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Canada Jetlines picks Halifax Stanfield to be its Eastern base

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VANCOUVER — Canada Jetlines has set its sights on Canada's east coast by selecting Halifax Stanfield International Airport (YHZ) as its eastern operational base.

As such, the ultra-low cost carrier (ULCC) will offer ultra-low fare service from the airport when it begins flight operations next summer.

"We are pleased to announce the selection of Halifax Stanfield International Airport as our eastern operations base. Halifax is the leading airport of the Atlantic provinces and we look forward to lowering the cost of air travel to and from Atlantic Canada with our ultra-low fares," said Stan Gadek, CEO of Jetlines stated.

This announcement marks the third airport that Jetlines has agreed to terms with, in addition to Hamilton, ON and Abbotsford, B.C.

Bert van der Stege, Chief Commercial Officer at YHZ added: "We're delighted that Canada Jetlines has selected Halifax Stanfield as one of their first airports in the country. Experience has shown that the model of low-cost and low-fare travel stimulates demand and we look forward to offering passengers more travel options between Atlantic Canada, Hamilton and Abbotsford."

Canada Jetlines is set to become Canada's first ULCC airline, with plans to operate flights across Canada as well as nonstop service from Canada to the United States, Mexico and the Caribbean. During a teleconference in September, Gadek said fares would be "about the same price as a pair of jeans" and announced a "low-fare guarantee" that promises Canadians the lowest fares in the market.

Ticket sales will begin through its website at jetlines.ca in Spring 2018.