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Punta Gorda Airport passenger traffic rebounding

PUNTA GORDA, Fla. (Nov. 17, 2017) – The Charlotte County Airport Authority announced the total passenger count for the twelve months ending Oct. 31, 2017 is 1,347,741. The Punta Gorda Airport passenger count for October 2017 was 114,113. This is a 28.10 percent increase in passenger traffic for October 2017 compared with October 2016, when there were 89,084 passengers.

In October, there were 55,034 departing passengers and 59,079 arriving passengers, which was an increase over September, when there was a decrease of 19.29 percent due to Hurricane Irma. Before the hurricane, the Punta Gorda Airport increased in passenger traffic for 47 consecutive months. A total of 406 Allegiant Air flights landed at the Punta Gorda Airport in October 2017.

“Even with the hurricane impact, our calendar year passenger increase is 15.39 percent over 2016. Double-digit growth in airline passengers is uncommon across U.S. airports,” said Charlotte County Airport Authority Commissioner Robert Hancik.

About Punta Gorda Airport

The Charlotte County Airport Authority, governed by five elected commissioners, owns and operates the Punta Gorda Airport, located at 28000 Airport Road, five minutes east of I-75, Exit 161. The Airport Authority is a nontaxing entity and operates as an enterprise fund, totally supported by revenue generated from its operations, including rental car concession, parking, fuel sales and hangar, building and land leases. In 2016, the Airport Authority was awarded Florida Department of Transportation’s Outstanding Commercial Service Airport of the Year Award in recognition of Punta Gorda Airport’s superior achievement. Punta Gorda Airport provides quick and easy access to Fort Myers, Cape Coral, Sarasota, Naples, Punta Gorda, Englewood and all of Southwest Florida. For more information, visit www.flypgd.com.

About Allegiant Air

Allegiant Air has nonstop service to 38 cities, including Allentown, PA; Asheville, NC; Belleville, IL; Cedar Rapids, IA; Cleveland, OH; Cincinnati, OH; Columbus, OH; Concord/Charlotte, NC; Dayton, OH; Des Moines, IA; Flint, MI; Ft. Wayne, IN; Grand Rapids, MI; Greenville/Spartanburg, SC; Harrisburg, PA; Indianapolis, IN; Kansas City, MO; Knoxville, TN; Lexington, KY; Louisville, KY; Milwaukee, WI; Moline, IL; Newburgh, NY; Niagara Falls, NY; Omaha, NE; Peoria, IL; Pittsburgh, PA; Plattsburgh, NY; Portsmouth, NH; Providence, RI; Raleigh, N.C.; Rochester, NY; Rockford, IL; Saint Cloud, MN; South Bend, IN; Springfield, IL; Toledo, OH; and Trenton, NJ. Allegiant Air can be reached at www.allegiantair.com or call 702-505-8888. Please check their schedule as some of the cities are seasonal.

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