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AIRPORT DIRECTOR RECRUITMENT PROCESS ANNOUNCED

(Spokane, WA) – The Spokane Airport Board released the job description and information regarding the recruitment process to fill the open Airport Director’s position. The Airport Director is responsible for overseeing the operations of Spokane International Airport, Felts Field Airport and the Airport Business Park.

The Airport Board will seek applications from October 1 through November 1, 2010 and are hopeful to have the position filled and approved by the first quarter of 2011. A brochure with background information regarding the Spokane community and the airport facilities as well as the position statement can be retrieved at either https://adkexecutivesearch.com/Click_Highlighted_Links_.html or www.spokaneairports.net/employment.htm.

Jeff Hamilton, Chair, Personnel Committee, Spokane Airport Board, stated, “The airports and related facilities are essential and strategic regional assets. Their operation and management is highly specialized in terms of funding, regulatory oversight, aircraft and airline procedures,

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maintenance, and security. Members of the Airport Board and the Search Committee strongly believe it is important to seek candidates from the nation's collective talent pool with relevant airport-industry experience. We intend to recruit a Director that has the necessary experience and understanding of the core business function, which is to maintain responsible, safe, and efficient operation of our Airports. To accomplish this, we have contracted with ADK Executive Search to assist us with this process. The ADK firm has over thirty years of specific airport industry experience, an understanding of the job requirements, and familiarity with the experience and educational requirements necessary for the position. We feel fortunate to have their expertise to guide us as we conduct the search."

During the September 22, 2010 meeting, the Airport Board unanimously approved the selection of ADK Executive Search to assist with the screening and evaluation of candidates. At their August 19, 2010 monthly meeting, the Spokane Airport Board, unanimously approved the appointment of a search committee to assist with the completion of the job description as well as the screening, evaluation, and interviewing of candidates for the Airport Director position.

The Airport Board is committed to an inclusive and deliberative recruitment process. The Search Committee is comprised of members of the Airport Board and community leaders:

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- Jeff Hamilton, Chair, Personnel Committee, Spokane Airport Board
- David Brukart, Chair, Finance Committee, Spokane Airport Board
- Skip Davis, Interim Airport Director, Spokane Airports
- Greg Bever, Publisher, Spokane Journal of Business and incoming Chair, Greater Spokane Incorporated – the Spokane region’s consolidated Chamber/EDC organization
- Scott Morris, President, CEO, and Chairman, Avista Corp. Mr. Morris has previously served as the Chair of both Greater Spokane Incorporated and the former Spokane Area Economic Development Council
- Lisa Rousseau, General Manager, United Airlines, Spokane International Airport. United Airlines has provided continuous service to the Spokane Region since 1929.

Ex officio members of the Search Committee include representatives from the Airports’ owners, Spokane County and the City of Spokane:

- The Honorable Todd Mielke, Spokane County Commissioner and member, Spokane Airport Board
- The Honorable Joe Shogan, President, Spokane City Council and member, Spokane Airport Board

The Airport Board assigned interim director responsibilities to Ryland “Skip” Davis following its acceptance of previous Airport Director Neal Sealock’s resignation at the July 21, 2010 Board meeting. General Sealock left the position for family reasons and to pursue academic interests.

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