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### **LEE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY EMPLOYEE PRESENTED FLORIDA AIRPORTS COUNCIL AWARD**

FORT MYERS, Fla. (May 10, 2010) – The Florida Airports Council (FAC) presented the 2010 Honorary Mark Winkelmann Blue Light Award to William (Bill) Spaulding of the Lee County Port Authority at the 2010 FAC Facilities and Information Technology Conference in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

The FAC Facilities Committee presents the Honorary Mark Winkelmann Blue Light Award to a general aviation or commercial airport employee who has demonstrated exemplary service, skill and aptitude specifically in the field of airport facilities and maintenance. The 2010 award was presented to Spaulding, an LCPA maintenance department senior fabricator/welder at Southwest Florida International Airport (RSW).

Spaulding joined the airport in 1990 as a maintenance worker and was promoted to tradesworker that same year. In 2004, he was promoted to his current position as senior fabricator/welder. He has fabricated parts for everything from passenger loading bridges to the Baggage Handling System (BHS). Spaulding led the team that designed and constructed elevated platforms with safety rails and ladders to facilitate maintenance on the BHS at any time, safely and without disruption to normal operations.

The Florida Airports Council is an association of publicly-owned and operated airports, airport professionals, experts in the fields of airport design, development and improvement as well as aviation trades that support the airport industry in Florida. For more information, visit [www.floridaairports.org](http://www.floridaairports.org).

Southwest Florida International Airport served more than 7.4 million passengers in 2009 and is one of the top 50 U.S. airports for passenger traffic. No ad valorem (property) taxes are used for airport operation or construction. For more information, log onto [www.flylcpa.com](http://www.flylcpa.com).