

News Releases

WestJet applauds fee cuts at Abbotsford Airport

Celebrates new WestJet Encore flight between Edmonton and B.C.

CALGARY, Nov. 10, 2014 /CNW/ - WestJet today applauded the leadership of the Abbotsford International Airport for dropping its airport improvement fee (AIF) by fifty per cent, and eliminating fees for aircraft parking, bridge fees and bag-handling. A reduction in fees is welcome as WestJet Encore adds one daily flight between Edmonton and Abbotsford beginning June 15, 2015, increasing overall service to three daily flights.

"The leadership demonstrated by Abbotsford International Airport sets a standard we hope others will follow," said Gregg Saretsky, WestJet President and CEO. "When airports and airlines are strategically aligned, that partnership benefits everyone involved. Airports that help us keep operational costs low also allow us to keep fares competitive and stimulate network and fleet growth. Our business is built upon growing markets or creating new ones with low fares and a great guest experience. Airports like Abbotsford recognize they will grow if we grow, and its actions today demonstrate a willingness to walk the walk."

Details of WestJet Encore's new daily Edmonton-Abbotsford service are as follows:

Flight	Departure	Arrival	Type
WS 3124	Abbotsford at 6:20 a.m.	Edmonton at 9:02 a.m.	Non-stop
WS 3125	Edmonton at 10:00 p.m.	Abbotsford at 10:56 p.m.	Non-stop

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