

Delta Cargo awarded IATA's CEIV Pharma Certification

First U.S. Global carrier to receive certification

ATLANTA, July 10, 2017: Delta Cargo today announced that it has been awarded IATA's Center of Excellence for Independent Validators (CEIV) Pharma logistics Certification. Delta is the first U.S. Global carrier to receive this accolade and has now joined the elite group of pharma logistics providers to achieve CEIV Pharma Certification. The certification is awarded to the company at the headquarters level and additionally at Delta's largest Cargo operation which is located in Atlanta. With this certification Delta has created the first CEIV Pharma trans-Atlantic network connecting Atlanta with other existing CEIV Pharma certified partners, stations and handlers in Amsterdam, Brussels, Milan, Paris and Rome.

"The safe and efficient transportation of Pharma products for the healthcare and pharmaceutical industry is a key priority for us, as is the health and safety of patients who depend on them," said Gareth Joyce, President-Cargo and Senior Vice President Airport Customer Service. "Delta has made significant investments in the ensuring that our facilities, equipment, operations and staff comply with all applicable standards, regulations and guidelines expected from pharmaceutical manufacturers."

The CEIV Pharma certification also provides significant opportunities as Delta and joint venture partner Air France KLM Martinair Cargo, who is also CEIV Pharma certified, can transport Pharma products across the extensive Delta, Air France and KLM networks creating a global trade lane.

Joyce continues; "This award really opens up our flights across the globe to the Pharma industry which can now rely on Delta, Air France and KLM for their speed, consistency and efficiency in delivering high-value, time-sensitive, temperature-controlled products right across the network."

"The North American freight market is the third largest in the world, accounting for over 20% of total global trade. Having Delta Cargo, one of the region's largest operators, achieve CEIV Pharma Certification is a boost not only for the airline's customers, who can be confident that their life-saving and temperature sensitive products will be delivered in impeccable condition, but also the region. We congratulate them on their achievement and for taking the industry one step closer to having a global standard in place for the transportation of pharmaceuticals," said Nick Careen, IATA's Vice President Airport, Passenger, Cargo and Security.