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Dear Ms Arblaster,

IATA Submission on the ACCC's Preliminary View on the Draft Pricing Notification of Airservices Australia for Aviation Rescue and Fire Fighting Services

Thank you for inviting IATA to make its submission on the ACCC's preliminary view on the Draft Pricing Proposal of Airservices Australia (Airservices) for Aviation Rescue and Fire Fighting Services.

IATA notes that the ACCC has taken the views expressed by the airline industry into consideration in formulating the preliminary view. In particular, IATA notes that the ACCC has determined that there may be merit in adopting alternative weight thresholds at airports where there is scope for the application of the 15.1 tonne threshold to provide some operators under the threshold with a competitive advantage.

IATA also notes that ACCC is of the view that the traffic levels should be addressed as part of the long-term risk sharing arrangements that are currently being addressed by Airservices.

Therefore, IATA has no further comments on the ACCC's preliminary view on the Draft Pricing Proposal of Airservices Australia (Airservices) for Aviation Rescue and Fire Fighting Services.

We thank the ACCC for giving this opportunity to IATA to provide the international airline industry views to the consultation process.

Yours sincerely,

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