ELEVATOR AND ESCALATOR FACT SHEET

Elevators and escalators safely move more people than any other form of transportation. In the U.S. people travel more than 2.55 billion miles on elevators and escalators each year. That is more than the total rail and air miles traveled combined, or 1/2 of all highway trips per year.

ELEVATOR FACTS:
- There are more than 1.03 million elevators in the United States, which is up from 900,000 in 2007.
  - California has the most elevators at over 145,000.
- Each elevator carries 20,000 people per year (20 people x 4 trips = 80 people x 250 days).
- Elevators in the United States make 20.6 billion passenger trips per year.
- Globally, 590,000 elevators were installed in 2016; 40,000 of those were in North America.
- There is 1 elevator for every 317 riders in the U.S.
- The average number of landings in buildings across the U.S. is 4, with Hawaii with the highest average of landings at 8.

ESCALATOR FACTS:
- There are 56,000 escalators in North America.
- Each hour, 3,000 people ride an escalator.
- 105 billion passengers ride escalators each year in the United States.