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## **Air Routing International Celebrates 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

### **Global Network Relationships, Expertise and Flight Manager Outline Houston Based Corporate Flight Handling Provider's Success.**

HOUSTON, June 3, 2008 –Air Routing International was founded by Rudy Fabre, Tom Balousek, and Richard Wilkens, in 1978. The founders developed a network of agents in markets throughout the world, with a base concept that has since evolved into the aviation industry's first international trip support services organization.

ARI guides corporate flight planners and pilots through the challenges of domestic and international air travel, providing services that range from international permits and route planning to weather reports and refueling.

Air Routing's philosophy, dating back to the early 1980s, is to develop and maintain long-term business relationships around the world and equally provide a level of service and technology innovations to operators that is unparalleled in the aviation industry

The company's technical platform, Flight Manager, the cornerstone of ARI's client interface, was introduced in 1998 and has become the premiere online aviation web application for corporate aviation. Flight Manager, in tandem with ARI's expert staff, is used by flight departments to obtain current flight details on their planned trip as well as display the locations of aircraft and routes of planned flights.

"The basic thrust of our business hasn't changed much in 30 years," said Tim Maystrik, Vice President of ARI. "The requirement of getting somebody from point A to point B is the same. The key changes are the utilization of technology, expertise and global agent relationships."

Today, ARI also handles auxiliary business trips, including onboard catering, ground transportation, ground transportation and hotel reservations for Fortune 500 companies, government operations as well as commercial aircraft that fly globally. Air Routing International and its associates, Wilkens Weather, Air Routing Fuel and Air Routing Card Services, maintain its corporate headquarters in Houston. The company has 220 employees.

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*Air Routing is a worldwide leader provider of international trip support and corporate flight handling.*

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