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NEWS RELEASE

El Paso International Airport Employees Receive Aviation Professional Certification

EL PASO, Texas – An exceptional number of El Paso International Airport (EPIA) staff have completed the Airport Certified Employee (ACE) Program through the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE).

"It is a city strategic goal to support its people and also a personal goal of mine to foster the growth and development of the people that work so diligently to make this airport an award-winning one," said Monica Lombrana, A.A.E., Chief Operations and Transportation Officer. "I am a proud example of an employee that utilized the City's educational resources and it is important to me that I encourage my staff to do the same, not just for the betterment of the organization but also for their own personal professional achievement."

The AAAE ACE Operations program is a Part 139-based curriculum designed to educate and challenge airport personnel with airfield operations responsibilities. The training consisted of four days of intense classwork consisting of modules of learning that covers everything from administration to the airfield, followed by a final exam. Airport employees who completed this course received an Aviation Professional Certification and Designation.

Congratulations to the following Airport Employees who have completed this program:

Asa Aguilar, Alberto Bejarano, R. Shane Brooks, Ruben Felix, Andrew Gestrine, Jim Henry, Gaby Martinez, Timothy Mathieu, Willie Paris, and Stephanie Urbina.

Founded in 1928, AAAE is the world's largest professional organization for airport executives, representing thousands of airport management personnel at public-use commercial and general aviation airports. AAAE's members represent nearly 875 airports and authorities, in addition to hundreds of companies and organizations that support airports. AAAE serves its membership through results-oriented representation in Washington, D.C. and delivers a wide range of industry services and professional development opportunities including training, meetings and conferences, and a highly respected accreditation program.

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