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**Laura Einspanier**

Vice President Employee Relations  
February 14, 2013

Dear APA Board of Directors, National Officers, and Negotiating Committee:

As you know, American is announcing today some exciting news that will begin the next chapter in the history of our great airline. After many months of careful analysis, we have come to the conclusion that a merger with US Airways will give our people, our customers and our shareholders the most value, and create the best future for our company and our people.

I think you will agree there are many benefits to this combination – an enhanced network and a path to sustainable profitability being among them. Creating this new American will better serve our customers, helping us to effectively compete and win against industry peers, and allow us to continue to invest in our products and people.

We are particularly pleased that through this process, we were able to reach the four-party Memorandum of Understanding that helped us gain insight into how a combined airline would affect our pilots, and will help the transition and integration be as seamless as possible for our pilots. With approval of the merger and our Plan of Reorganization, we will be in a position to quickly share some of the anticipated benefits of the merger with our pilots, which is why we are also pleased that we were able to recently reach agreement on the \$87 million in specific contractual adjustments called for in the MOU. We expect to receive government and US Airways stockholder approval of the merger and Bankruptcy Court approval of our Plan of Reorganization in the third quarter of 2013, at which point the MOU will become effective.

This merger represents what I hope will be a brighter future for our company and our pilots. I look forward to continuing to work with you as we begin the transition toward a stronger American, and I thank you for your efforts to conclude multiple and complex agreements during this unprecedented time.

Sincerely,

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### **Additional Information and Where To Find It**

This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities or a solicitation of any vote or approval. The proposed merger transaction between AMR Corporation ( AMR ) and US Airways Group, Inc. ( US Airways ) will be submitted to the stockholders of US Airways for their consideration. AMR expects to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ) a registration statement on Form S-4 that will include a prospectus of AMR and a proxy statement of US Airways, and US Airways expects to file with the SEC a definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A. AMR and US Airways also plan to file other documents with the SEC regarding the proposed transaction. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF US AIRWAYS ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT, PROSPECTUS AND OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS THAT WILL BE FILED WITH THE SEC CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. Investors and security holders will be able to obtain free copies of the proxy statement, prospectus and other documents containing important information about AMR and US Airways, once such documents are filed with the SEC, through the website maintained by the SEC at <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of the documents filed with the SEC by US Airways, when and if available, can be obtained free of charge on US Airways' website at [www.usairways.com](http://www.usairways.com) or by directing a written request to US Airways Group, Inc., 111 West Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe, Arizona 85281, Attention: Vice President, Legal Affairs. Copies of the documents filed with the SEC by AMR, when and if available, can be obtained free of charge on AMR's website at [www.aa.com](http://www.aa.com) or by directing a written request to AMR Corporation, P.O. Box 619616, MD 5675, Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport, Texas 75261-9616, Attention: Investor Relations or by emailing [investor.relations@aa.com](mailto:investor.relations@aa.com).

US Airways, AMR and certain of their respective directors, executive officers and certain members of management may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the stockholders of US Airways in connection with the proposed transaction. Information about the directors and executive officers of US Airways is set forth in its proxy statement for its 2012 annual meeting of stockholders, which was filed with the SEC on April 27, 2012. Information about the directors and executive officers of AMR is set forth in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, which was filed with the SEC on February 15, 2012. These documents can be obtained free of charge from the sources indicated above. Other information regarding the participants in the proxy solicitation and a description of their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be contained in the prospectus and proxy statement and other relevant materials when and if filed with the SEC in connection with the proposed transaction.

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This document includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements may be identified by words such as may, will, expect, intend, anticipate, believe, estimate, plan, project, should, would, continue, seek, target, guidance, outlook, forecast and other similar words. These forward-looking statements are based on AMR and US Airways' current objectives, beliefs and expectations, and they are subject to significant risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results and financial position and timing of certain events to differ materially from the information in the forward-looking statements. The following factors, among others, could cause actual results and financial position and timing of certain events to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements: failure of a proposed transaction to be implemented; the challenges and costs of closing, integrating, restructuring and achieving anticipated synergies; the ability to retain key employees; and other economic, business, competitive, and/or regulatory factors affecting the businesses of US Airways and AMR generally, including those set forth in the filings of US Airways and AMR with the SEC, especially in the Risk Factors and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations sections of their respective annual reports on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, their current reports on Form 8-K and other SEC filings, including the registration statement, proxy statement and prospectus. Any forward-looking statements speak only as of the date hereof or as of the dates indicated in the statements. Neither AMR nor US Airways assumes any obligation to publicly update or supplement any forward-looking statement to reflect actual results, changes in assumptions or changes in other factors affecting these forward-looking statements except as required by law.

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