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## **Mesa Air Group to Expand Partnership with American Airlines**

**PHOENIX, May 19, 2014** -- [Mesa Air Group](#), Inc. announced today that it has reached an agreement with American Airlines for the addition of six CRJ-900 aircraft to its fleet of 51 aircraft currently under contract with American. The term of the agreement covering the additional six aircraft is eight years.

“We are delighted to add these six CRJ-900 aircraft with our partners at American Airlines. With almost 40 aircraft scheduled for delivery over the next several years, Mesa is now the fastest growing airline in the country providing exciting opportunities and long-term job security for our people,” said Mesa Chairman and CEO Jonathan Ornstein. “We would like to thank our partners at American for their continued confidence and we look forward to providing the highest quality service available.”

### **About Mesa Airlines**

A multiple recipient of *Air Transport World's* Regional Airline of the Year Award and ranked No. 1 Regional Airline three consecutive years by the DOT Air Travel Consumer Report, Phoenix-based [Mesa Airlines](#) operates as US Airways Express from hubs in Charlotte and Phoenix and as United Express from Washington Dulles and Chicago O'Hare. Founded on a mesa in New Mexico in 1982 by Larry and Janie Risley, Mesa currently operates 69 aircraft with more than 400 daily system departures to 85 cities, 36 states, the District of Columbia, Canada and Mexico. The company has approximately 2,200 employees and plans to hire an additional 1,000 in the next two years.