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Another Record Month At Orlando Sanford

Sanford, FL, September 30, 2003 – Passenger traffic at Orlando Sanford International Airport (SFB) for August 2003 was up from August 2002, an increase of 7.5%. For the second straight month, a record number of passengers (181,790) used the airport, eclipsing the old record of 174,088 set in July. Although year-to-date figures show total passenger traffic down 14%, two consecutive record months has positioned the airport to realize positive growth by the end of the year. The traffic mix for August was 49,370 domestic travelers, up 45%; and 132,420 international, up 1%. International traffic from the United Kingdom is up 11% over August 2002 and up 7.5% year-to-date over 2002. Cargo volume was down 20%, processing 743 tons during the month, and aircraft operations were up 19% to 35,394.

Larry Dale, President of the Sanford Airport Authority stated, “We are thrilled with the growth the Airport has seen the past two months. It is indicative of the vitality of the Central Florida market and the strength of the mix of our growing international and domestic airline service offerings.”

Airports Council International (ACI) ranked SFB as the fastest growing North American airport in 2000 and 2001, among airports with one million or more annual passengers. Orlando Sanford International Airport is located near the Orlando attractions and is also convenient to Daytona Beach. Adjacent to the airport are the business communities of Lake Mary and Heathrow, part of Florida’s “High Tech Corridor.” Airlines and their passengers enjoy convenient parking, new terminal facilities, short walking distances, and lower operating costs.

For more information about SFB, visit the airport’s website at

www.OrlandoSanfordAirport.com