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Republic Airways Reports a 50% Increase in April 2006 Traffic

Indianapolis, Indiana, (May 1, 2006) – Republic Airways Holdings (NASDAQ/NM: RJET), today reported preliminary passenger traffic results for April 2006. The company generated 542 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs), a 49.7% increase over the same month last year, while available seat miles (ASMs) increased to 721 million, a 43.8% increase. Block hours were 43,540 in April 2006, an 18.5% increase over April 2005. Load factor was 75.1% versus 72.2% in April 2005. A total of 1,021,431 passengers were carried during the month, a 36.1% increase over the same month last year.

April

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>Change</u>
RPMs (000s)	541,515	361,676	49.7%
ASMs (000s)	720,618	501,269	43.8%
Block Hours	43,540	36,746	18.5%
Load Factor	75.1%	72.2%	2.9 pp
Passengers	1,021,431	750,270	36.1%

Year to Date

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>Change</u>
RPMs (000s)	1,915,805	1,323,362	44.8%
ASMs (000s)	2,685,821	1,940,914	38.4%
Block Hours	165,172	146,095	13.1%
Load Factor	71.3%	68.2%	3.1 pp
Passengers	3,576,679	2,787,649	28.3%

Republic Airways Holdings, based in Indianapolis, Indiana is an airline holding company that owns Chautauqua Airlines, Republic Airlines and Shuttle America. The airlines offer scheduled passenger service on approximately 875 flights daily to 81 cities in 34 states, Canada, Mexico and the Bahamas through airline services agreements with four major U.S. airlines. All of the airlines' flights are operated under their major airline partner brand, such as AmericanConnection, Delta Connection, United Express and US Airways Express. The airlines currently employ over 3,000 aviation professionals and operate 155 regional jet aircraft including 60 E170 aircraft.

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