

## **BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport Welcomes WOW air**

### **June 2015 Brings New International Low-Fare Service to Iceland, With Connections Throughout Europe**

Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport today welcomed the announcement that WOW air will start nonstop service to Reykjavik, Iceland. WOW air will operate seasonal service between BWI Marshall Airport and Keflavik International Airport with four weekly roundtrip flights starting in early June 2015.

“We welcome WOW air, which will connect Maryland and the National Capital region with Iceland and markets across Europe,” said Maryland Governor Martin O’Malley. “Our investments continue to drive BWI Marshall’s growth and exceptional performance and spur new airline service, more tourism and more business for Maryland.”

WOW air is an Icelandic low-fare airline established in 2011. The airline has grown quickly, and currently offers international air service between Iceland and destinations across Europe. WOW air announced today its first service to the United States, with flights to BWI Marshall and Boston Logan International Airport.

“We are thrilled to add the culture and spectacular natural beauty of Iceland to our expanding list of international destinations,” said Paul J. Wiedefeld, Chief Executive Officer of BWI Marshall Airport. “There is a growing demand for low-fare international air service. We believe BWI Marshall is the perfect market for WOW air to offer this exciting, budget-friendly transatlantic service.”

For the service from BWI Marshall, WOW air will utilize Airbus A321 aircraft. The seasonal flights will operate four times per week, on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The first flight will operate on Thursday, June 4.

International passenger traffic has grown steadily in recent years at BWI Marshall. Construction work on the BWI Marshall D/E Connector program will begin in coming months. This multi-phase development will support additional international service. The D/E Connector program will: construct a new secure connector between Concourse D and Concourse E, create a new security checkpoint to serve domestic and international travelers and configure airline gates to support additional international flights.

The WOW air service to Iceland is the second new international route for BWI Marshall announced in recent weeks. Southwest Airlines plans to start service to San José, Costa Rica in March 2015.

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