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Dear Travel Professional:

One thing we committed to do when we announced our planned merger with US Airways was to keep our customers and partners in the travel industry informed of our progress. In keeping with this commitment, I am pleased to provide the following update.

Merger planning has recently commenced with 29 integration teams, including one focused on our sales and account management functions, to define the manner in which American and US Airways will combine our commercial, customer service, operations and corporate functions after the merger closes.

This week a number of the teams met in Dallas/Fort Worth with a focus on the most pressing work that must be accomplished during the months leading up to the close of the merger, including what our customers see and hear from us on the first day as a combined airline group and how we bring our more than 100,000 employees together as one team.

As this work progresses, we continue to welcome your feedback. A lot of you have shared with us your experiences of airlines that already have merged, and we are using this learning as we plot our unique course.

We still expect the merger to close in the third quarter of this year, and we will then move forward with a plan that leads to the day we operate as a single carrier. That could be 18 months or more from the time the merger closes, but the date is less important than the details, which we are working very hard to get right.

The most important thing we can do, and will do, is to ensure a strong future for the new American by continuing to operate our respective airlines safely, and on time, and focused on our customers and partners in the travel industry.

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Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to welcoming you onboard soon.

Warm regards,

Derek L. DeCross

Vice President, Global Sales

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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 has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) a registration statement on Form S-4, which includes a preliminary proxy statement of US Airways that also constitutes a prospectus of AMR. US Airways expects to file with the SEC a definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A, and 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 PRELIMINARY proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant documents that will be filed with the SEC (including the definitive proxy statement/PROSPECTUS) carefully and in their entirety when they become available because they contain important information about the proposed transaction. Investors and security holders may obtain free copies of the preliminary proxy statement/prospectus and other documents containing important information about AMR and US Airways (including the definitive proxy statement/prospectus), 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 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 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.

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 Annual Report on Form 10-K/A, which was filed with the SEC on April 16, 2013, and the preliminary proxy statement/prospectus related to the proposed transaction, which was filed with the SEC on April 15, 2013. Information about the directors and executive officers of AMR is set forth in its Annual Report on Form 10-K/A, which was filed with the SEC on April 16, 2013, and the preliminary proxy statement/prospectus related to the proposed transaction, which was filed with the SEC on April 15, 2013. These documents can be obtained free of charge from the sources indicated above. Other information regarding the participants in the proxy solicitation may also be included in the definitive proxy statement/prospectus 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,

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project, guidance, could. should. would. continue. seek. target. outlook. believe. estimate. plan. forecast and other six forward-looking statements are based on AMR s 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 and the proxy statement/prospectus related to the proposed transaction. 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.