the concourse next to the new Perlis Cajun Clothing. In the East Terminal pre-security, the Creole Kitchen is once again open with twice the space and on Concourse B, Zatarain’s Kitchen, the first of our new restaurants, opened for business before Thanksgiving. Eateries throughout the airport scheduled for completion this month are WOW Wingery, Ye Olde College Inn, Copeland’s Cheesecake Factory and Dookey Chase, the anchor restaurant in the terminal.

In other airport news, we were pleased in the latter part of November to announce additional air service and a new destination by Frontier Airlines, one of our 10 airlines serving the greater New Orleans metro area. Beginning February 1, 2013, Frontier will operate a direct flight to Trenton, NJ with a Monday and Friday frequency on their 138-seat Airbus 319 to the Trenton-Mercer airport, located 38 miles from downtown Philadelphia and 65 miles from midtown Manhattan. Frontier is a low fare carrier that also operates a seasonal flight to their Denver hub from New Orleans. We continue to work towards reaching the 10 million passenger mark with new destinations. Every new flight will push us closer to that goal.

This has been a very productive year and I am extremely proud of our team and the results they have accomplished in the last two and half years, during which time I have had the privilege to lead them. I recently had a chance to share with them the fact that they are making history together.

For the last few years, the New Orleans Aviation Board and staff have concentrated on changing the look, the operation and the transparency of the airport. It is evident to me and I hope it is evident to the community we serve.