







# regional express value statement

What does it profit a company if it gains the whole world and loses its soul

### **COMPANY**

Staff members are part of the Rex family. This comes with both privileges and responsibilities.

We expect every staff member to take ownership of issues encountered:

- Ownership means that if something is wrong then it is everyone's job to fix it.
- Matters that cannot be handled by the staff member ought to be pursued further with senior management.
- Staff have the right to make mistakes if they act in the best interest of the customer and the company.

We strive to be a learning organization where we actively seek to identify issues no matter how small in order to continually transform ourselves to a better organization.

- This entails a culture where issues are highlighted as learning experiences even though they may place our colleagues in a had light
- An excellent airline is one that is outstanding in a thousand small ways.

We believe that we can only count on ourselves for our continued success:

- All staff members must embrace the 'can do' and 'will do' spirit that has been the defining characteristic of our initial success.
- Hard work is the cornerstone of our work ethic.
- All staff share in the profits and so all staff are expected to contribute his/her fair share.

We value open communication and will strive to create an environment that removes barriers to communication:

- Staff members have a right to be heard regardless of their position
- Staff members are encouraged to contact directly the members of the Management Committee and Board if they see the need.

We respect the dignity of each staff member and will treat each other with respect and fairness:

- The customer does not always come first and we will stand by our staff member if the customer is unreasonable.
- While we can be single-minded in tackling issues and problems, we will focus on the issue and not the person.
- We accept that staff members may have different talents and capabilities and will strive to fit the job to the person rather than the other way around.
- Important decisions concerning staff matters are always referred to the Management Committee to ensure transparency, fairness and consistency.

We are committed to standing behind our staff members and their families and will do all we can to help them in their times of special need:

- We believe in the value of the family and will strive to create a working environment that is supportive of the family.
- All staff members have the right to appeal to the Management Committee if special assistance or consideration is needed.

### CUSTOME

We are committed to providing our customers with safe and reliable air transportation with heartfelt hospitality.

As a regional carrier, we constantly strive to keep fares low through our commitment to simplicity, efficiency and good value.

We are committed to treating our customers as individuals and will respond to all their comments and complaints.

### CONTRACTORS

We believe that our suppliers are partners in our business.

In all our dealings with suppliers we will seek to be fair and honest and will strive to work only with like-minded suppliers.

### COMMUNITY

Rex is mindful of the tremendous social and economic impact its services have on the regional communities and works in partnership with these communities to balance their needs against Rex commercial imperatives.

We are also committed to giving back to the regional communities by supporting worthwhile charitable causes which are focused on helping the less fortunate.

We are committed to preserving the environment to the measure of our capabilities.

### CAPITAL

Rex believes that its shareholders' interest is best served by pursuing a path of steady but sustainable growth of its earnings.

We believe that maximizing shareholders' returns in the long term is not incompatible with our duties and responsibilities towards our other stakeholders outlined above.

# foreword

# THE BEST IS YET TO BE

Just like a broken record, I need to remark once again (as I have done for the last four years) that the year under review continued to be extremely challenging with fuel prices spiralling out of control. To make matters worse, this year we were also hit with several climatic catastrophes from cyclones and floods to volcanic ash which saw an unprecedented voluntary shutdown of large areas of airspace over several days in Rex's network in South Australia, Victoria, Tasmania and New South Wales.

Rex is not spared from the aftermath of these external forces and we see its Group Profit Before Tax (PBT) declining some 8% to \$24.1M and a steeper decline in Profit After Tax of 28.5% due to the discontinuation of tax incentives set in place the prior FY. This weak performance underscores the extreme fragility of the aviation environment in Australia where we see Virgin Australia forecasting a loss for the second time and Qantas continuing to struggle with net returns on revenue of only 1.7%.

Yet in spite of these sobering results, I am actually more optimistic and confident of the outlook and potential of the Rex Group than I have ever been for the past nine years. The deep restructuring of Rex's subsidiary Pel-Air, which started two years ago, is now almost complete. In these two years we saw Pel-Air's PBT dry up from \$5M to almost nothing in this reporting period. But this has been well worth the effort as Pel-Air has emerged a stronger, more viable and more sustainable company with strong businesses in Fly-in / Fly-out mining charters, Air Ambulance, Freight and Defence that will, I believe, propel it to record profitability within the next two years.

Rex's other subsidiary, the Australian Airline Pilot Academy (AAPA) is also now poised to take off after receiving accreditation from the General Civil Aviation Authority of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to conduct the flight training for the Multi-Crew Pilot License (MPL). AAPA welcomed the first batch of cadets from the UAE in early August 2011 and expects to train over 60 of their cadets in this FY. With the current world-wide demand for new pilots estimated at 20,000 a year, AAPA is well positioned to contribute strong earning streams in the coming years.

And as if to give us external validation, I have just received word that Rex has been ranked as the Top Performing Regional Airline in the world an unprecedented third consecutive year by the authoritative Aviation Week and Science Technology. While the economic turmoil in the USA and Europe is as threatening as ever, at Rex we approach the new FY with a certain amount of confidence, serenity and even excitement.

Lim Kim Hai Executive Chairman 24 August 2011

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# corporate information

This annual report covers the consolidated entity comprising Regional Express Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries.

The Group's functional and presentation currency is AUD (\$).

