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Traffic Statistics – May, 2008

Scheduled passengers increased by 10.4% on May 2007

Dublin & London, 6 June 2008: Aer Lingus Group plc ("Aer Lingus"), today announced traffic statistics for the month of May 2008.

Aer Lingus' total passenger numbers grew by 10.4% in May 2008 compared to May 2007. This comprises of a 9.9% increase in passenger numbers on short haul and a 14.0% increase on long haul.

The May load factor on short haul fell slightly to 80.2% from 81.4% in 2007, however this was a strong performance in the context of a 19.6% increase in capacity on May 2007.

Long haul load factor was down to 71.2% from 79.0% in 2007, with capacity for the month increasing by 32.9% over May 2007, reflecting the introduction of two new long haul aircraft and the commencement of three new routes under Open Skies.

Detailed traffic statistics are set out on the following page.

About Aer Lingus Group plc

Aer Lingus is an Irish low-cost, low-fares airline, providing both long-haul and short-haul passenger transportation services. Aer Lingus' low-cost, low-fares model is centred on maintaining low unit cost, offering one-way fares, maintaining effective fleet utilisation and developing the Aer Lingus brand. Consistent with this low-cost model, Aer Lingus' primary distribution channel is its website aerlingus.com.

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		Мау			Year -To -Date		
	2008	2007	Change %	2008	2007	Change %	
* Passengers (thousands)							
Short-haul	832	757	9.9	3,667	3,303	11.0	
Long-haul	114	100	14.0	486	440	10.5	
Total	946	857	10.4	4,153	3,743	11.0	
* Revenue Passenger							
Kilometres (RPKs) (millions)							
Short-haul	881	747	17.9	3,695	3,151	17.3	
_ong-haul	649	542	19.7	2,763	2,393	15.5	
Total	1,530	1,289	18.7	6,458	5,544	16.5	
Available Seat Kilometres							
(ASKs) (millions)							
Short-haul	1,098	918	19.6	4,962	4,138	19.9	
_ong-haul	912	686	32.9	4,149	3,054	35.9	
Total	2,010	1,604	25.3	9,111	7,192	26.7	
** Passenger load factor (%)			% Points			% Points	
Short-haul	80.2	81.4	(1.1)	74.5	76.1	(1.7)	
_ong-haul	71.2	79.0	(7.8)	66.6	78.4	(11.8)	
Fotal	76.1	80.4	(4.2)	70.9	77.1	(6.2)	

Notes

^{*} Earned seats and earned revenue passenger kilometres includes seats and passenger kilometres that are sold regardless of whether the passenger shows for a flight, as once a flight has departed the customer is generally not entitled to change flights or obtain a refund. Prior year numbers have been restated to reflect this methodology.

 $^{^{\}star\star}$ Earned revenue passenger kilometres as a percentage of available seat kilometres.