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Dear Sir/Madam

Qantas Limited and Jetstar Pty Ltd application for revocation of authorisations A91314 & A91315 and substitution of new authorisations A91600 & A91601 – interested party consultation

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) is currently conducting a consultation process on an application for re-authorisation (application for revocation and substitution) received from Qantas and Jetstar on 12 September 2017.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you, as a potentially interested party, to comment on the application. Please see the ACCC's publication [Authorisation process – the basics](#) for a summary of the authorisation process and how to make a submission to the ACCC.

Application for re-authorisation

The application for re-authorisation relates to coordination involving Qantas, Jetstar, the Jetstar branded low cost carriers, and as applicable, the Jetstar joint venture full service airline shareholders (Vietnam Airlines and Japan Airlines). These arrangements were authorised by the ACCC for five years in March 2013 (A91314 & A91315). Re-authorisation has been sought for a period of ten years.

Under the arrangements, Qantas and Jetstar propose to continue to coordinate all network, scheduling, pricing, marketing, purchasing, customer service and resourcing decisions between:

- Qantas, Jetstar Airways, Jetstar Asia, Jetstar Pacific and Jetstar Japan
- Jetstar Japan and Japan Airlines
- A Jetstar joint venture, its local partner airline and any other airline in the Jetstar Group to the extent they overlap or potentially overlap.

A copy of the application is available on the ACCC's website www.acc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister.

Request for submissions

The ACCC invites you to make a submission on the likely public benefits and effect on competition, or any other public detriment, from the proposed arrangements.

Further, the ACCC invites you to outline your general experience of the coordination arrangement during the term of the previous authorisation. The ACCC would also welcome your views on the public benefits and detriments you consider have actually resulted from the coordination during the previous authorisation period.

Submissions should be provided by **10 October 2017**. Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@acc.gov.au with the subject "A91600 & A91601 – Qantas Limited and Jetstar Pty Ltd– submission".

Submissions will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's publication: [Guidelines for excluding information from the public register](#).

Timetable

The ACCC will progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An indicative timetable is set out below for your information

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| 12 September 2017 | Lodgement of application and supporting submission. |
| 20 September 2017 | Public consultation process begins. |
| 10 October 2017 | Closing date for submissions from interested parties. |
| October 2017 | Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process. |
| November 2017 | Draft determination. |
| November/December 2017 | Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called. |
| February 2018 | Final determination. |

Please advise if you do not wish to make a submission at this time, but would like to be informed of the progress of the application at the draft and final determination stages. If you are able to, please provide a nominated contact email address for future correspondence.

You can also forward this letter to any other party who may wish to make a submission to the ACCC regarding the applications.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Luke Griffin on 6243 1114 or adjudication@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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Director
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APPENDIX A: LIST OF INTERESTED PARTIES

Airlines

Aerolineas Argentinas

Air China

Air Mauritius

Air New Zealand

AirAsia X

British Airways

Cathay Pacific Airways

China Airlines

China Southern Airlines

China Eastern

Emirates

Ethihad Airways

Jumpjet Airlines Limited

Singapore Airlines Ltd

LAN Airlines

Malaysia Airlines

Qatar Airlines

Regional Express (Rex)

Solomon Airlines

Tiger Airways Australia Pty Limited

United Airlines

Virgin Australia

Delta Air Lines, Inc

Hawaiian Air

Industry Associations and Unions

Australian & International Pilots Association

Australian Airports Association (AAA)

Australian Federation of Travel Agents

Australian Industry Group

Australian Tourism Export Council

National Tourism Alliance

Transport Workers Union of Australia

Regional Aviation Association of Australia (RAAA)

Transport Workers Union

Virgin International Pilots Association

Australian Licenced Aircraft Engineers Association

Australian Services Union

Board of Airline Representatives of Australia

Catering

Alpha Flight Services

AVIA Flight Services

Executive Gourmet

Gate Gourmet

Fuel Supplier

Caltex

ExxonMobil Aviation

Ground Handling Provider

Aero-Care

Gate Aviation

Menzies Aviation

Patrick Air Services

Toll Data

Wymap Group

Other Interested Parties

Centre for Asia Pacific Aviation

CHOICE

Consolidated Travel Group

Consumer Action Law Centre

Consumers' Federation of Australia

Fed Ex

K.I.S.S. Travel International

Tour Hosts Pty Limited

AVIA Flight Services

Australian & International Pilots Association

Australian Transport Safety Bureau

International Air Services Commission

National Tourism Alliance

Departments Organisations and Ministers

Airservices Australia

Australian Transport Safety Bureau (ATSB)

Bureau of Meteorology

Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA)

Department of Infrastructure and Regional
Development

International Air Services Commission

Tourism Australia

Tourism NSW

Tourism Queensland

Tourism Victoria

Tourism WA

Tourism South Australia

Tourism NT

Airports

Adelaide Airport

Hobart Airport

Australia Pacific Airports (Melbourne) Pty
Ltd

Brisbane Airport Corporation Limited

Canberra Airport

Melbourne Airport

Northern Territory Airports Pty Ltd

Perth Airport Pty Ltd

Queensland Airports Limited

Sydney Airport

Sydney Airport Corporation Limited

Airport Coordination Australia (ACA)