



Department for Planning and Infrastructure
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Review of Intrastate Air Services

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Legislative Basis for Review

Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

- **Transport Coordination Act 1966**
- **Transport Coordination Regulations 1985**



Regulation / Competition

- **Current regulation regulates airports**
- **Four levels of state regulation**
 - Deregulated airports
 - Regulated airports
 - Protected air routes
 - Subsidised air routes
- **Competition Policy**
 - Optimal – deregulation and / or direct subsidies
 - Sub-Optimal – competition through networks and licences



History

- **Collapse of Ansett**
- **Review and Reports 2002, 2004**
- **Two regulated networks**
 - “Coastal”
 - “Northern Goldfields”
- **Operating licences expire 31 December 2008**



Review Process

- **Review of regulated networks cannot be undertaken in isolation**
- **Stakeholder Briefings 4/12 March**
- **Formation of Steering Committee**
- **Regional Airport Briefings**
- **Submissions to Review for inclusion in the Issues Paper (by 18 April)**
- **Today's Seminar**
- **Submissions to Review (by 31 May)**



Review Analysis

- **Analysis of all inputs**
 - Submissions
 - Today's Seminar
 - Facilitated consultations
- **Development of Options**
- **Further consultations**
- **Development of Recommendations**



Minister's Consideration

- **Presentation of recommendations to the Minister**
- **Minister's determination**
- **Implementation of an Action Plan to ensure a smooth transition from today's air services regulation regime to the post 2008 regime.**



Today's Seminar

- **Stakeholders' opportunity to inform and influence the State's air services industry.**
- **Enabling session of short presentations from stakeholder groups.**
- **Broad issues posed as questions presented for the facilitated discussions.**
- **Facilitates understanding between all stakeholders.**
- **Seeks common agreement on issues of contention and options for the way forward.**



Further Opportunity to Contribute to the Review

The opportunity to input to the Review through the form of submissions or discussions with the Review Team is available to 31 May.