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**DFW INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CELEBRATES
ANOTHER SAFETY MILESTONE: AN INCURSION FREE
YEAR**

DFW INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, Texas (August 16, 2002) – Today DFW Airport completed one year with zero runway incursions thanks to new safety programs implemented by the Airport and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

“We’ve reached another important safety milestone at DFW – one that’s been made possible by the dedication and cooperation of our airlines, pilots, mechanics, the FAA and Airport employees,” said Jim Crites, executive vice president of operations at DFW. “These women and men made a determined effort to make DFW one of the safest airports in the world.”

Runway incursions are logged when a person, vehicle or another plane crosses a plane’s path when it is taking off or landing. Between August 16, 2001 and today, DFW successfully conducted nearly 750,000 airport operations flawlessly.

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Runway Incursion/Incident Review meetings held with all parties immediately after an incursion provided valuable insight and led to changes. DFW partnered with the FAA Air Traffic Control Tower to develop a DFW Runway Incursion Hot Spot Map and published the map on the Internet, allowing the airlines and pilots to use it as educational material. Quarterly Runway Safety Action Team Meetings conducted with airlines and FAA partners provided a forum to further improve processes and procedures. A special training program was created for airline mechanics to improve their understanding of safe aircraft taxi procedures. The addition of taxiway edge reflectors further improved visibility for aircraft operations and a new project to install a runway guard light system will further enhance operations during poor visibility conditions.

“The elimination of runway incursions has been successful through a collaborative program of education, training and diligence of the entire Airport community,” added Crites. “The value added from these programs is clear and we'll continue to seek methods that make improvements to safety wherever we can.”

DFW Airport was recognized in March of 2002 by the FAA Southwest Region Office for safety achievements over the past year receiving the FAA Southwest Region Airport Safety Award for 2001.

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Located halfway between the cities of Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas, DFW International Airport is the world's third busiest, offering nearly 2,000 flights per day and serving 55 million passengers a year. DFW International Airport provides non-stop service to 130 domestic and 30 international destinations worldwide. For the latest news, real-time flight information, parking availability or further details regarding the many services provided at DFW International Airport, log on to www.dfwairport.com.

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