



**Australian Government**

**Department of Infrastructure, Transport,  
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Mr Dilip Mathew  
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Dear Mr Mathew

I refer to your letter dated 10 June 2009 regarding an application by Pacific Wings Pty Ltd (Pacific Wings) for an allocation of capacity on both the France (Route 3 - New Caledonia) and New Zealand route, in which you sought advice on whether the Department considers that Pacific Wings is reasonably capable of obtaining the designation, licensing and operational approvals necessary to operate scheduled services on these routes.

Pacific Wings applied for an International Airline Licence on 2 June 2009. Assessment of the application has commenced and I have requested further information from Pacific Wings. Until this additional information is received I cannot give an unqualified assurance at this time that Pacific Wings would be reasonably capable of obtaining the designation, licensing and operational approvals necessary to operate services on the specified routes.

I understand that Pacific Wings will be providing services by means of an aircraft wet-leased from Our Airline. While Our Airline does hold a current Transport Security Program and Air Operator's Certificate, it has not yet obtained approval for the necessary amendments in order to operate these services from the Office of Transport Security and the Civil Aviation Safety Authority respectively.

If you require any further information in this matter, please contact Mr Samuel Lucas, Section Head Bilateral Aviation, on 02 6274 6532.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen Borthwick".

Stephen Borthwick  
General Manager  
Aviation Industry Policy  
2 July 2009