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REAL-TIME FLIGHT INFORMATION DELIVERED TO TRAVELER'S MOBILE DEVICES

New service sends O'Hare and Midway airport data direct and free-of-charge

CHICAGO - The Chicago Department of Aviation today launched a new service aimed at providing real-time flight information to travelers at O'Hare and Midway International Airports via e-mail capable devices such as cell phones, Blackberrys and laptop computers.

"Most travelers passing through O'Hare and Midway are on-the-go for a large part of the day and may not have access to a computer or be able to call their airline to check on flight status," said Aviation Commissioner Nuria I. Fernandez. "This new service will be valuable to travelers who may be in a business meeting or having lunch with friends by sending real-time data directly to their cell phones."

O'Hare travelers should compose an e-mail to arrivals@ohare.com or departures@ohare.com, leaving the subject line blank. Midway travelers can use arrivals@midwayairport.org and departures@midwayairport.org.

The first line of the body of the message should contain one or more of the following search criteria:

1. The flight number.
2. The time that the flight is originally scheduled to arrive or depart (the a.m./p.m. designation is optional, but suggested).
3. The name of the airline or the airline's two-letter code (United Airlines = UA, American Airlines = AA).
4. The originating or destination airport; either the name of the city or the three-letter airport code (O'Hare = ORD, or Los Angeles = LAX).

Once the message is sent, a response will be received within minutes that lists the top nine flights that best matched the search criteria. All results indicate either on-time status or updated, real-time arrival or departure information. Please note that this service is valid for flights scheduled within four hours from the time the original e-mail is sent.

For more information about this new service, including shortcuts and additional search tips, please visit www.flychicago.com.

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The Chicago Airport System is self-supporting, using no local or state tax dollars for operations or capital improvements at O'Hare and Midway International airports. Together, Chicago's airports generate more than \$45 billion in annual economic activity and create 540,000 jobs for the region. Please visit www.flychicago.com to learn more about the Chicago Airport System.

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