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SKYWEST AIRLINES REPORTS AUGUST TRAFFIC

ST. GEORGE, UT, PRNewswire/ -- (NASDAQ: SKYW) SkyWest Airlines, Inc. reported a 32.5 percent increase in revenue passenger miles (RPMs) for August, while available seat miles (ASMs) increased 32.6 percent compared to the same period last year. The airline generated 709.9 million RPMs for the month, while ASMs increased to 919.9 million. Load factor was down 0.1 percentage points to 77.2 percent compared to 77.3 percent for the same period last year. Passenger boardings for August totaled 1,496,462 an 15.4 percent increase over August 2004.

SkyWest currently operates as United Express and Delta Connection carriers under contractual agreements with United Airlines and Delta Air Lines. System-wide, SkyWest serves a total of 114 cities in 36 states and 3 Canadian provinces with 1,501 daily departures. This press release and additional information regarding SkyWest can be accessed at www.skywest.com.

FLIGHT STATISTICS
SkyWest Airlines August Traffic

	2005	2004	% Change
Passengers	1,496,462	1,296,980	15.4
Revenue Passenger Miles	709,958,570	535,946,436	32.5
Available Seat Miles	919,911,588	693,562,240	32.6
Load Factor	77.2	77.3	(0.1) pts

Calendar Year-To-Date

	2005	2004	% Change
Passengers	10,848,532	8,590,595	26.3
Revenue Passenger Miles	4,962,994,738	3,506,964,926	41.5
Available Seat Miles	6,584,029,498	4,774,309,400	37.9
Load Factor	75.4	73.2	2.2 pts