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American Airlines Celebrates Closing of TWA Deal

(St. Louis, Mo.)- Representative Akin will participate in today's celebration marking American's acquisition of TWA's assets. A federal bankruptcy judge is expected to finalize the deal today.

Earlier, Congressman Akin (R-Mo.) had urged the Department of Justice to give top-priority to an expedited review of American's bid to purchase TWA's assets.

"This is a proven airline with a known track record," said Akin of American. "This is great news for thousands of TWA employees and for our region."