

### **Aer Lingus announces biggest winter schedule**

Aer Lingus has announced new services and capacity increases across the transatlantic network offering passengers more choice and convenient connections via Dublin.

There will be 350 additional transatlantic flights for winter 2017 and a 13% increase in transatlantic capacity compared to last year.

A new long-haul Miami route will start from 1 September and operate three flights per week, and the new Airbus A330-300 will be in operation for the full winter season.

There will also be 12 flights per week to the West Coast – Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Passengers from Isle of Man can take advantage of the new and increased services through the airline's connections in Dublin. Aer Lingus guests can pre-clear U.S Customs and Immigration allowing them to pass through domestic channels upon landing for a smooth and swift arrival in the USA.

Mike Rutter, chief operating officer, Aer Lingus said: "This Winter is our biggest yet with considerable expansion of our long-haul and European networks. The increasing recognition that the Aer Lingus Dublin Hub is the fastest, cheapest and least hassle way to visit North America is underpinned by a further 13% increase in transatlantic seats from Dublin this winter. The Aer Lingus Dublin Hub is now the year round choice for North Atlantic travellers whether they are travelling for leisure or business purposes. This premier position will be underscored by our new route to Miami and the increased frequency to our California gateways."