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**Sent:** Monday, 25 May 2020 11:20 AM  
**To:** Neville Howell  
**Cc:** Lim Kim Hai (Singapore); Warrick Lodge; Irwin Tan; Company Secretary; Ward, Sophie; Channing, Darrell  
**Subject:** Application for authorisation AA1000478 - update on consultation [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]  
**Attachments:** Submission by Kangaroo Island Council - 30.04.20 - PR - AA1000478 - Rex.pdf; Submission by Armidale Regional Council - 11.05.20 - PR - AA1000478 - Rex.pdf; Submission by Dubbo Regional Council - 11.05.20 - PR - AA1000478 - Rex.pdf; Submission by the Australian Airports Association - 21.05.20 - PR - AA1000478 - Rex.pdf; Update from Qantas - 18.05.20 - PR - A1000478 - Rex.pdf

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Dear Neville,

**Re: Regional Express Pty Ltd – application for authorisation AA1000478**

I refer to the above application and write to provide you with an update on the ACCC's initial public consultation process.

The initial period for public consultation has closed and the ACCC has received submissions from the following interested parties:

- Armidale Regional Council
- Australian Airlines Association
- Dubbo City Regional Airport
- Kangaroo Island Council

We also received an update from the Qantas Group in response to our [request dated 5 May 2020](#) (**attached**). All submissions are also available on the [ACCC's public register](#) for this application.

If Regional Express Pty Ltd wishes to comment on the attached submissions, please provide a response by **COB, Monday 15 June 2020**.

I note that given the current circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic, we are taking a more flexible approach to consultation than normal and providing extensions to consultation periods upon specific request from an interested party. We will notify you if any further submissions are received in relation to this application.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me on the number below.

Kind regards,

Isabelle

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