



# Midcounties Co-operative Travel Welcomes CAA Accredited Body Approval

/EINPresswire.com/ UK (submitpressrelease123.com - press release) The Midcounties [Co-op Travel](#) has welcomed news of its confirmation as an Accredited Body by the CAA.

Alistair Rowland, Group General Manager, Travel Services, said: "We are delighted we have met the CAA's criteria and have gained Accredited Body status. It is an important endorsement for our expanding business and recognition that our procedures are all in place.

"The accreditation is good news too for our consortium and will highlight its attractions for other members who wish to join us.

"Our customers are confident that the holidays they buy from us – whether through our branches, homeworkers or web business – are covered by the ATOL scheme and are fully protected. Accredited Body status reinforces our commitment to that financial protection and the UK ATOL scheme."

A spokesman for ATOL, said: "Midcounties Co-operative Travel is the seventh travel organiser to be confirmed as an accredited body, and the CAA would like to thank them for their close co-operation during the approval process."

Midcounties has embarked on a strategy of rapid growth as it aims to become the leading independent travel retailer in the UK, with co-operative values at its core.

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## Notes to Editors

The Midcounties Co-operative has been named 'Co-operative of the Year 2012', recognised for its excellence, innovation and ethics in business by Co-operatives UK.

It has headquarters in Warwickshire, with trading outlets in Oxfordshire, Gloucestershire, Wiltshire, Shropshire, West Midlands, Worcestershire and the surrounding counties.

The Society's trading groups are food retail, funeral, travel, pharmacy, childcare nurseries, employee benefits and energy. Midcounties is the largest independent co-operative society in

the UK and has more than 470 branches and 245,000 active trading members. It is also in 'The Sunday Times Best 25 Big Companies to Work For' list for the second year running.

The Society's mission statement is 'To be a successful consumer co-operative working towards creating a better, fairer world, and to enhance the lives of our colleagues, members, customers, and the communities we serve'.

#### About Co-op Travel

Co-operative Travel offer a variety of holidays, flights and hotels. They are providers of great holidays such as [late ski deals in 2013](#) and much more!

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