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Mr Michael Bird
Executive Director
International Air Services Commission
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Dear Mr Bird *Mike*

Application for Capacity Allocation – Thailand Route

Qantas' wholly-owned subsidiary company Jetstar Airways (Jetstar) plans to add two additional services between Sydney and Phuket in periods of peak demand throughout the year.

The services will be operated using a one-class A330 aircraft configured with 303 seats.

Allocation Sought

Qantas seeks an allocation of 1.4 Boeing 747-400 equivalent units on the Thailand Route on the following basis:

- the allocation is requested for a period of five years from the date of the determination;
- the capacity may be utilised by Qantas or another Australian carrier which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Qantas; and
- the capacity may be used to provide joint services with Qantas or any wholly-owned subsidiary of the Qantas Group.



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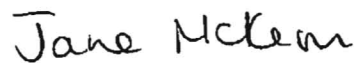
IASC Act and Policy Statement Considerations

This application should be considered against the general criteria for assessing the benefit to the public in paragraph 4 of the Minister's Policy Statement.

These state that the use of entitlements by an Australian carrier under a bilateral arrangement is of benefit to the public, provided that it is reasonably capable of obtaining the necessary approvals and implementing the proposal.

We would be pleased to provide any further information the Commission may require in support of this application.

Yours sincerely



Jane McKeon
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