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Republic Airways Reports a 49% Increase in September 2006 Traffic

Indianapolis, Indiana, (October 4, 2006) – Republic Airways Holdings (NASDAQ/NM: RJET), today reported preliminary passenger traffic results for September 2006. The company generated 535 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs), a 49% increase over the same month last year, while available seat miles (ASMs) increased to 799 million, a 45% increase. Block hours were 48,771 in September 2006, a 28.8% increase over September 2005. Load factor was 66.9% versus 65.0% in September 2005. A total of 1,042,867 passengers were carried during the month, a 42.8% increase over the same month last year.

	<u>September</u>		
RPMs (000s) ASMs (000s) Block Hours Load Factor Passengers	2006 534,827 799,018 48,771 66.9% 1,042,867	2005 358,973 552,099 37,879 65.0% 730,543	Change 49.0% 44.7% 28.8% 1.9 pp 42.8%
	Quarter to Date		
RPMs (000s) ASMs (000s) Block Hours Load Factor Passengers	2006 1,808,115 2,479,659 149,288 72.9% 3,456,979	2005 1,153,478 1,692,544 120,454 68.2% 2,385,522 Year to Date	Change 56.8% 46.5% 23.9% 4.7 pp 44.9%
RPMs (000s) ASMs (000s) Block Hours Load Factor Passengers	2006 4,918,383 6,702,458 407,540 73.4% 9,340,356	2005 3,243,887 4,705,310 345,061 68.9% 6,769,088	Change 51.6% 42.4% 18.1% 4.5 pp 38.0%

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 1,000 flights daily to 91 cities in 36 states, Canada, Mexico and the U.S. Virgin Islands 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 approximately 3,500 aviation professionals and operate 170 regional jet aircraft including 75 E170 aircraft.