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Delta Air Lines Reports February Traffic

ATLANTA, Mar. 5, 2009 – Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today reported traffic results for February 2009.

Delta and Northwest Combined

On a combined basis, system traffic in February 2009 decreased 11.0 percent compared to February 2008 on a 7.8 percent decrease in capacity, and load factor declined 2.7 points to 74.3 percent.

Domestic traffic decreased 11.5 percent year over year on an 11.0 percent decrease in capacity. Domestic load factor decreased 0.4 points to 78.0 percent. International traffic decreased 10.1 percent year over year on a 1.9 percent decrease in capacity, and load factor declined 6.2 points to 68.3 percent.

Delta

Delta's system traffic in February 2009 decreased 9.2 percent compared to February 2008 on a capacity decrease of 6.2 percent. Delta's system load factor decreased 2.4 points to 72.5 percent.

Northwest

Northwest's system traffic in February 2009 decreased 13.6 percent compared to February 2008 on a capacity decrease of 10.2 percent. Northwest's system load factor decreased 3.0 points to 77.2 percent.

Detailed traffic and capacity are attached.

Delta Air Lines is the world's largest airline. From its hubs in Atlanta, Cincinnati, Detroit, Memphis, Minneapolis-St. Paul, New York-JFK, Salt Lake City and Tokyo-Narita, Delta, its Northwest subsidiary and Delta Connection carriers offer service to 379 destinations in 66 countries and serve more than 170 million passengers each year. Delta's marketing alliances allow customers to earn and redeem either SkyMiles or WorldPerks on more than 16,000 daily flights offered by SkyTeam and other partners. Delta's more than 70,000 employees worldwide are reshaping the aviation industry as the only U.S. airline to offer a full global network. Customers can check in for flights, print boarding passes, check bags and flight status at delta.com.

Delta and Northwest Combined
Monthly Traffic Results [(a)]

	February 2009	February 2008	Change
RPMs (000):			
Domestic	8,449,192	9,544,594	(11.5%)
Mainline	6,683,711	7,725,011	(13.5%)
Regional	1,765,481	1,819,583	(3.0%)
International	4,384,991	4,877,222	(10.1%)
Latin America	776,470	891,580	(12.9%)
Mainline	763,347	840,975	(9.2%)
Regional	13,123	50,605	(74.1%)
Atlantic	2,146,056	2,386,769	(10.1%)
Pacific	1,462,465	1,598,873	(8.5%)
System	12,834,182	14,421,816	(11.0%)
ASMs (000):			
Domestic	10,837,836	12,173,635	(11.0%)
Mainline	8,367,820	9,713,757	(13.9%)
Regional	2,470,016	2,459,878	0.4%
International	6,424,647	6,549,294	(1.9%)
Latin America	1,086,827	1,162,480	(6.5%)
Mainline	1,067,123	1,095,007	(2.5%)
Regional	19,704	67,473	(70.8%)
Atlantic	3,513,162	3,472,584	1.2%
Pacific	1,824,658	1,914,230	(4.7%)
System	17,262,483	18,722,929	(7.8%)
Load Factor			
Domestic	78.0%	78.4%	(0.4) pts
Mainline	79.9%	79.5%	0.4 pts
Regional	71.5%	74.0%	(2.5) pts
International	68.3%	74.5%	(6.2) pts
Latin America	71.4%	76.7%	(5.3) pts
Mainline	71.5%	76.8%	(5.3) pts
Regional	66.6%	75.0%	(8.4) pts
Atlantic	61.1%	68.7%	(7.6) pts
Pacific	80.2%	83.5%	(3.3) pts
System	74.3%	77.0%	(2.7) pts
Passengers Boarded	11,400,216	12,864,760	(11.4%)
Cargo Ton Miles (000):			
Mail	6,589	9,258	(28.8%)
Freight	148,993	220,967	(32.6%)
System	155,582	230,225	(32.4%)

Endnote:

[a] Results include operations under contract carrier arrangements.

