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## Philadelphia International Airport Ensures Safe and Reliable Electric Service through \$7 Million Electric Enhancement Project with PECO

**PHILADELPHIA** (December 8, 2016) – Philadelphia International Airport recently worked with PECO on a \$7 million project that included replacement of a 13-kilovolt (kV) underground electric cable to enhance service reliability.

“The Airport is a major component of the region’s economy and it is essential that we deliver consistent and reliable aviation services” said Airport CEO Chellie Cameron. “By working with PECO, we have taken another step to meet the needs of our passengers today and tomorrow.”

More than five miles of new cable was installed and 15 new manholes were constructed as part of this work to enhance the local power grid. In addition to improving system reliability, this work is part of a multi-phase plan that will support the Airport.

Teams of employees from both Philadelphia International Airport and PECO collaborated to complete this work, which began in the spring of 2016, and was completed this fall.

“We continuously collaborate with our customers as part of our efforts to advance our systems that power the vital infrastructure for our region,” said Craig Adams, PECO president and CEO. “This work we are doing today ensures continued reliable electric service for Philadelphia International Airport and provides the platform to support their energy needs into the future.”

This project is part of PECO’s System 2020 plan to invest an additional \$274 million during the next five years to install advanced equipment and reinforce the future electric system, making it more weather resistant and less vulnerable to storm damage. This investment is in addition to \$500 million in ongoing system work completed each year, including replacing equipment and upgrading infrastructure.

Philadelphia International Airport is owned and operated by the City of Philadelphia. The Airport is a self-sustaining entity that operates without the use of local tax dollars. It is one of the largest economic engines in Pennsylvania, generating an estimated \$14.4 billion in spending to the regional economy and accounting for more than 141,000 jobs.