

**BEFORE THE
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WASHINGTON, DC**

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Joplin, Missouri)
Sioux City, Iowa)
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Under 49 U.S.C. §§ 41743(a))
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**NOTICE OF INTENT OF AMERICAN AIRLINES, INC.
TO TERMINATE SCHEDULED AIR SERVICE**

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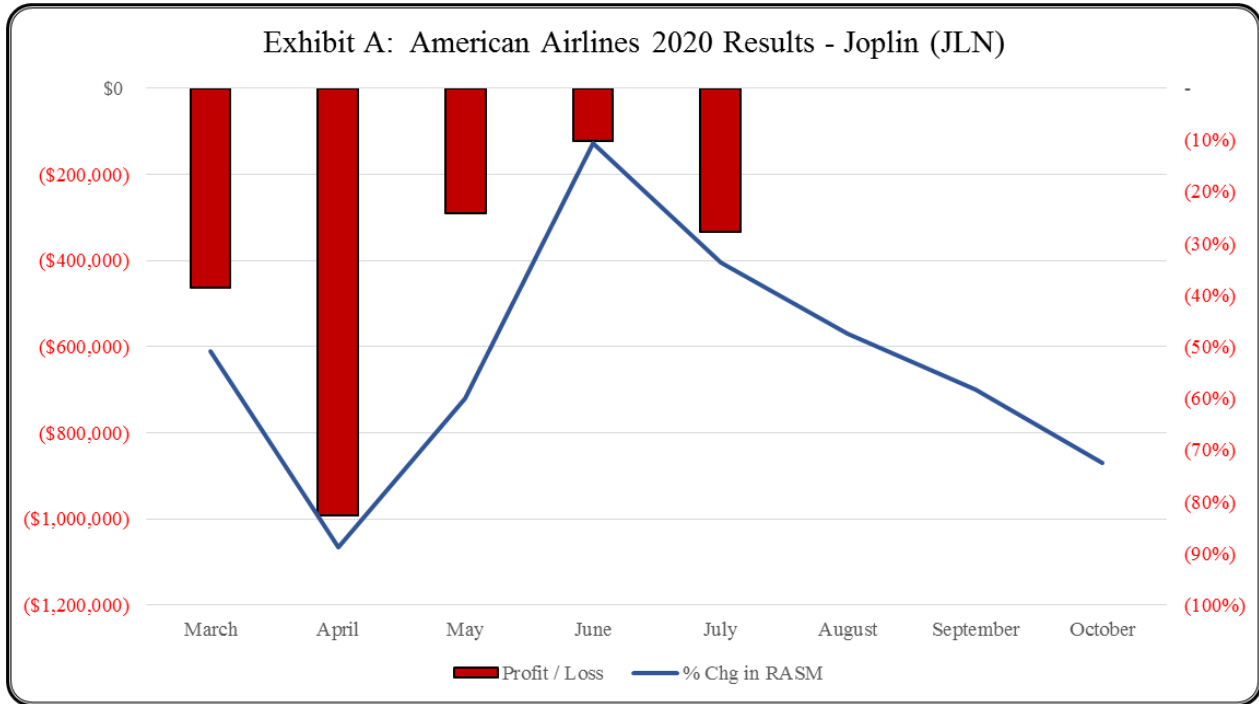
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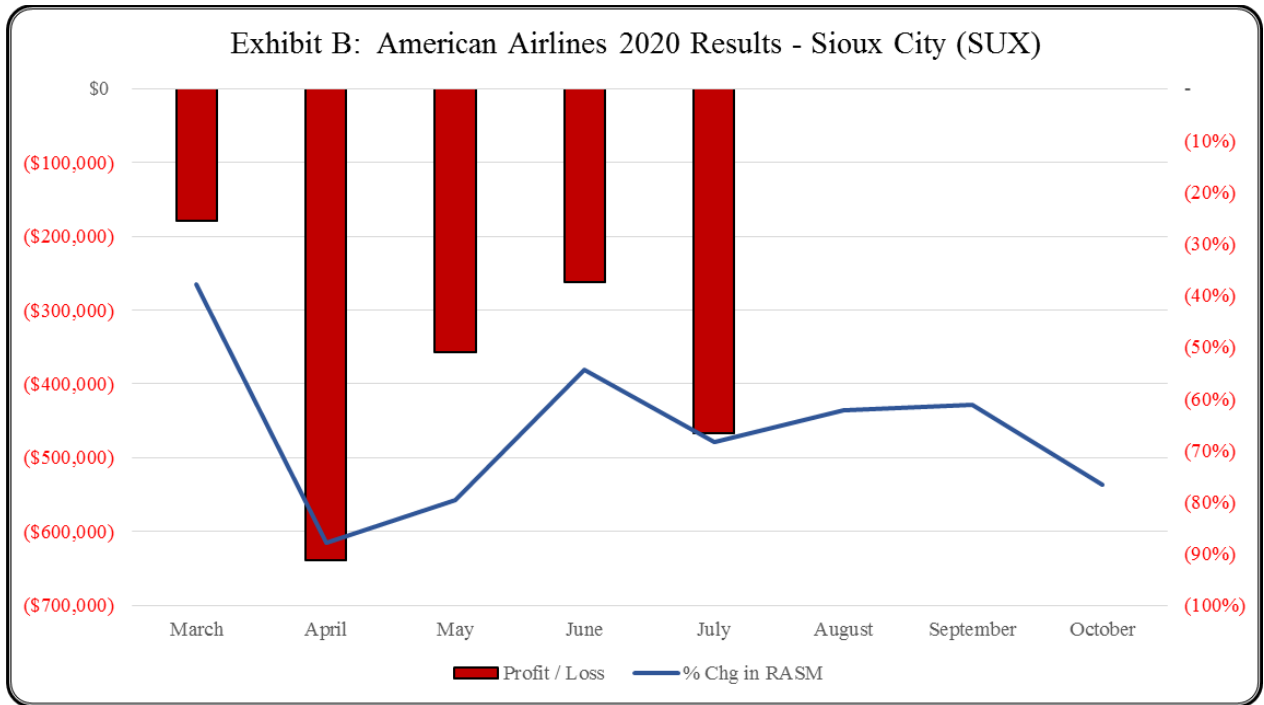
As it has been for much of the United States and the World, this has been a very difficult year financially for American Airlines, Inc. (“American”) and for the aviation industry in general due to the ongoing COVID-19 crisis and the resulting loss of passenger demand for air transportation. As is the case in a number of other markets where we are planning to eliminate or reduce service, our services to Joplin, Missouri (“JLN”) and Sioux City, Iowa (“SUX”) are not financially viable in this environment.

Accordingly, American is hereby respectfully submitting the required 90-day notice of its intention to discontinue all service from JLN and SUX. American intends to discontinue these services on December 1, 2020 or such earlier date as permitted by the Department.

Since the pandemic began in the spring, American’s operations in JLN and SUX have produced losses of \$2.2M and \$1.9M respectively. This equates to a -147% and -146% margin in these stations. As can be seen in Exhibit A and Exhibit B, the current booked revenue trends

are similar to what American has experienced over the course of the spring and summer. Based on this extrapolation, American expects to incur similar and substantial losses for the foreseeable future.





Note: August RASM is through 8/23/2020 and September and October RASM is for bookings as of 8/25/2020

American has served and partnered with these communities for years – even foregoing subsidies since 2016 in SUX and 2018 in JLN. However, these are unprecedented times and unfortunately American needs to make changes to improve its financial performance and allow it to protect as many of the over 100,000 team members it employs around the United States and the World.

Respectfully submitted,

American Airlines, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been served on August 28, 2020, by electronic mail, upon those addressees listed below.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Molly A. Wilkinson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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