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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **SkyWest Airlines Announces Accelerated Delta Connection Growth Plan**

**St. George, UT, April 25, 2001** - - SkyWest Airlines, a subsidiary of SkyWest, Inc. (Nasdaq: SKYW), announced plans today to take delivery of five re-marketed Canadair Regional Jets (CRJs) through jet manufacturer Bombardier Aerospace of Canada. The jets will be used to accelerate Delta Connection's Salt Lake City growth plan and will begin scheduled air service on June 1, 2001.

The five jets are being leased by SkyWest and will not increase the airline's overall CRJ order with Bombardier. They do, however, allow SkyWest to provide flights that would have been unavailable until early next year. The new jets will fly routes between Delta's Salt Lake City hub and Austin, Texas; Calgary, Alberta; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Rapid City, South Dakota; Omaha, Nebraska; Des Moines, Iowa; and Tucson, Arizona.

"We're very pleased that Bombardier has been able to accommodate our accelerated growth plan," commented SkyWest Airlines President and CEO, Jerry Atkin. "Moving the delivery of these jets forward is good news for our employees, shareholders, and passengers."

"The growth at SkyWest is very exciting," commented SkyWest Airlines Senior Director of People, Necia Clark-Mantle. "Each new jet means approximately 35 new positions in the company. This is great news for us and for the communities we serve."

The CRJ is the most environmentally sound jet in the world and provides improved performance and fuel savings, as well as state-of-the-art digital technology systems. The CRJ ensures passenger comfort by providing two-by-two seating while cruising at 530 miles per hour at altitudes as high as 41,000 feet.

SkyWest Airlines operates as Delta Connection under a marketing agreement with Delta Air Lines. As a Delta Connection carrier, the airline serves 42 cities with over 250 daily flights in the United States and Canada. SkyWest's current Delta Connection fleet of 15 CRJs and 16 Brasilia EMB-120s will grow to 46 CRJs and 14 Brasilias by the end of 2003. SkyWest Airlines is the nation's largest independently operated regional carrier and is based in St. George, Utah.

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The schedules for the cities served by the new deliveries are as follows:

**Austin to Salt Lake City**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
8:30 am	10:19 am	3918	Daily	Eff 6/2/01

**Salt Lake City to Austin**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
4:40 pm	8:16 pm	3919	Daily	Eff 6/1/01

**Albuquerque to Salt Lake City**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
8:50 am	10:20 am	3920	Daily	Eff 6/2/01
12:26 pm	1:55 pm	3832	Daily	
4:15 pm	5:46 pm	3834	Daily	
6:15 pm	7:45 pm	3956	Daily	

**Salt Lake City to Albuquerque**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
10:15 am	11:48 am	3831	Daily	
2:10 pm	3:41 pm	3833	Daily	
4:14 pm	5:45 pm	3955	Daily	
10:25 pm	11:56 pm	3921	Daily	Eff 6/1/01

**Calgary to Salt Lake City**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
6:50 am	8:45 am	3852	Daily	
12:07 pm	2:00 pm	3854	Daily	
1:45 pm	3:38 pm	3930	Daily	Eff 6/1/01
5:28 pm	7:24 pm	3856	Daily	

**Salt Lake City to Calgary**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
9:37 am	11:37 am	3851	Daily	
11:15 am	1:15 pm	3929	Daily	Eff 6/1/01
2:45 pm	4:45 pm	3853	Daily	
9:55 pm	11:54 pm	3855	Daily	

**Des Moines to Salt Lake City**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
6:10 am	7:50 am	3924	Daily	Eff 6/2/01
12:25 pm	2:05 pm	3926	Daily	Eff 6/1/01

**Salt Lake City to Des Moines**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
8:25 am	11:55 am	3925	Daily	Eff 6/1/01
4:35 pm	8:05 pm	3927	Daily	Eff 6/1/01

**Omaha to Salt Lake City**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
6:30 am	7:54 am	3977	Daily	
1:01 pm	2:20 pm	3979	Daily	
7:50 pm	9:10 pm	3936	Daily	Eff 6/1/01

**Salt Lake City to Omaha**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
9:26 am	12:31 pm	3978	Daily	
4:20 pm	7:25 pm	3935	Daily	Eff 6/1/01
8:30 pm	11:40 pm	3980	Daily	

**Rapid City to Salt Lake City**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
6:20 am	7:56 am	3858	Daily	
12:26 pm	2:00 pm	3940	Daily	Eff 6/1/01
4:35 pm	6:10 pm	3860	Daily	
6:20 pm	7:54 pm	3896	Daily	

**Salt Lake City to Rapid City**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
10:30 am	11:59 am	3933	Daily	Eff 6/1/01
2:35 pm	4:04 pm	3859	Daily	
4:20 pm	5:49 pm	3897	Daily	
8:25 pm	9:52 pm	3861	Daily	

**Tucson to Salt Lake City**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
6:20 am	9:00 am	3906	Daily	Eff 6/2/01
12:50 pm	3:30 pm	3922	Daily	Eff 6/1/01
6:10 pm	8:50 pm	3928	Daily	Eff 6/1/01

**Salt Lake City to Tucson**

<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Flight#</u>	<u>Freq</u>	
11:05 am	11:45 am	3915	Daily	Eff 6/1/01
4:30 pm	5:10 pm	3923	Daily	Eff 6/1/01
10:10 pm	10:50 pm	3931	Daily	Eff 6/1/01

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