Delta
Monthly Traffic Results [(a)]

	February 2009	February 2008	Change
RPMs (000):			
Domestic	5,195,531	5,882,426	(11.7%)
Mainline	4,074,238	4,561,026	(10.7%)
Regional	1,121,293	1,321,400	(15.1%)
International	2,498,386	2,590,168	(3.5%)
Latin America	776,470	891,580	(12.9%)
Mainline	763,347	840,975	(9.2%)
Regional	13,123	50,605	(74.1%)
Atlantic	1,571,348	1,598,077	(1.7%)
Pacific	150,568	100,511	49.8%
System	7,693,917	8,472,594	(9.2%)
ASMs (000):			
Domestic	6,716,527	7,631,864	(12.0%)
Mainline	5,176,090	5,865,070	(11.7%)
Regional	1,540,437	1,766,794	(12.8%)
International	3,890,306	3,675,723	5.8%
Latin America	1,086,827	1,162,480	(6.5%)
Mainline	1,067,123	1,095,007	(2.5%)
Regional	19,704	67,473	(70.8%)
Atlantic	2,589,053	2,373,814	9.1%
Pacific	214,426	139,429	53.8%
System	10,606,833	11,307,587	(6.2%)
Load Factor			
Domestic	77.4%	77.1%	0.3 pts
Mainline	78.7%	77.8%	0.9 pts
Regional	72.8%	74.8%	(2.0) pts
International	64.2%	70.5%	(6.3) pts
Latin America	71.4%	76.7%	(5.3) pts
Mainline	71.5%	76.8%	(5.3) pts
Regional	66.6%	75.0%	(8.4) pts
Atlantic	60.7%	67.3%	(6.6) pts
Pacific	70.2%	72.1%	(1.9) pts
System	72.5%	74.9%	(2.4) pts
Passengers Boarded	7,087,447	7,909,140	(10.4%)
Completion Factor	99.2%	98.4%	0.8pts
Cargo Ton Miles (000):			
Mail	4,077	4,885	(16.6%)
Freight	74,033	89,065	(16.9%)
System	78,110	93,950	(16.9%)

Endnote:

[a] Results include operations under contract carrier arrangements.

Northwest
Monthly Traffic Results [a]

	February 2009	February 2008	Change
RPMs (000):			
Domestic	3,253,661	3,662,168	(11.2%)
Mainline	2,609,473	3,163,985	(17.5%)
Regional	644,188	498,183	29.3%
International	1,886,605	2,287,054	(17.5%)
Atlantic	574,708	788,692	(27.1%)
Pacific	1,311,897	1,498,362	(12.4%)
System	5,140,265	5,949,222	(13.6%)
ASMs (000):			
Domestic	4,121,309	4,541,771	(9.3%)
Mainline	3,191,730	3,848,687	(17.1%)
Regional	929,579	693,084	34.1%
International	2,534,341	2,873,571	(11.8%)
Atlantic	924,109	1,098,770	(15.9%)
Pacific	1,610,232	1,774,801	(9.3%)
System	6,655,650	7,415,342	(10.2%)
Load Factor			
Domestic	78.9%	80.6%	(1.7) pts
Mainline	81.8%	82.2%	(0.4) pts
Regional	69.3%	71.9%	(2.6) pts
International	74.4%	79.6%	(5.2) pts
Atlantic	62.2%	71.8%	(9.6) pts
Pacific	81.5%	84.4%	(2.9) pts
System	77.2%	80.2%	(3.0) pts
Passengers Boarded:	4,312,769	4,955,620	(13.0%)
Completion Factor	98.3%	95.6%	2.7pts
Cargo Ton Miles (000):			
Mail	2,512	4,373	(42.6%)
Freight	74,960	131,902	(43.2%)
System	77,472	136,275	(43.2%)

Endnote:

[a] Results include operations under contract carrier arrangements.

Delta and Northwest Combined
Year to Date Traffic Results [(a)]

	February 2009	February 2008	Change
RPMs (000):			
Domestic	17,318,813	19,178,776	(9.7%)
Mainline	13,743,751	15,523,855	(11.5%)
Regional	3,575,062	3,654,921	(2.2%)
International	10,042,343	10,475,195	(4.1%)
Latin America	1,754,544	1,892,094	(7.3%)
Mainline	1,723,025	1,793,565	(3.9%)
Regional	31,519	98,529	(68.0%)
Atlantic	5,024,043	5,214,742	(3.7%)
Pacific	3,263,756	3,368,359	(3.1%)
System	27,361,156	29,653,970	(7.7%)
ASMs (000):			
Domestic	22,428,721	24,868,098	(9.8%)
Mainline	17,330,197	19,809,867	(12.5%)
Regional	5,098,524	5,058,231	0.8%
International	13,915,040	13,659,356	1.9%
Latin America	2,377,061	2,378,072	(0.0%)
Mainline	2,330,476	2,246,781	3.7%
Regional	46,585	131,291	(64.5%)
Atlantic	7,553,727	7,296,164	3.5%
Pacific	3,984,252	3,985,120	(0.0%)
System	36,343,761	38,527,455	(5.7%)
Load Factor			
Domestic	77.2%	77.1%	0.1 pts
Mainline	79.3%	78.4%	0.9 pts
Regional	70.1%	72.3%	(2.2) pts
International	72.2%	76.7%	(4.5) pts
Latin America	73.8%	79.6%	(5.8) pts
Mainline	73.9%	79.8%	(5.9) pts
Regional	67.7%	75.0%	(7.3) pts
Atlantic	66.5%	71.5%	(5.0) pts
Pacific	81.9%	84.5%	(2.6) pts
System	75.3%	77.0%	(1.7) pts
Passengers Boarded	23,569,818	25,951,799	(9.2%)
Cargo Ton Miles (000):			
Mail	13,962	18,750	(25.5%)
Freight	291,459	449,605	(35.2%)
System	305,421	468,355	(34.8%)

