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### **Delaware North Companies Opens The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf in Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport**

*Restaurants are located in both pre- and post-security areas of the airport*

**BUFFALO, N.Y. (October 13, 2009)** – Delaware North Companies Travel Hospitality Services and Wayne County Airport Authority have teamed up to offer travelers the tastes and aromas of The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf, a privately held chain of specialty coffee and tea stores based in Southern California since 1963, is well-known for its signature coffees, teas and Ice Blended® drinks.

The airport now features The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf concepts in its McNamara Terminal. One restaurant is located in Concourse A (near gate A60), while the other can be found pre-security in the domestic baggage claim area.

“We are thrilled to offer our customers this exciting new food and beverage option both to travelers on the concourse and customers waiting for arriving travelers in the McNamara baggage claim area,” said WCAA CEO Lester Robinson. “The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf is well-known for its signature drinks and product portfolio, and the airport authority is delighted to make these delicious offerings available to everyone who visits our airport.”

Delaware North has an exclusive partnership with The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf to develop the brand’s airport restaurants. Delaware North currently operates two The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf locations in Ontario International Airport in Ontario, Calif., and one in Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport. The Detroit restaurants will bring the total to five.

“We’re proud to have a valuable partnership with The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf and excited to bring this new concept to Detroit Metro Airport,” said Matt King, president of Delaware North Companies Travel Hospitality Services. “We take pride in connecting people with this strong brand and helping grow The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf’s presence in the industry.”

The new The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf locations feature NEXTEP SYSTEMS digital menu boards that help inform customers about products and expedite overall service.

Delaware North Companies is a global leader in hospitality and food service with operations at such places as Wembley Stadium in the United Kingdom, Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex in Florida, Busch Stadium in St. Louis, and Yosemite National Park. The company's Travel Hospitality Services division operates at more than two dozen airports worldwide, including Los Angeles International Airport, Detroit Metro Airport and Melbourne Airport in Australia.

#### **About Delaware North Companies Travel Hospitality Services**

Delaware North Companies Travel Hospitality Services, a subsidiary of Delaware North Companies, is one of the world's leading airport food service and retail companies, operating 300 restaurants and retail outlets in more than 25 airports worldwide, and serving more than 350 million customers each year. Its award-winning operations include airports throughout the United States, such as Los Angeles International Airport and Ft. Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport, as well as international airports such as Melbourne International Airport in Australia and Gatwick International Airport in London.

#### **About Delaware North Companies**

Delaware North Companies is one of the world's leading hospitality and food service providers. Its family of companies includes Delaware North Companies Parks & Resorts, Delaware North Companies Gaming & Entertainment, Delaware North Companies Travel Hospitality Services, Delaware North Companies Sportservice, Delaware North Companies International and Delaware North Companies Boston, owner of TD Garden. Delaware North Companies is one of the largest privately held companies in the United States with revenues exceeding \$2 billion annually and 50,000 associates serving half a billion customers in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand. For more information, visit [www.DelawareNorth.com](http://www.DelawareNorth.com).

#### **About Detroit Metropolitan Airport**

Operated by Wayne County Airport Authority, Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) is the largest airport in Michigan and among the busiest air transportation hubs in the world with more than 35 million passengers in 2008. DTW serves as the second-largest hub and primary transpacific gateway for the world's largest airline, Delta Air Lines, as well as home to 16 additional airlines, including several low-cost carriers and five foreign-flag carriers. Altogether, DTW offers more than 1,200 nonstop flights per day to over 160 destinations worldwide.

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