

## NEWS RELEASE

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# WFS WINS HANDLING CONTRACT FOR QATAR AIRWAYS' NEW PITTSBURGH FREIGHTER SERVICE



**Qatar Airways Cargo has appointed Worldwide Flight Services (WFS) to provide cargo handling for its new twice-weekly Boeing 777 freighter services to Pittsburgh International Airport.**

The launch of the new route on 11 October 2017 will make Qatar Airways the first international airline to commence a scheduled freighter service to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. It becomes the airline's fifth freighter destination in the Americas to be launched in 2017.

With the introduction of freighter services to Pittsburgh, Qatar Airways is adding a further 200 tonnes of cargo capacity a week to support

customers in the state of Pennsylvania, complementing the 100 tonnes of belly-hold cargo capacity a week already offered onboard its daily wide-body A350 passenger flights to Philadelphia, the largest city in Pennsylvania.

The new Doha-Luxembourg-Atlanta-Pittsburgh-Luxembourg-Doha route will connect Pittsburgh with European markets via Qatar Airways' European hub in Luxembourg, and also help to connect businesses in Asia and the Middle East through its home base in Doha, Qatar.

Barry Nassberg, Group Chief Commercial Officer of WFS, the world's largest cargo handler, said: "We are delighted to be continuing to grow our international services for Qatar Airways and to be awarded this contract to support its latest new freighter route to and from the U.S. The WFS team in

Pittsburgh is committed to ensuring Qatar Airways and its cargo customers receive the highest standards of security, safety and quality of service."

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### About WFS

Founded in 1971 and headquartered in Paris, WFS ([www.wfs.aero](http://www.wfs.aero)) is the world's largest air cargo handler and one of the leading providers of ground handling and technical services with annual revenues of over EUR1 billion. Its 18,000 employees serve over 300 airlines at 195 major airports in 21 countries on five continents.