

American Eagle Announces Ed Criner to Oversee O'Hare Operations, Pedro Fabregas to Become President of Executive Airlines

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American Eagle today announced changes in leadership at its San Juan-based Executive Airlines operation in which Ed Criner, Executive's current president, will return mainland to oversee one of American Eagle's largest operations at Chicago O'Hare airport, and Pedro Fabregas, Vice President - Finance and Planning for Executive, will become President - Executive Airlines.

"I'd like to personally thank Ed for his leadership and contributions to our San Juan operation over the past two years," said Peter M. Bowler, American Eagle President and CEO. "Ed's interest in the people of Executive, Puerto Rico and the entire Caribbean region -- combined with his broad experience in the airline business -- enabled him to lead a substantial improvement in Executive's operational performance. Ed is a seasoned and professional airline executive with an understanding of every aspect of this complicated and challenging business. We are fortunate to have enjoyed the benefit of this leadership in San Juan and to call up on it again to lead one of our large operations in Chicago."

Fabregas, a 25-year industry veteran, joined American Airlines in 1983 and quickly progressed through a number of management positions within the operation, including Passenger Service, Ramp Service and Facilities Maintenance. He moved to Executive Airlines in 1998 as Director - Finance and Administration, and has since contributed in a variety of roles, including Director - Sales, Marketing and Planning.

In 2005, Fabregas was selected by the Senate of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as one of the most important business leaders in Puerto Rico.

"Pedro Fabregas is an excellent executive. He is passionate about the success of Executive Airlines and the growth of travel and tourism in Puerto Rico and the Caribbean. Pedro has tremendous energy and integrity and strives every day to provide safe, quality service to our customers, to motivate our people and to improve the profitability of our company. Pedro will not only be a great leader for Executive Airlines, he will be a great advocate for Puerto Rico and the region," said Bowler.

A native of San Juan, Fabregas holds a Bachelors degree in Administration from the University of the Sacred Heart and a Masters degree in Business Administration from the University of Miami School of Business.

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