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Dear Mr Channing

Re: A91227 & A91228

We would like to take this opportunity to provide comment to the recent request for submissions from the ACCC relating to Virgin Blue Airlines Pty Ltd & ors applications for authorisation A91127 and A91128 – interested party consultation.

Gold Coast Airport generally supports the proposed action by Virgin Blue and Air New Zealand seeking authorisation to make, and give effect to, the Australasian Airline Alliance Agreement, an associated Code Share Agreement and proposed related agreements which are contemplated by the Alliance Agreement.

The issues Gold Coast Airport has with the proposed Airline Alliance Agreement is ensuring there is not lost capacity as a result of the agreement.

Gold Coast Airport believes this agreement may in fact increase capacity into Australian airports and feels the positive economic impact created is an important factor in the consideration by the ACCC.

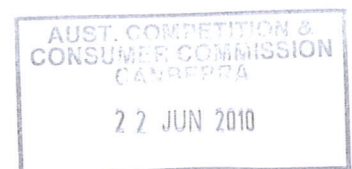
Both Air New Zealand and Virgin Blue currently provide direct services to Gold Coast Airport from New Zealand. Virgin Blue also provides direct Australian domestic services into Gold Coast Airport.

Gold Coast Airport acknowledges this submission will be placed on the ACCC's public register.

If you have any queries about this submission please do not hesitate to contact me on (07) 5589 1195 or via email - pdonovan@gcal.com.au.

Yours sincerely

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