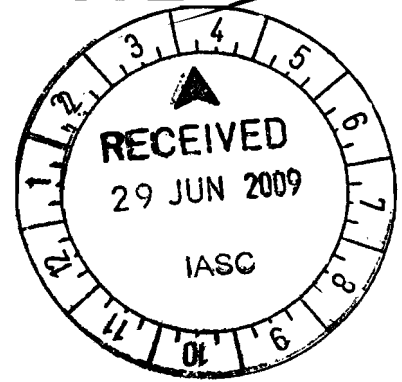




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Mr Michael Bird  
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Dear ~~Mr Bird~~ *Mike*

**Application for Capacity Allocation – Fiji**

Pacific Blue Airlines (Aust) has received from the Commission through various Determinations allocations of capacity for services operated between Australia and Fiji. Pacific Blue seeks a further Determination which would permit it to operate unlimited capacity between points in Australia, other than Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth, and authorised points in Fiji. The capacity allocated to Pacific Blue will be operated using 180 seat B737-800 aircraft.

- The capacity will be utilised by Pacific Blue Airlines (Aust)
- The allocation is requested for a period of five years from the date of the Determination of the Commission.
- Capacity will be utilised progressively from the date of the Commission's Determination

**IASC Act and Policy Statement Considerations**

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

Yours sincerely

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