

News Release

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EXPRESSJET COMMENDS CREW OF FLIGHT 3161 AFTER SAFE LANDING AT IAH

Continental Express flight 3161, operated by ExpressJet Airlines, Inc., landed safely at George Bush Intercontinental Airport at 6:20 p.m. CDT today after experiencing a tire malfunction.

“I want to commend the crew of flight 3161 for handling this difficult situation with the utmost in professionalism and ensuring the passengers safety,” said ExpressJet President and CEO Jim Ream.

“Our partners at ExpressJet displayed grace under pressure in ensuring the safety of our passengers,” said Larry Kellner, Continental’s chairman and chief executive officer. “I want to extend my thanks to the crew of the flight, as well as to my co-workers at the airport who are working to accommodate the flight’s passengers.”

Continental transported the flight’s 45 customers to the terminal, where they will be reaccommodated on later flights.

The Embraer-145XR originally departed Houston for Minneapolis/St. Paul at approximately 4 p.m. CDT.

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