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Ms Marlene Tucker  
Executive Director  
International Air Services Commission  
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Dear Ms Tucker

*Marlene*

### **Application for allocation of capacity – Fiji route**

Virgin Australia Airlines (SE Asia) Pty Ltd (Virgin Australia) wishes to apply for an allocation of capacity on the Fiji route. This capacity will be used for additional services between Australia and Fiji, operated with either B737 or A330 aircraft.

### **Allocation sought on the Fiji route**

Virgin Australia is seeking an allocation of 242 seats per week on the Fiji route, on the basis that:

- the capacity will be utilised by Virgin Australia;
- the allocation is granted for a period of five years from the date of the determination; and
- the allocation will be fully utilised by 31 July 2018.

### **IASC Act and Policy Statement Considerations**

We request that the Commission consider this application against the general criteria for assessing the benefit to the public in Paragraph 4 of the Minister's Policy Statement.

The Paragraph 4 criteria provide that the use of entitlements by an Australian carrier under a bilateral air services agreement is of benefit to the public, provided that the carrier is reasonably capable of obtaining the necessary approvals and implementing the proposal.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 8093 7114.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lee-Anne Tomkins".

Lee-Anne Tomkins  
**Head of Government and International Relations**