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Dane County Regional Airport Named One of the World's Most Noteworthy Airports for 2008

Dane County Regional Airport (DCRA) has been named one of the "Top 20" of the world's most noteworthy airports for 2008 by Passenger Terminal World, a leading trade publication, which airs the views and opinions of experts in the field of passenger terminal facilities, design, technology, security, operations and management. It is published in Britain and distributed worldwide.

Critical overall to the judges was the service and speed of flow through terminals. DCRA was singled out for its "environmental build programme." In its most recent terminal expansion project, the airport recycled 97 percent of all waste, incorporated recycled materials, and adopted green building and energy saving strategies throughout construction.

The publication stated, "Airport construction is currently being criticized by a multitude of environmental groups around the world. ...Dane County airport, Madison, Wisconsin, continues to win awards for its design and environmentally friendly build programme." It also said, "The building will provide a beautiful gateway airport for Madison and is unique in the global airport construction business."

"The county airport's focus on environmentally friendly building designs and work have resulted in this prestigious designation as one of the top ranked airports in the world," Dane County Executive Kathleen Falk said.

"Our commitment to green building makes sense both environmentally and financially. We're pleased to be recognized as a leader in the field," said Airport Director Bradley Livingston.

Also on the Top 20 list were:

Heathrow Airport, London (tops in three categories)
McCarran International Airport, Las Vegas
Toronto Pearson International Airport
Copenhagen Airport, Denmark
Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport
Charles De Gaulle International Airport, Paris
Philadelphia International Airport
Frankfurt International Airport, Germany
O.R. Tambo International Airport, Johannesburg, South Africa
Incheon International Airport, South Korea
Dulles International Airport
Stansted International Airport, UK
Changi Airport, Singapore
Norwich International Airport, UK
Zurich Airport, Switzerland
Bilbao Airport, Spain
Amsterdam Airport Schiphol, Netherlands

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