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RFD Sees Over 1 Billion Pounds in Landed Cargo Weight

Rockford, Ill. – The Chicago Rockford International Airport (RFD) released the November cargo statistics, as well as the year to date for eleven months in 2017. RFD has seen over 1 billion pounds of landed cargo weight so far during calendar year 2017. Year to date, this is a 48 percent increase in landed weight over calendar year 2016.

RFD saw a 51.4 percent increase from October 2017 to November 2017. Increases are a direct result of ABX and UPS increasing their day-to-day and seasonal operations out of RFD this year.

Recently, nearly 2,300 jobs became available at RFD due to the increase in cargo activity. UPS announced in September that it would be hiring for 2,000 positions to support holiday volume. Pinnacle Logistics, an aviation cargo warehousing operation, added five additional daily flights in November, which created an additional 300 jobs.

“We are very pleased with our November cargo numbers and are anticipating one of our biggest increases ever for year’s end,” said Mike Dunn, RFD Executive Director. “We are continuously seeking cargo and passenger partnerships and will continue to be aggressive heading into 2018.”

[The Chicago Rockford International Airport](#) (RFD) is Chicago’s low-cost airport for cargo and passenger services. RFD is served by two airlines, Allegiant Air and Swift Air, and serves eight non-stop destinations. RFD is currently the nation’s 25th busiest airport in cargo volume. The airport is home to the second-largest UPS hub in North America and ABX Air, ATI, and Atlas Air, which supports daily flights from one of the world’s top cargo airlines. For more information on RFD and flight schedules, visit FlyRFD.com.

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