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SkyWest Airlines to Expand United Express Regional Jet and Brasilia Service throughout the West

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St. George, Utah, December 20, 2001 – SkyWest Airlines, a subsidiary of SkyWest, Inc. (Nasdaq: SKYW), announced plans to add service in February and March with new flight additions at its San Francisco and Los Angeles hubs. The additional expansion is possible, in part, as the carrier takes delivery of its ninth and tenth United Express Regional Jet aircraft. Service will support partner United Airlines as it continues to grow and restructure its California operations.

At San Francisco, SkyWest will operate four daily roundtrips to/from Boise effective February 15. The new service represents the carriers first United Express Regional Jet service in the Boise market. SkyWest will also add a fifth daily San Francisco-Santa Barbara roundtrip February 15 to accommodate strong demand in that market. The new Santa Barbara nonstop will feature 30-passenger Brasilia aircraft which will support four existing Regional Jet roundtrips between the two cities.

SkyWest will also supplement existing service between Los Angeles and San Diego with five additional Brasilia roundtrips effective February 15. The new additions will provide a total of 22 daily United Express roundtrips between the two cities with service operating every sixty minutes--every half hour during peak travel periods through the day.

Effective March 5, SkyWest will introduce its tenth United Express Regional Jet with three new daily roundtrips between Los Angeles and Colorado Springs. The new flights reflect United's first ever, nonstop service between LA and Colorado Springs.

"As SkyWest continues to build it's fleet of popular 50-passenger Canadair RJs, we're very pleased to add service from California to both Boise and Colorado Springs," comments SkyWest Vice President-Market Development, Steven Hart. "Those additions, along with additional Brasilia service within the California markets, reflect SkyWest and United's commitment to serving Golden State travelers."

SkyWest Airlines is the nation's largest independently operated airline and is based in St. George, Utah. The airline serves as United Express under a marketing agreement with United Airlines. Information on SkyWest Airlines can be accessed on the Internet at www.skywest.com. For more information on flight schedules and reservations visit United Airlines at www.united.com.

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