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LaGuardia Airport Terminal B Redevelopment Receives First Envision Platinum Award for Commitment to Sustainable Practices and Resilience

NEW YORK, NY – The LaGuardia Airport Terminal B redevelopment project was awarded the Envision Platinum award, recognizing the project for its industry leading approach to sustainability and resilience. The award is the highest level of recognition within The Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure’s (ISI) awards program.

LaGuardia Gateway Partners (LGP), the private entity operating and redeveloping the entire Terminal B, brought on Skanska-Walsh as the design build joint venture. The Envision Platinum recognition was awarded to Skanska-Walsh Joint Venture, and this project is the first to receive this recognition from ISI under its newly updated Envision V3 framework. Projects are evaluated based on a robust set of criteria, including traditional factors, such as reducing emissions, recycling materials, and using renewable energy sources, as well as more holistic indicators of social and economic sustainability, such as minimizing construction impacts, providing employment opportunities for local residents, resilient design and improving mobility and access.

“We are honored to receive the Envision Platinum award for our work in redesigning Terminal B at LaGuardia Airport,” **said Stewart Steeves, CEO of LaGuardia Gateway Partners.** “Since day one, our priority has been building a terminal that offers a first-class guest experience and has a minimal environmental footprint. We’ve worked closely with Skanska-Walsh to create a design and construction approach that allows us to revamp Terminal B in a sustainable fashion, and this award demonstrates our overall commitment to this goal.”

LaGuardia Gateway Partners collaborated with Skanska-Walsh, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, Vantage Airport Group, HOK, WSP and local stakeholders to create a sustainable construction plan that is beneficial to the entire community.

“This recognition reflects the passion and commitment of the Port Authority, LaGuardia Gateway Partners and the entire team to deliver an instant landmark and an intelligent investment. As both a construction and long-term development partner, Skanska is proud of Envision’s verification that this project is bringing measurable, long-term benefit to those who frequent Terminal B – and to the planet at large,” **said Beth Heider, Skanska USA Chief Sustainability Officer.**

“As the first transportation agency to embrace the Paris Climate Agreement, the Port Authority is committed to best practices in reducing its carbon footprint at the brand new LaGuardia Airport as well as our other facilities. Sustainable design and construction are critically important in our work to improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gases,” **said Rick Cotton, Executive Director of the Port Authority.** “We are delighted with this recognition of the high bar the Port Authority has set for its

sustainability efforts.”

The LaGuardia Terminal B project – valued at \$5.1B (including \$4B in construction value) is the largest public-private partnership in US aviation history. The redevelopment includes a new 35-gate terminal, a Central Hall, a parking garage, related roadways and supporting infrastructure – all with innovative construction phasing, including building over-top of the current operation, to allow the terminal to remain fully functional while under construction. When complete, the Terminal B guest experience will be completely redefined. The new Terminal will offer best-in-class retail, food, beverage, and amenities that will more than double the current number of offerings. Dual pedestrian bridges will span active aircraft taxi lanes – a first in the world – and connect the main part of the terminal to two island concourses. Passengers will walk above aircraft as they make their way to their gate, all while enjoying views of the iconic Manhattan skyline. In addition, this island and bridge design will increase the taxi-way space for aircraft. Terminal B will truly celebrate the best of New York – and serve as a gateway we can all be proud of.

About LaGuardia Gateway Partners

LaGuardia Gateway Partners was selected by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey to deliver an extensive capital redevelopment project at LaGuardia Airport’s Terminal B that will provide world-class terminal facilities and operations for passengers and airlines.

LaGuardia Gateway Partners is composed of Vantage Airport Group, Skanska, Meridiam, and JLC Infrastructure for development and equity investment; Vantage Airport Group leads the redevelopment program and management of Terminal B, with Skanska Walsh as the design build joint venture and HOK and WSP for design. LaGuardia Gateway Partners’ members have worked on more than 350 aviation and transportation projects globally and domestically, including international airports in New York (John F. Kennedy), Chicago, Doha, Delhi, Los Angeles, Santiago, and Nassau. For more information, visit <http://www.laguardiaB.com> or follow on Twitter at @TerminalBLGA.