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Leading tourism and airline IT solutions developer celebrates “opening day” for its state-of-the-art U.S. facility

(GWINNETT- METRO ATLANTA) September 16, 2014 – Gwinnett County Chairman Charlotte Nash, [Gwinnett Chamber Economic Development](#), and [Georgia Department of Economic Development](#) celebrated the opening of TravelSky’s U.S. R&D center today at a ribbon cutting ceremony in Gwinnett County, metro Atlanta, Georgia. [TravelSky](#), a leading IT solutions developer for the airline and tourism industries, will house its operations in the Gwinnett Commerce Center in the Duluth area. The project, which is expected to create 30-50 jobs, represents a \$10 million investment in the community.

“We are consistently seeking new ways to expand our information technology integration services worldwide, as we remain focused on diversification in the global travel market,” said Yuanchang Huang, Vice President of TravelSky. “We are grateful to Georgia for the opportunity to grow and build on our world-class standing business. One of our management philosophies is to provide an attractive working environment and a good place for professional development for our employees. The establishment of this U.S. R&D Center in Georgia will fulfill those objectives.”

Governor Nathan Deal officially announced TravelSky’s investment in August 2013, following a meeting with Huang in China. The Governor and a delegation of Georgia businesses, economic developers, and state officials went on a business mission to Asia to explore investment, trade, and tourism opportunities in the world’s fastest-growing economy.

“TravelSky is an excellent addition to our network of IT developers,” said GDEcD Commissioner Chris Carr. “With a vast network of critical data centers and an advanced workforce, as well as having access to the latest R&D resources from our universities and technical colleges, it makes sense that a highly technical company like TravelSky would choose Georgia to call home.”

“Gwinnett County maintains a strong foundation in the technology industry and global business,” said Gwinnett County Commission Chairman Charlotte Nash. “TravelSky’s choice to locate here speaks to the positive nature of our business mission in Asia and our community’s reputation as a leader in global business.”

"Gwinnett and the metro Atlanta region foster an excellent business environment for innovative global technology companies like TravelSky to thrive," said Nick Masino, Sr. Vice President for Gwinnett Chamber Economic Development and Partnership Gwinnett. "From the development of new technology to offering high-wage job opportunities for the qualified workforce in Gwinnett, TravelSky truly brings a solid package of economic strength to the table and we are pleased to have them growing in Gwinnett and Metro Atlanta."

The company reviewed sites across North America, including San Francisco's Silicon Valley, Dallas, Houston, Chicago, and Toronto, before choosing Gwinnett County, metro Atlanta area.

Headquartered in Beijing, China, TravelSky employs more than 4,000 people worldwide and operates 12 branches, 9 affiliated companies, and 21 subsidiaries across Hong Kong, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, Europe and the United States. TravelSky services 30 domestic airlines, nearly 200 regional and overseas airlines, 147 domestic airports, and 7,000 ticket agents. The company currently has a presence in 300 Chinese cities and 80 foreign cities.

For more information about TravelSky, please visit www.travelskyholdings.com/english.

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