

Air Canada to launch direct Halifax-Orlando seasonal service

MONTREAL Oct 21 /CNW Telbec/ - Air Canada announced today that beginning February 6, 2009, it will launch bi-weekly non-stop seasonal service between Halifax and Orlando. This seasonal service will be offered until May 10, 2009.

"The introduction of this new non-stop seasonal service offers Atlantic Canada the convenience of direct flights to one of the most popular destinations in Florida and more service from Halifax to Florida than any other airline," said Daniel Shurz, Air Canada's vice president responsible for network planning at Air Canada and Jazz. "The new Halifax-Orlando service reflects our ongoing commitment to pursue all viable market opportunities in

Air Canada's Halifax-Orlando seasonal flights offer convenient departures on Fridays and Sundays, with flight AC1218 departing Halifax at 15:00 and arriving in Orlando at 18:00. Air Canada flight AC1219 will then depart Orlando at 18:40 and arrive in Halifax at 23:00. Flights are operated using 120-seat Airbus A319 aircraft on Friday and 93-seat Embraer E190 aircraft on Sunday offering a choice of Executive Class and Economy service, free personal audio-video entertainment at every seat and a choice of 24 movies and 200 hours of TV programming.

Air Canada has proudly served Halifax longer than any other carrier and has contributed over that period to the development of the greater Halifax area. Air Canada, Air Canada Jazz and Air Canada Vacations offer from Halifax up to 387 scheduled flights a week to 26 destinations. In addition to new seasonal service to Orlando, Air Canada's Halifax winter schedule includes flights to Bermuda: Cancun and Cozumel, Mexico: Cavo Coco, Holguin and Varadero, Cuba; Puerto Plata and Punta Canada, Dominican Republic; Montego Bay, Jamaica.

Montreal-based Air Canada provides scheduled and charter air transportation for passengers and cargo to more than 170 destinations on five continents. Canada's flag carrier is the 14th largest commercial airline in the world and serves 34 million customers annually with a fleet consisting of 335 aircraft. Air Canada is a founding member of Star Alliance, providing the world's most comprehensive air transportation network for Canadian domestic, transborder and international travel. Air Canada aircraft offer customers individualized seatback in-flight entertainment systems with hundreds of hours of digital audio-visual entertainment. As well, customers can collect Aeroplan miles for future awards through Canada's leading loyalty program.

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