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To: OBAP Members, Supporters and Friends:

In just four short months, the Organization of Black Airline Pilots, Incorporated (OBAP) will convene the **32nd Annual Convention and Career Exposition in Miami, Florida, August 12-16, 2008 at the Doral Golf Resort & Spa**. This event will be an acknowledgement and celebration of the extraordinary journey made possible by the commitment and dedication of our visionary founders. **Our theme: BUILDING A FLIGHT PLAN FOR THE FUTURE**, further exemplifies the relevancy of the mission set forth in 1976. As a result of our many dedicated professional volunteers, we are positioned to align our mission with business objectives that will deliver highly skilled talent that is critical to the aerospace industry.

Join our *Title Sponsors, American Airlines and American Eagle Airlines* for this unique opportunity to leverage access to extraordinary recruiting, networking and professional development. The number of certification scholarships and job offers increase annually. OBAP has a proven track record in attracting talent, increasing recruiting activity and assisting in critical retention efforts in the industry. Our ability to strengthen and extend our reach in the aerospace industry is enhanced by our valued relationships with the Bessie Coleman Foundation, Negro Airmen International, the U.S. Army Black Aviation Association and the Black Flight Attendants of America, Incorporated.

We remain steadfast in our mission to motivate minorities and disadvantaged youth to become educationally prepared for careers in aerospace through Science, Technology, Engineering and Math programs that create an important pipeline, ready to meet the increasing number of employment opportunities. The organization also provides ongoing skill development opportunities to current professionals to maintain and enhance critical workforce skills through ongoing professional development.

Please take a moment to peruse our Convention Flight Schedule and Highlights and begin to make plans to participate in our annual Golf Challenge on the world renowned Blue Monster Golf Course. You can be assured that your decision to participate will be a worthwhile investment that provides you a significant return on investment.

We encourage all members, active and inactive, and supporters of OBAP to join us for the experience of a lifetime! We look forward to seeing you in Miami. Register TODAY and take advantage of the Early Registration Package. Please feel free to contact our Convention Planner, LaTéssa Hall, CMP at (954) 874-1667 or via email at obap@hrtgroup.com for any assistance.

Thank you in advance,

Capt. Karl Minter
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