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**SKYWEST, INC. REPORTS COMBINED DECEMBER TRAFFIC
FOR SKYWEST AIRLINES AND ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES**

ST. GEORGE, UT, PRNewswire/ -- SkyWest, Inc. (NASDAQ: SKYW) reported a 9.1 percent decrease in available seat miles (ASMs) for December, while revenue passenger miles (RPMs) decreased by 3.3 percent compared to the same period last year. The combined airlines generated 1.7 billion ASMs and 1.3 billion RPMs for the month. Load factor was up 4.6 percentage points to 78.2% compared to 73.6% for the same period last year. Passenger boardings for December totaled 2,634,566 a 1.9 percent decrease over December 2007.

SkyWest Airlines, based in St. George, Utah, and Atlantic Southeast Airlines (“ASA”), based in Atlanta, Georgia, are wholly owned subsidiaries of SkyWest, Inc. SkyWest Airlines operates as United Express, Delta Connection and Midwest Connect carriers under contractual agreements with United Airlines, Delta Air Lines and Midwest Airlines. ASA operates as a Delta Connection carrier under a contractual agreement with Delta Air Lines. System-wide, SkyWest, Inc. serves a total of approximately 218 cities in the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean, with nearly 2,300 daily departures. This press release and additional information regarding SkyWest, Inc. can be accessed at www.skywest.com.

**FLIGHT STATISTICS
SkyWest, Inc. December Traffic**

	2008	2007	% Change
Passengers	2,634,566	2,686,926	(1.9)
Revenue Passenger Miles	1,347,791,781	1,393,819,382	(3.3)
Available Seat Miles	1,722,814,938	1,894,747,288	(9.1)
Load Factor	78.2%	73.6%	4.6 pts
Block Hours	111,109	121,962	(8.9)
Departures	67,973	74,293	(8.5)

Calendar Year-To-Date

	2008	2007	% Change
Passengers	33,461,819	34,392,755	(2.7)
Revenue Passenger Miles	17,101,909,734	17,892,282,422	(4.4)
Available Seat Miles	22,020,250,026	22,968,767,932	(4.1)
Load Factor	77.7%	77.9%	(0.2) pts
Block Hours	1,376,815	1,438,816	(4.3)
Departures	872,288	904,795	(3.6)