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LYLE HOGG APPOINTED AS THE NEW PRESIDENT OF PIEDMONT AIRLINES

SALISBURY, Maryland – Piedmont Airlines today announced that Lyle Hogg, previously vice president – flight operations for US Airways, will serve as president of the airline. In this position, Hogg will report to Piedmont chief executive officer Steve Farrow, who previously held both the CEO and president titles. Farrow plans to retire from Piedmont in early 2016, and today's announcement is part of Farrow's leadership succession plan for the regional carrier.

“This is truly the most exciting time in Piedmont’s history as we prepare to induct a new fleet type, the Embraer 145 (E145),” said Farrow. “We welcome Lyle to the Piedmont family, and we look forward to his contributions across our airline as we prepare for this next chapter in Piedmont’s long and rich aviation history.”

Kenji Hashimoto, American’s senior vice president – regional carriers for American Airlines, said, “Steve has been a valued leader and a regional airline expert for many decades, and we are privileged to have his leadership at Piedmont. His breadth of knowledge, now combined with Lyle’s air operations experience, will provide a seamless leadership transition during this time of growth at Piedmont and will strengthen Piedmont’s role as a vital provider of regional feed for the world’s largest airline.”

In late 2014, American Airlines announced Piedmont will receive a minimum of 20 of its E145 regional jets beginning in 2016. Farrow will lead Piedmont’s day-to-day operations until his retirement in 2016, while Hogg will focus on preparing Piedmont for the induction of the 50-seat jets into its fleet, including working with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to certify this new aircraft type at Piedmont and leading pilot recruitment for the airline.

Hogg began his career in aviation as regional airline pilot in 1981 flying the deHavilland Twin Otter (Dash-6), a predecessor of the Dash-8 that Piedmont operates today. He was hired as a pilot by US Airways in 1984 and rose through the pilot management ranks, culminating with his most recent position as the vice president of flight operations. Hogg has played integral roles in the merger of US Airways and American and achieving American’s single operating certificate. He also has extensive experience working with

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outside constituents such as the FAA, National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) and aircraft manufacturers, among others.

Farrow joined Piedmont in 1985 as vice president of flight operations, after serving 21 years as an officer in the U.S. Navy. In 2005, Farrow became president and CEO of the Salisbury, Maryland-based carrier.

About Piedmont Airlines
Piedmont Airlines, Inc. is a wholly owned regional carrier of American Airlines Group (NASDAQ: AAL). Founded in 1931 as Henson Flying Service, the carrier began scheduled airline service in 1962, as Hagerstown Commuter. Today, Piedmont operates nearly 300 daily departures to 55 cities throughout the eastern United States. The company currently flies a fleet of 38 deHavilland Dash DHC-8 turbo prop aircraft.

Headquartered in Salisbury, Maryland, Piedmont Airlines employs nearly 6,000 aviation professionals in its flying and ground handling operations.

About American Airlines Group
American Airlines Group is the holding company for American Airlines and US Airways and three regional carriers including Piedmont Airlines, Inc. Together with regional partners, operating as American Eagle and US Airways Express, the airlines operate an average of nearly 6,700 flights per day to nearly 350 destinations in more than 50 countries. American is a founding member of the **one**world alliance, whose members and members-elect serve nearly 1,000 destinations with 14,250 daily flights to 150 countries. This year American topped Fortune Magazine's list of best business turnarounds and its stock joined the S&P 500 index. Connect with American on Twitter @AmericanAir and at Facebook.com/AmericanAirlines.

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