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American Airlines and Google sign record-breaking sustainable aviation fuel agreement

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FORT WORTH, Texas — American Airlines and Google today announced a record-breaking agreement for sustainable aviation fuel certificates (SAFc), representing the largest publicly announced SAFc agreement between an airline and a single corporate customer to date. The new agreement will unlock 35 million gallons (132 million liters) of SAF over three years, resulting in nearly 300,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (CO₂e) emissions reductions.

Under the agreement, American will purchase and take delivery of physical fuel for Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD) through existing infrastructure, the SAF portion of which will be produced from waste feedstocks like used cooking oil. Google will receive the environmental benefits to help address its emissions from employee business travel via the SAFc Registry, which enables transparent and traceable book-and-claim SAFc. The long-term nature of this agreement enabled American to secure a new long-term SAF offtake with Valero Marketing and Supply Company and reinforces American's longstanding commitment to SAF.

"Our industry-leading agreement with Google is a critical step forward in reducing emissions from our operations," said American's Chief Sustainability Officer Jill Blickstein. "By working with leaders like Google who share our commitment to innovation, we're helping to grow demand for SAF and support the development of a stronger, more resilient market."

This agreement was made possible by Illinois Governor JB Pritzker and the Illinois General Assembly enacting a SAF tax credit. Thanks to collaboration between industry and lawmakers, American will be able to bring significant volumes of SAF to ORD.



"This strategic collaboration with American Airlines demonstrates how companies can work together to scale critical sustainability technologies," said Google's Chief Sustainability Officer Kate Brandt. "By entering into this long-term commitment, we are sending a vital demand signal to catalyze investment and bring more SAF to market."

SAF can reduce emissions by up to 80% compared to traditional jet fuel and is a promising solution for decarbonizing the hard-to-abate aviation sector. SAF is a liquid fuel currently used in commercial aviation that is produced from feedstocks, including waste oil and fats. It can also be produced synthetically using captured carbon dioxide and renewable electricity.

"Illinois is proud to be at the forefront of the clean energy industry. This agreement demonstrates how our nation-leading SAF tax credit can bring industry leaders together as we work toward a more sustainable future," said Illinois Governor JB Pritzker. "Through partnerships with innovators like American Airlines and Google, we're strengthening Illinois' role as a global aviation hub and accelerating the transition to cleaner energy."

The global aviation industry, which generates more than \$4 trillion in economic activity per year and supports 86.5 million jobs, currently accounts for approximately 2-3% of global carbon dioxide emissions. SAF is a critical lever for aviation decarbonization, with the potential to significantly reduce life cycle greenhouse gas emissions as a drop-in fuel compared to conventional petroleum-based jet fuel. However, the SAF industry has not yet attracted the investment required to scale production at competitive prices in line with market needs. American and its oneworld alliance partners are focused on **supporting new technologies** that can scale the availability of cost-competitive SAF, while minimizing other environmental impacts. American also continues to invest in modern aircraft, engines and operational efficiencies.

In addition to SAF initiatives, American partnered with Google, Contrails.org, and Flightkeys to conduct a 2025 16-week trial that integrated contrail avoidance into the airline's flight planning processes. The trial resulted in a statistically significant 62% reduction in contrail formation and a substantial reduction in related warming.

About American Airlines Group (NASDAQ: AAL)

American Airlines is a premium global airline connecting more of the U.S. to the world. With roots tracing back to an air mail carrier in the Midwestern United States in 1926, American now operates more than 6,000 daily flights to more than 350 destinations in more than 60 countries and serves more than 200 million customers annually. Powered by a proud and talented team of 130,000 aviation professionals, American's team lives out the airline's purpose of caring for people on life's journey every day.

The world's largest airline proudly celebrates its centennial year in 2026, reaching a milestone that reflects a century of innovation and the Forever ForwardSM spirit that changed the industry and the world. American

introduced the first scheduled air cargo service, the first airport lounge and the first airline loyalty program and continues to reinvent the customer experience today. The airline is also a founding member of the oneworld alliance, whose members serve more than 900 destinations around the globe.

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