

Australian Government

International Air Services Commission

[2014] IASC R06 (15 August 2014) Pionair Australia Pty Ltd (Pionair)

The following Interim Determinations allocate freight capacity in favour of Pionair:

- [2013] IASC 129 dated 29 July 2013 allocating 18 tonnes of freight capacity per week on the Papua New Guinea (PNG) route; and
- [2013] IASC 128 dated 19 August 2013 allocating one all-cargo service per week with capacity up to 28 tonnes on the Australia-France Route 3 (New Caledonia route).

Both interim determinations include a condition requiring Pionair to utilise the capacity on each of the routes from no later than 31 December 2013, or from such other date approved by the International Air Services Commission (the Commission)

Upon the request of Pionair, the Commission, through two resolutions, extended the date of utilisation of the capacity on both routes to 24 March 2014 and subsequently to 14 July 2014, or from such other date approved by the Commission.

On 11 August 2014, Pionair requested a further extension of the date of utilisation of its capacity on both routes. The airline provided information and documents, marked 'not for public record', to support its request.

The Commission is satisfied that the causes of the delay of commencement of utilisation of the capacity allocations are beyond Pionair's control. In light of this, the Commission resolves ([2014] IASC R06) to grant an extension of time for the utilisation of capacity by Pionair on the PNG and New Caledonia routes.

Pionair must fully utilise the capacity allocated on the PNG and New Caledonia routes, pursuant to Interim Determination [2013] IASC 129 and Interim Determination [2013] IASC 128, from no later than 7 November 2014 or such other date approved by the Commission.