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### **DINOLFO ANNOUNCES ROC AIRPORT WINS NATIONAL 'AIRPORTS GOING GREEN' AWARD FOR RENOVATION PROJECT**

*National Award recognizes pursuit of sustainability within the aviation industry*

Monroe County Executive **Cheryl Dinolfo** today announced that the Greater Rochester International Airport (ROC) has received the 2019 Airports Going Green (AGG) Award from the Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) and the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) for the ROC Renovation Project in the category of Outstanding Sustainability Infrastructure Development. The prestigious award recognizes the contributions of an outstanding project in pursuit of sustainability within the aviation industry.

*“The ROC Renovation project delivered a next-generation Airport that fully communicates the vibrancy of our growing community,”* said **Dinolfo**. *“Built in to the renovation, however, were a number of green features that reflect Monroe County’s continued commitment to sustainability best practices. By investing in energy efficiency projects, not only are we conserving energy and protecting the environment, we are also reducing costs and saving money for taxpayers. These efforts are a win-win, and I’m grateful for this national recognition.”*

ROC Airport secured this highly coveted award for its portfolio of sustainable initiatives associated with the ROC Renovation project listed below:

| Green Initiative                               | Sustainability Features  |
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| <b>Terminal Entrance Canopy Green Features</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 2,350 LED Lighting Array Units</li><li>- 100 additional Solar Panels increasing photovoltaic power generation to 168KW – offsets 12% of ROC Airport energy costs annually</li><li>- 40,000 gallon rainwater collection system used for landscaping irrigation</li><li>- Reduced operation/maintenance costs related to decreased snow and ice removal.</li></ul> |
| <b>Operational Efficiencies:</b>               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- High-tech HVAC management of energy with cost control measures</li><li>- New high-efficiency Air Conditioning units conserve energy</li></ul>  |

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 300 LED lights deployed along terminal entrance and access roadway. Retrofit 738 LED lights in airport tunnels. Entire ROC terminal uses LED.</li> <li>- 6,000 sq. feet of floor to ceiling high-efficiency glass windows to allow for increased daylight, decreased reliance on artificial light.</li> <li>- 8 water bottle refill stations to reduce plastic usage</li> <li>- 30 custom recycling receptacles for passengers to recycle waste, glass and plastics.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Electric Vehicle Charging Stations</b>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2 EV charging stations in new Smart Phone Lot complete with LED Flight Information Screen</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Innovation: Communications &amp; Sustainability</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- First in the nation to incorporate visual cues using “smart” color-coded LED lighting integrated with the Flight Information Display System (FIDS) to convey hold room/gate activity and visual messages.</li> <li>- Hearing and Counter loops installed to assist passengers who use hearing aid devices with clear delivery of public address announcements and face-to-face communication at ticket counters, car rental counters, food concessions, etc.</li> </ul>         |

The 12th Annual AGG Conference is held in November in Chicago. AGG is the aviation industry’s leading forum on sustainability. Since its beginning, AGG has enjoyed international recognition from airports, airlines, industry associations, and government agencies. Conference attendees participate in key discussions with airport business partners, government leaders, and top-level speakers from around the world.

Over 600 Airports across the country can apply for the awards with ROC Airport being the only small-hub airport awarded this year. Applications are reviewed by an independent awards council.

This is the first time ROC has been honored with this award. Other award recipients for 2019 include Los Angeles World Airports (LAX), Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX), Indianapolis Airport (IND) and United Airlines.

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