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Traffic Statistics – September 2009

Dublin & London, 7 October 2009: Aer Lingus Group plc (“Aer Lingus”), today announced traffic statistics for the month of September 2009.

Aer Lingus’ total passenger numbers in September 2009 were 960,000 an increase of 4.1% compared to September 2008. Short haul passengers were 874,000, a 7.4% increase on September 2008 and long haul passengers were 86,000, a 20.4% decrease on September 2008.

Aer Lingus’ overall load factor in the month was 77.5%, an increase of 2.5 points compared to September 2008, with capacity decreasing by 7.6%. Short haul load factor was 80.8%, an increase of 1.0 point on 2008, with capacity increasing by 7.7%. Long haul load factor was 71.6%, an increase of 2.7 points on 2008, with capacity decreasing by 26.9%.

Detailed traffic statistics are set out on the following page.

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Aer Lingus Scheduled Traffic Statistics

	September			Year-to-date		
	2009	2008	Change %	2009	2008	Change %
Passengers (thousands)¹						
Short haul	874	814	7.4	7,455	7,100	5.0
Long haul	86	108	(20.4)	841	976	(13.8)
Total	960	922	4.1	8,296	8,076	2.7
Revenue passenger kilometres (RPKs) (millions)¹						
Short haul	971	891	9.0	8,013	7,409	8.2
Long haul	466	613	(24.0)	4,583	5,563	(17.6)
Total	1,437	1,504	(4.5)	12,596	12,972	(2.9)
Available seat kilometres (ASKs) (millions)						
Short haul	1,202	1,116	7.7	10,090	9,474	6.5
Long haul	651	890	(26.9)	6,363	7,766	(18.1)
Total	1,853	2,006	(7.6)	16,453	17,240	(4.6)
Passenger load factor (%)²			% Points			% Points
Short haul	80.8	79.8	1.0	79.4	78.2	1.2
Long haul	71.6	68.9	2.7	72.0	71.6	0.4
Total	77.5	75.0	2.5	76.6	75.2	1.4

Detailed traffic statistics may be subject to change.

Notes

- 1 Earned seats and earned revenue passenger kilometres include seats and passenger kilometres respectively that are sold regardless of whether the passenger shows for a flight, as once a flight has departed the passenger is generally not entitled to change flights or obtain a refund.
- 2 Earned revenue passenger kilometres as a percentage of available seat kilometres

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