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CommutAir/Continental Connection concludes transaction for larger aircraft

Plattsburgh, N.Y. September 12, 2006 - Champlain Enterprises, Inc., dba CommutAir/“Continental Connection” announced today that it has signed a lease agreement with Horizon Airlines of Seattle, Washington for sixteen Bombardier Q-200 series aircraft, including maintenance and training support as well as spare parts. The aircraft will be delivered beginning in January 2007 and will be placed into service for Continental Airlines (NYSE:CAL) at its Cleveland hub.

The Q-200 is a modern 37-passenger turboprop manufactured in Ontario, Canada. It is powered by an advanced series of Pratt & Whitney engines designed to produce significant fuel savings over similar-sized jet aircraft. In addition to its fuel efficiency, the Q-200 employs a revolutionary noise and vibration suppression system which dampens cabin noise for enhanced passenger comfort. The aircraft features a spacious cabin with overhead bins, lavatory and in-flight service.

The new aircraft will enable CommutAir to significantly broaden its current scheduled passenger airline service under the name “Continental Connection” pursuant to its agreement with Continental Airlines.