u>
Revenue Passenger Miles (000)	1,295,923	854,198	51.7%
Available Seat Miles (000)	1,895,824	1,364,514	38.9%
Load Factor	68.4%	62.6%	5.8 pts.
Passengers	2,648,445	1,729,300	53.2%

Chautauqua Airlines offers scheduled passenger service on more than 700 flights daily to 76 cities in 32 states, the District of Columbia, Canada and the Bahamas through code sharing agreements with four major U.S. airlines. The airline currently operates a fleet of 118 Embraer regional jets, including 68 ERJ-145s, 15 ERJ-140s, 17 ERJ-135s and 18 Embraer 170's. All of its flights are operated under its major airline partner brand, such as AmericanConnection, Delta Connection, United Express and US Airways Express. The airline employs more than 2,500 aviation professionals.

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