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Aeroplex to Provide Self-Service Fuel Service at Santa Monica Airport Beginning April 16

SANTA MONICA, Calif. -- The City of Santa Monica has signed a licensing agreement with Aeroplex/Aerolease Group for the management and operation of the self-service fuel business at Santa Monica Airport (SMO). This is the result of American Flyers' unexpected decision to leave SMO.

American Flyers' has been one of the fixed based operators (FBOs) at SMO for 11 years and notified the City that it will vacate the airport on April 15, 2017. There is no anticipated gap in service, as Aeroplex is scheduled to resume the fuel service on April 16.

"We were surprised by American Flyers' notice to vacate SMO, but Aeroplex will step in and provide similar service," said Mayor Ted Winterer. "Consistent with the recent Consent Decree, we remain committed to operating the airport in a safe manner that protects the health and welfare of Santa Monica and greater Los Angeles residents over the next eleven years."

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