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JULY 2009 PASSENGER TRAFFIC REMAINS DOWN

CLEVELAND, August 26, 2009— Passenger traffic at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE) for July 2009, continues to follow the national trend for reduced passenger traffic, totaled 959,525, down 12.35% or 135,246 passengers, compared to July 2008. The number of passengers traveling through the airport in July averaged 30,952 daily.

“Although passenger traffic remained down for the month of July 2009, traffic was 6.08% better than passenger traffic in the previous month of June,” said Airport Director Ricky Smith. “We have continued to see this month over month trend of increased passenger traffic over the warm weather months. While we will not see traffic increase by year’s end, we are pleased with the monthly increases no matter how slight.”

Year-to-date passenger traffic (January -- July 2009) totaled 5,679,029, down 16.46% or 1,119,039 passengers.