

# MidAmerica St. Louis Airport welcomes 100,000th passenger for 2018

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MASCOUTAH – MidAmerica St. Louis Airport recently welcomed Timothy Lay and family of Belleville, Ill., as the 100,000<sup>th</sup> passenger to enplane at the airport this calendar year. The Lay family were travelling to Destin, Fla., on the regions' only non-stop service to that destination, a perennial vacation spot for a significant portion of the region's travelers. He and his family joined a full Airbus 320 load of passengers for the trip on July 26th.

Lay was surprised but happy to receive an Eckert's Farm gift certificate from St. Clair County Board Chairman Mark A. Kern. "We're getting ready to have some fun! The airport's convenience and friendly folks are a great beginning," noted Lay.

"In 2018, we are trending to host 310,000 passengers through the terminal, up from 245,000 in 2017. Allegiant's flight values coupled with MidAmerica's convenience is a tremendous product for the region's travelers," noted St. Clair County Chairman Mark Kern. "MidAmerica is the State of Illinois' sixth largest passenger service airport, for now, and the trending 30% increase just this year may have us higher than that soon."

"We just reached the 100,000<sup>th</sup> passenger milestone three months sooner than we did in 2017," said Tim Cantwell, director of MidAmerica Airport. "Our growth is continuing, and we look forward to more frequencies and more non-stop destinations in the future."