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## **MKE RECEIVES NINTH CONSECUTIVE PERFECT FAA INSPECTION**

**MILWAUKEE (August 26, 2016)** – The Federal Aviation Administration has presented Milwaukee County’s General Mitchell International Airport (MKE) with a perfect score on its annual certification inspection.

It is the ninth consecutive year MKE has received an inspection with zero discrepancies noted by inspectors.

“This achievement continues our tradition of ensuring the highest level of safety and efficiency for passengers who choose MKE for their travel,” County Executive Chris Abele said. “During their presentation to the Airport, FAA inspectors praised MKE for serving as a model airport in the Great Lakes Region. I commend Mitchell Airport’s Operations and Maintenance employees for their dedication and hard work, which have contributed to the Airport’s nine consecutive perfect inspections.”

The FAA inspection, which is required annually by Part 139 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, includes a close look at pavement, marking, lighting and safety areas along all runways and taxiways. It also reviews the Airport’s self-inspections, training of personnel, and aircraft fueling operations. The Airport Certification Manual, which includes the Airport’s operational, security and emergency plans, is also reviewed by inspectors.

“We are proud to continue our legacy of having the highest safety and security standards here at MKE,” Airport Director Izzy Bonilla said. “We continually work with our partners to make MKE the best among its peer airports in the nation.”

*Mitchell Airport offers nonstop flights to 37 destinations coast-to-coast, and 160 international destinations are available from Milwaukee with just one connection. MKE is also served by Air Canada, Alaska, American, Delta, Frontier, OneJet, Southwest and United. The complete list of nonstop cities can be found at [www.mitchellairport.com](http://www.mitchellairport.com).*

*General Mitchell International Airport is owned by Milwaukee County and operated by the Department of Transportation, Airport Division, under the policy direction of the Milwaukee County Executive and the County Board of Supervisors. The airport is entirely funded by user fees; no property tax dollars are used for the airport’s capital improvements or for its day-to-day operation.*

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