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NEWS RELEASE

Tampa International Airport Adds Self Select Security Lanes

TAMPA, FL (November 4, 2008) – the Transportation Security Administration and Tampa International Airport have teamed up to launch the time-saving Self Select security lanes for fliers. The lanes — Expert, Casual and Family/Medical Liquids — direct passengers based on their needs and knowledge.

"Currently, Tampa's check point (peak hour) screening wait times are among the shortest when compared to the other Large Hub Airports in the United States, stated Louis E. Miller, Executive Director, Tampa International Airport. "Today, we have 27 screening lanes in four separate locations. This is compared to the 11 lanes that existed in four separate locations prior to September 11, 2001. The Self Select Lanes will provide all users of the Tampa International Airport the opportunity to select the lane that works the best for them."

For example, the "Expert Traveler Lane" is used by the experienced travelers who are 1) always ready with all items removed from pockets and carry on bags; 2) travels light; 3) understands the screening procedures; and, 4) travels often.

The "Casual Traveler Lane" is used by individuals that are somewhat familiar with TSA procedures and have multiple carry-on items. The "Family/Medical Liquids Lane" will be used by 1) small children with strollers; 2) groups of people; 3) those needing assistance; 4) new to flying; and, 5) traveling with more than three ounces of medically necessary liquid or baby formula. This program has been implemented at numerous airports in the United States and has been well received by the passengers.

The Self Select signage is similar to those on a ski slope: black diamonds for expert, or frequent business fliers; blue squares for casual travelers who may have carry ons but who have a basic understanding of security rules; and green circles for passengers with young children or who have special needs.

Go to www.tampaairport.com to view new Self Select Program signage and graphics.

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