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SOUTHWEST FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT REPORTS MARCH TRAFFIC

FORT MYERS, Fla. (April 18, 2014) – During March, 1,147,059 passengers traveled through Southwest Florida International Airport, an increase of 2.8 percent compared to March 2013. Year-to-date, passenger traffic is up 3.3 percent from the same period last year.

“March marked the highest single month for passenger traffic in our 31-year history, culminating in a record-breaking first quarter at RSW,” said Robert M. Ball, A.A.E., executive director of the Lee County Port Authority. “I want to thank our airline partners, the Transportation Security Administration, Lee County VCB Visitors Services volunteers, rental car companies, Standard Parking, food & beverage and retail concessionaires and Lee County Port Authority staff for working together to make this winter season so successful.”

The traffic leader in March was Southwest 246,451 passengers traveling to and from Fort Myers. Rounding out the top five airlines were Delta (243,177), JetBlue (119,242), United (115,270) and US Airways (112,926).

Southwest Florida International Airport had 10,311 aircraft movements (takeoffs and landings), a decrease of 1.7 percent compared to March 2013. Page Field saw 9,503 movements, an 11.6 percent increase from March 2013. In addition, more than 3.2 million pounds of air freight moved through Southwest Florida International Airport in March 2014, an increase of 5.4 percent compared to March 2013.

Southwest Florida International Airport served more than 7.6 million passengers in 2013 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 or Like Us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/flyRSW.