



26 May 2017

Ms. Marlene Tucker  
Executive Director  
International Air Services Commission  
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Dear ~~Ms. Tucker~~,

**Application for Allocation of Freight Capacity – China Route**

Pacific Air Express seeks to continue its development of trade routes using dedicated freighter aircraft by introducing a scheduled freighter service which will link northern Australia and the south west Pacific region with China.

The proposed service will operate between Brisbane and Guangzhou using Boeing 757-200F aircraft with 32 tonnes freight capacity. Commencement of this service is planned for mid-November 2017.

**Freight allocation sought on the China route**

Under the current air services arrangements between Australia and China there are no limitations in relation to capacity or aircraft type for dedicated cargo services between Australia and China.

Accordingly, Pacific Air Express seeks an allocation of unlimited freight capacity on the China route. The allocation will be fully utilized at the commencement of services in mid-November 2017.

We request the allocation be granted for a term of five years from the date of the Determination.

**IASC Act and Policy Statement considerations**

We request the Commission's consideration of this application against the general criteria for assessing the benefit to the public in Paragraph 4 of the Minister's Policy Statement.

The Paragraph 4 criteria provide that the use of entitlements by an Australian carrier under a bilateral air services agreement is of benefit to the public, provided that the carrier is reasonably capable of obtaining the necessary approvals and implementing the proposal.

We would be pleased to provide any further information in support of this application if requested.

Yours sincerely

Gary Clifford  
Managing Director