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From: Eugene Law [mailto:

Sent: Wednesday, 6 July 2011 11:28 AM To: McGinness, Clare

Subject: ACCC - Virgin Australia & Singapore Airlines

Hi Claire,

I refer to the above letter received by Tourism WA. Firstly, thank you for giving Tourism WA an opportunity to provide a comment on this.

Secondly, from a tourism perspective, we strongly support such an alliance as such closer business partnership will generate greater access for travellers into Australia domestic ports via Virgin Australia for global passengers travelling on Singapore Airlines. Likewise, Australian residents will now have greater and seamless access to global destinations through services on DJ and SQ, via such an alliance.

Australia and Singapore already have an open-skies agreement, which does not have capacity inhibitions on any carrier who wishes to increase or launch new services, so we do not envisage this alliance would cause detrimental competition on the Australia-Singapore services.

Lastly, appreciate if you could update the register to reflect myself as the future correspondence contact for Tourism WA, as Gavin is no longer with us.

Thank you.

Eugene Law Director Aviation Development

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