STRATEGIC

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Mr Michael Bird Executive Director International Air Services Commission GPO Box 630 Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Mr Bird Mike

Application for Capacity Allocation – Thailand Route

Strategic Airlines is seeking an allocation of capacity to operate services between Australia and Thailand from February 2011.

Allocation Sought

Strategic seeks an allocation of the equivalent of $4.2 \times B747$ aircraft each week on the Thailand route. This is based on six (6) frequencies per week with a two-class, 274-seat Airbus A330.

The allocation will be fully utilised by 31 December 2011 and is requested for a five year period from the date of determination.

Legislative and Policy Considerations

It is acknowledged that this application should be considered 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.

Yours sincerely

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