

## **Accenture Offers Air Cargo Software As-A-Service with New Features for More Flexible Operations**

Air Cargo Suite 6.5 helps carriers improve workflow efficiency and reduce revenue leakage

NEW YORK; May 5, 2015 – Accenture (NYSE: ACN) released a new version of its [Air Cargo Suite](#) software with advanced capabilities that can help air cargo carriers become more flexible, competitive and efficient through streamlined operations and data integration. The entire suite is now also available for delivery as a service, enabling carriers of all sizes to take advantage of a robust cargo management solution while retaining the agility and cost benefits of SaaS.

Delivering Accenture Air Cargo software as a service, including Reservations, Routing, Price and Operations software, provides a cost-effective, simplified way to improve workflows and help reduce revenue leakage with a scalable, low-risk solution. The new delivery model is especially helpful for small and midsize air cargo carriers who are often faced with fewer in-house resources to focus on technology.

New and enhanced functionality within the Accenture Air Cargo Suite includes streamlined planning and management of the cargo process, from initial quote to delivery. This includes:

- New flight planning capabilities for easier planning of flights by allowing users to offload, re-assign and handle priority shipment in the best possible manner to enhance flight utilization and revenue.
- Air waybill control features to control invoice accuracy. The AWB control capability automates the billing process and monitors reconciliation of shipment details at multiple stages. A built-in workflow process offers the flexibility to configure a reconciliation mechanism and verify that the correct rates and charges are applied to each shipment.
- Product definition that empowers customer service officers to more easily upsell additional products or services. This capability provides visibility of all relevant value-added services for easy reference.

Additional enhancements have reduced the total turnaround time to create a quote, with better visibility on available routes and rates options. Additionally, improvements to partner flight management capabilities give carriers more flexibility and control in sharing flights.

“Technology is turning some of cargo carriers’ greatest challenges – data transparency, process visibility and revenue leakage – into growth opportunities,” said Malcolm McNamara, global managing director of Accenture Freight and Logistics Software. “Providing SaaS delivery options for Accenture Air Cargo Suite and new features will help carriers align processes around pricing, booking, capacity, routes and costs, ultimately driving profitability.”