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ViaAir Extends Flight Service to/from St. Augustine, Florida through 2015 with Additional Select Dates for Budweiser Speedweeks and Daytona 500

Maitland, Florida – (January 23, 2015) ViaAir will be extending its flight service to/from Northeast Florida Regional Airport (St. Augustine, FL – UST) beginning February 13th.

After the success of a seasonal trial, scheduled service from St. Augustine to the Charlotte Douglas International Airport (Charlotte, NC – CLT), with continuing service to Raleigh County Memorial Airport (Beckley, WV – BKW), will be offered through the end of 2015, with additional service offered on select days for Budweiser Speedweeks and the Daytona 500. Twice weekly departures, which will operate on Thursdays and Sundays, will begin on the 26th. With an industry reliability rate of 99% dispatch, ViaAir promises passengers an impressive level of care, attention, and dependability.

Irit Vizer, President and COO of ViaAir said, “Thanks to the support from the Northeast Florida Regional Airport in St. Augustine as well as the local communities and the many positive comments from passengers, we are pleased we are able to continue our relationship with the St. Augustine community. The trial was a success in the community and many of our passengers shared with us how much they enjoyed the route. We are happy to continue our relationship with the St. Augustine community.”

“ViaAir is excited to offer even more low-cost travel options to St. Augustine, Charlotte, Beckley, and their surrounding communities,” said Vizer. “Our decision to offer increased service during Budweiser Speedweeks and the Daytona 500 was so we would be able to provide those travelling to the area an affordable option being that Daytona is a little over an hour’s drive from St. Augustine. We pride ourselves at being more than just air transportation; as such we always go above and beyond for our passengers, as proven by our excellent client satisfaction rate.”

Ed Wuellner, Executive Director of the Airport Authority said, “ViaAir has proven to be an exceptionally reliable airline, and we are pleased to see continued service from St. Augustine nonstop to Charlotte,

with continuing service to Beckley. The community enjoys their service, and we are happy to see a more affordable and more comfortable option for local travelers.”

The increased service during Budweiser Speedweeks and the Daytona 500 will include the following dates, after which regular 2015 Thursday/Sunday service will continue:

February 13, 15, 16, 18, and 20-23

Fares to St. Augustine from Charlotte, NC will start at \$139 one way and \$160 one way from Beckley, WV (inclusive of fees and taxes). Reservations for all flights can be made at FlyViaAir.com or by calling ViaAir’s 24 hour service/reservation desk at 800-565-5042.

ViaAir service is operated by 30-seat Embraer EMB-120 aircraft, the fastest, lightest, and most economical aircraft in its class. The EMB-120 is safe, reliable, quick, and provides passengers with ample leg room, as well as a sizable baggage compartment.

In addition to saving money at Northeast Florida Regional Airport (UST) customers will also save time. Conveniently located, the airport allows customers to enjoy a hassle-free, relaxed airport experience complete with inexpensive parking options. From the airport, it is a little over an hour drive south to Daytona.

About ViaAir:

ViaAir LLC is an indirect Air Carrier operating under DOT regulation 14 CFR 380 together with its subsidiary, Via Airlines, as the Direct Air Carrier on 30 Pax EMB-120 (“ViaAir”). Via Airlines, as the Direct Air Carrier, has been providing air transportation service for over 15 years operating 30 passenger EMB-120. ViaAir is known to have an excellent dispatch rate of over 98%, excellent safety record, and client – oriented service and support. Via Airlines was founded in 1997 and has grown to become a prominent Air Carrier operating 30 passenger planes while maintaining an excellent safety record and dispatch rates. The company has earned an ARG/US Gold rating and continuously strives for and maintains best-in-class safety, quality, and customer satisfaction. Operator Participant Agreement can be found on www.flyviaair.com.

About the Airport Authority:

The members of the St. Augustine – St. Johns County Airport Authority are elected by the citizens of St. Johns County and server without remuneration. The Airport Authority is chartered by the Florida Legislature for the purpose of operating and developing the Northeast Florida Regional Airport on behalf of the citizens of St. Johns County. Learn more at www.flynf.com

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