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Mr Michael Bird Executive Director International Air Services Commission GPO Box 630 Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Mr Bird

Application for Capacity Allocation - United States Route

Strategic Airlines Pty Ltd ACN 131 128 571 (Strategic Airlines) is seeking an allocation of capacity to operate services between Australia and United States from September 2011.

# **Designated Australian Carrier**

Strategic Airlines contends that it presently satisfies the necessary requirements of a Designated Australian Carrier, given that the issued capital is owned by one Australian national and the company is therefore substantially owned and controlled by Australians. In addition, Strategic Airlines' has the operational capacity to implement services to the US and is an established carrier on other international routes to and from Australia.

### **Allocation Sought**

Strategic Airlines seeks an allocation of the unlimited passenger capacity available to designated Australian carriers to operate between Australia and the United States.

Such allocation will be fully utilised by 31 August 2012 and is requested for a ten year period from the date of determination.

### **Legislative and Policy Considerations**

It is acknowledged that 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. Strategic Airlines contends that its use of this allocated capacity will clearly provide a benefit to the public, and addresses the criteria stipulated in the Minister's Policy Statement.

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