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December Passenger Numbers Strong at Detroit Metro *--Airport finishes 2002 nearly tied with 2001*

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) finished 2002 with a strong December but still ended the year behind 2001 by one half of one percent in total passenger traffic.

Preliminary statistics indicate that the number of total passengers traveling through DTW in December jumped 20% bringing the total for the year to 32,477,694. This number is 9% below DTW's record-breaking year of 2000, when 35,535,080 passengers used the airport.

Operations (landings and take-offs) increased 3.1% in December and finished the year down 6%. A total of 490,885 aircraft took off or landed on DTW's six runways for an average of 1,345 aircraft arrivals and departures per day.

Please see attached sheet for more details. These are preliminary figures and are subject to change.

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DTW
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December, 2002 Statistics:

Total Passengers thru December		32,477,694
vs.	decrease	0.5%
	December, 2001	32,631,463
Total Int'l Passengers thru December		2,689,317
vs.	decrease	17.5%
	December, 2001	3,258,439
Total Passengers handled month of December		2,773,644
vs.	increase	20%
	December, 2001	2,310,951
Operations thru December		490,885
vs.	decrease	6%
	December, 2001	522,132
Operations handled month of December		39,573
vs.	increase	3.1%
	December, 2001	38,392