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LATEST FINANCIAL INFORMATION ON THE D&S PLAN

The latest financial information on the D&S Plan is detailed in the IRS Form 5500 for the Plan year that ended on June 30, 2013. The entire Form 5500 filing can be viewed by clicking on a link on two different pages of the DDPSA website –the D&S PLAN page or the NEWS page.

A brief summary of the information included in the Form 5500 is as follows:

- 1. The good news is that Net Assets of the Plan increased and Plan Benefit Obligations decreased during the Plan year.
- 2. The Net Assets available to pay benefits increased by approximately \$34 million to approximately \$1 billion during the Plan year.
- 3. The increase in Plan assets was attributable to investment gains of approximately \$115 million and contributions from Delta in the amount of approximately \$52 million.
- 4. Part of Delta's contribution (\$32 million) was related to provisions enacted during the Delta bankruptcy under which up to \$60 million of D&S Trust assets were authorized to be expended annually on pilot sick leave. The pilot sick leave expenditures ceased at the end of 2012 and the related contributions ceased in 2013.
- 5. Delta's additional contributions of approximately \$20 million during the year appear to be related to reimbursement for expenditures to pay disability benefits and life insurance premiums for former Northwest pilots.
- 6. Benefit payments amounted to approximately \$126 million; insurance premiums were approximately \$5 million; and administrative expenses were approximately \$2 million.
- 7. The Plan covered 10,640 active pilots, 5,142 retired pilots and 775 survivors of deceased pilots.
- 8. Plan Benefit Obligations stood at approximately \$1.9 billion as of June 30, 2013, a decrease of approximately \$118 million from the previous year. The decrease was primarily a result of an increase in the discount rate from 4.375% to 4.875% as well as actuarial adjustments.

The bottom line is that it was not a bad year for the Plan. However, the Net Assets of the Plan still amount to only approximately 52% of the Plan Benefit Obligations.

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