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NextGen Conference to Bring Aviation Industry Together

Louisville, KY and Alexandria, VA (July 29, 2008) AAAE (American Association of Airport Executives) and Louisville International Airport will unveil the NextGen Airport Conference and Expo on Tuesday, August 5. The conference will be held at Louisville's Hyatt Regency Hotel and conclude on Thursday, August 7, at 12:30 p.m. (For more information, visit www.NextGenAirportConference.com)

This inaugural conference will focus on 21st century technologies, including the Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen) and Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast (ADS-B), which the FAA and others are in the process of implementing.

It also will bring together other facets of airport technology and feature new solutions for airside, terminal and landside operations; FOD detection; and parking. The unique format includes panel discussions, technological demonstrations and interactive exhibits.

Peggy Gervasi, Policy Director of the Joint Planning and Development Office (JPDO); the Honorable Kathryn Higgins, Member, National Transportation Safety Board; and Michael Romanowski, Director of FAA's NextGen Implementation and Integration, will be the keynote speakers during the opening session.

Attendees also will have a valuable opportunity to hear from leaders in NextGen and ADS-B such as Jim Linney Surveillance & Broadcast Services, Central Service Area, Project Manager, Federal Aviation Administration; John Kefaliotis ADS-B Program Director, ITT Corporation; and Dr. Bruce Holmes, Chief Strategist DayJet Corporation.

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Background and Contact Information

American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) – Founded in 1928, AAAE (www.aaae.org) is the world’s largest professional organization representing the men and women who work at public-use commercial and general aviation airports. AAAE’s 5,000-plus members represent some 850 airports and hundreds of companies and organizations that support the airport industry. Headquartered in Alexandria, Va., AAAE serves its membership through results-oriented representation in Washington, D.C. and offers a wide range of industry services and professional development opportunities including training, conferences, and a highly respected accreditation program.

Louisville International Airport ranks third in North America—and ninth in the world—in the total amount of cargo handled as home of UPS’s international air-sorting hub. In addition, the airport is a low-fare airport that draws travelers within a 200-mile radius of the city. The airport currently has nonstop service to 26 destinations and convenient connections to cities worldwide. The airport accommodated more than 3.8 million passengers in 2007.

For conference registration, sponsorship, exhibitor and program information, please visit the AAAE website at www.NextGenAirportConference.com.

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