Endnote:
[a] Results include operations under contract carrier arrangements.

Delta
Year to Date Traffic Results [(a)]

	February 2009	February 2008	Change
RPMs (000):			
Domestic	10,799,594	11,890,187	(9.2%)
Mainline	8,531,127	9,228,534	(7.6%)
Regional	2,268,467	2,661,653	(14.8%)
International	5,768,862	5,658,071	2.0%
Latin America	1,754,544	1,892,094	(7.3%)
Mainline	1,723,025	1,793,565	(3.9%)
Regional	31,519	98,529	(68.0%)
Atlantic	3,664,505	3,531,954	3.8%
Pacific	349,813	234,023	49.5%
System	16,568,456	17,548,258	(5.6%)
ASMs (000):			
Domestic	14,055,064	15,653,232	(10.2%)
Mainline	10,895,357	12,012,486	(9.3%)
Regional	3,159,707	3,640,746	(13.2%)
International	8,364,325	7,695,278	8.7%
Latin America	2,377,061	2,378,072	(0.0%)
Mainline	2,330,476	2,246,781	3.7%
Regional	46,585	131,291	(64.5%)
Atlantic	5,527,272	5,012,212	10.3%
Pacific	459,992	304,994	50.8%
System	22,419,389	23,348,510	(4.0%)
Load Factor			
Domestic	76.8%	76.0%	0.8 pts
Mainline	78.3%	76.8%	1.5 pts
Regional	71.8%	73.1%	(1.3) pts
International	69.0%	73.5%	(4.5) pts
Latin America	73.8%	79.6%	(5.8) pts
Mainline	73.9%	79.8%	(5.9) pts
Regional	67.7%	75.0%	(7.3) pts
Atlantic	66.3%	70.5%	(4.2) pts
Pacific	76.0%	76.7%	(0.7) pts
System	73.9%	75.2%	(1.3) pts
Passengers Boarded	14,734,609	15,967,171	(7.7%)
Cargo Ton Miles (000):			
Mail	8,707	9,904	(12.1%)
Freight	146,724	172,656	(15.0%)
System	155,432	182,560	(14.9%)

Endnote:
[a] Results include operations under contract carrier arrangements.

Northwest
Year to Date Traffic Results [(a)]

	February 2009	February 2008	Change
RPMs (000):			
Domestic	6,519,219	7,288,589	(10.6%)
Mainline	5,212,624	6,295,321	(17.2%)
Regional	1,306,595	993,268	31.5%
International	4,273,481	4,817,124	(11.3%)
Atlantic	1,359,538	1,682,788	(19.2%)
Pacific	2,913,943	3,134,336	(7.0%)
System	10,792,700	12,105,712	(10.8%)
ASMs (000):			
Domestic	8,373,657	9,214,866	(9.1%)
Mainline	6,434,840	7,797,381	(17.5%)
Regional	1,938,817	1,417,485	36.8%
International	5,550,715	5,964,078	(6.9%)
Atlantic	2,026,455	2,283,952	(11.3%)
Pacific	3,524,260	3,680,126	(4.2%)
System	13,924,372	15,178,945	(8.3%)
Load Factor			
Domestic	77.9%	79.1%	(1.2) pts
Mainline	81.0%	80.7%	0.3 pts
Regional	67.4%	70.1%	(2.7) pts
International	77.0%	80.8%	(3.8) pts
Atlantic	67.1%	73.7%	(6.6) pts
Pacific	82.7%	85.2%	(2.5) pts
System	77.5%	79.8%	(2.3) pts
Passengers Boarded:	8,835,209	9,984,628	(11.5%)
Cargo Ton Miles (000):			
Mail	5,255	8,846	(40.6%)
Freight	144,735	276,949	(47.7%)
System	149,990	285,795	(47.5%)

Endnote:

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