

New York Aviation Management Association Wraps up Successful Fall Conference in Niagara Falls

ALBANY, NY (09/21/2012)-- The New York Aviation Management Association wrapped up its 2012 Fall Conference and Exhibit Show on Friday at the Conference Center Niagara Falls, New York.

NYAMA's annual Fall Conference and Exhibit Show represents the Association's successful training and advocacy for New York's aviation industry. The conference is designed to provide airport managers, corporate representatives, public officials, aviation educators and students a forum for education, networking and a professional exchange of knowledge and innovation.

This year's conference included general and concurrent sessions that addressed diverse issues such as economic growth through airports, aviation's unique history in Niagara Falls, Airport Sustainability Plans, Contract Management and Privatization, Air Service Development, and Safety Management Systems Implementation. Special guest speakers included Commissioner Joan McDonald, New York State Department of Transportation; Greg Principato, President, Airports Council International-North America; Hugh M. Neeson, a Trustee and Executive Committee member of the Niagara Aerospace Museum; Senator George Maziarz, New York State Senate; Mayor Paul Dyster, City of Niagara Falls, and Carmine Gallo, Eastern Regional Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration.

Other conference presenters included: John Harden, Vice President and COO of AvPORTS; Joanne Landry of Landry Consultants; Carol Lurie, Senior Environmental Planner at Vanasse Hangen Brustlin; Barney Parrella, Executive Vice President of InterVISTAS Consulting, and Jeffrey Wood, Transportation Division Manager and Environmental Practice Leader at McFarland Johnson.

The Conference Concluded today with a farewell breakfast and tour of Niagara Falls International Airport for all attendees. Next year's Fall Conference and Exhibit Show will be hosted by Albany International Airport in Albany, NY, September 18-20.

NYAMA was founded in 1976 as the New York Airport Managers Association by representatives of New York State Airports. In 2000, the Association changed its name to the New York Aviation Management Association to reflect its growing sphere of influence and representation. Today, NYAMA represents the spectrum of aviation professionals from the owners of the smallest privately owned airstrips to the management of New York's largest facilities serving millions of scheduled air carrier passengers annually, as well as private manufacturers, suppliers, consultants, and educators who serve the aviation industry in New York State and across the Globe.