### **Directors**

Lim Kim Hai The Hon. John Sharp James Davis Chris Hine Lee Thian Soo Ronald Bartsch Russell Hodge David Miller

# Company Secretaries

Irwin Tan Benjamin Ng

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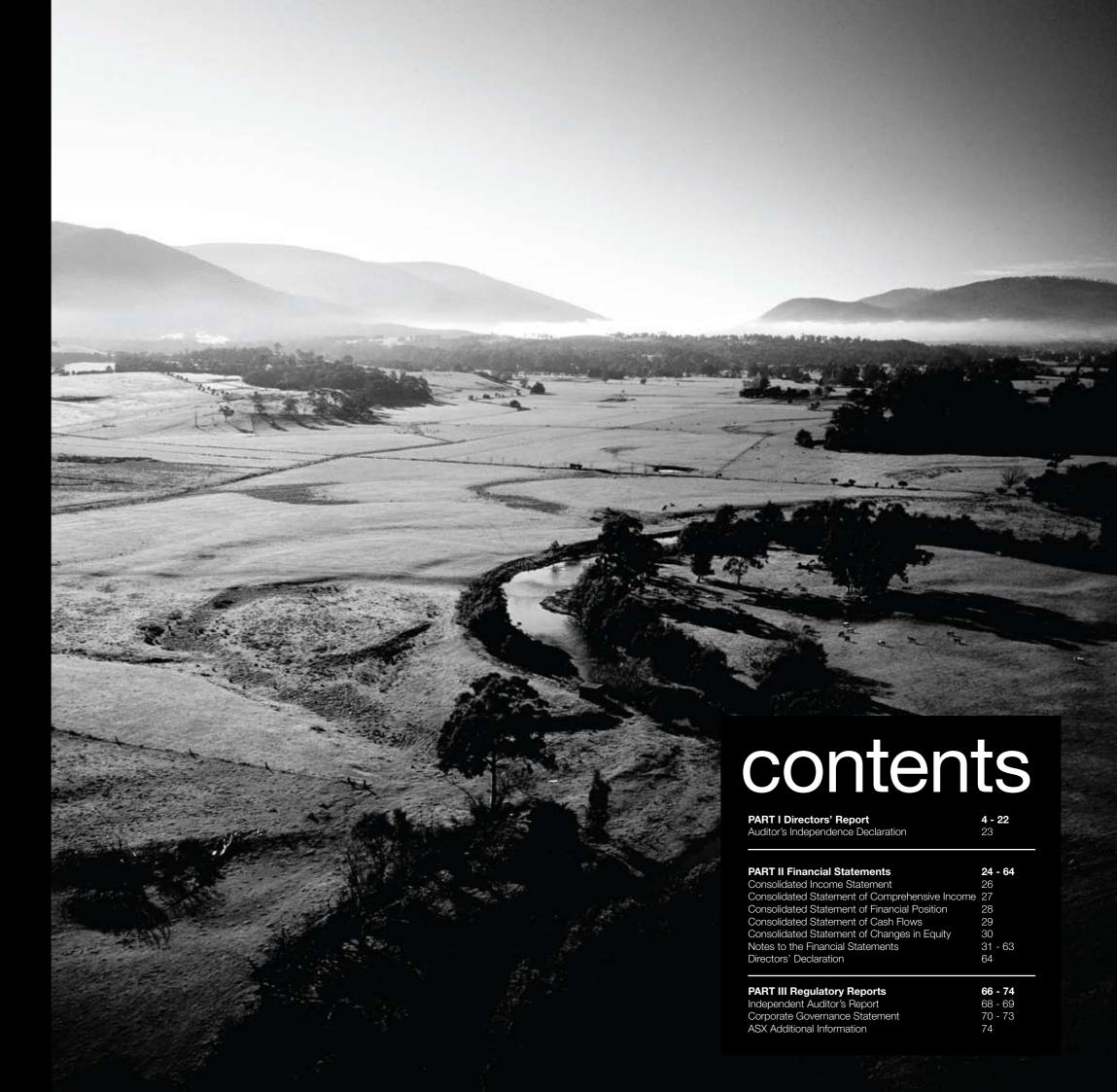
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### **Bankers**

Westpac Banking Corporation

### **Auditors**

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu



directors' report



In compliance with the provisions of the Corporations Act 2001, the directors of Regional Express Holdings Limited ('Rex') submit herewith the annual report for Rex and its consolidated entities (the 'Group') for the financial year ended 30 June 2011.

The names and particulars of the directors of Rex during or since the end of the financial year are:



### 1. LIM KIM HAI

### **Executive Chairman**

Appointed 27 June 2003 and re-appointed 16 November 2006 and 25 November 2009

Mr. Lim started his career as a Defence Engineer specialising in underwater warfare. After 10 years he left to start his own business. Currently he has a portfolio of investment and business interests in diverse sectors and countries. He is also the Chairman of biomedical company in Singapore, Lynk Biotechnologies Pte Ltd as well as Chairman of WooWorld Pte Ltd, a supplier of mobile games and content to telecommunication companies in Japan and South East Asia.

Mr. Lim obtained his Masters in Electronics Engineering from the prestigious 'Grande Ecoles' engineering colleges in France where he was sent on a French Government scholarship. He later returned to France to complete a Masters of Public Administration at the elite Ecole Nationale d'Administration in Paris on a Singapore Government scholarship. Mr Lim has also a Masters of Business Administration from the National University of Singapore.

Mr. Lim was one of the founding shareholders and directors of Rex.

# 2. THE HON. JOHN SHARP

### **Deputy Chairman and Independent Director**

Appointed 14 April 2005 and re-appointed 19 November 2008

Mr. Davis is a qualified Aeronautical The Honourable John Sharp, originally Engineer and worked for four from a farming and business background, vears with the Civil Aviation Safety is an aviator having been a licensed pilot Authority before obtaining his Air of both fixed wing and rotary wing aircraft. Transport Pilot Licence. Since then Mr. Sharp was a member of the House of he has flown professionally with Representatives of the Commonwealth airlines in Australia and overseas Parliament for 14 years (1984 - 1998). for 26 years accumulating some Mr. Sharp retired from the House of 12,500 flying hours. Upon joining Representatives in 1998 and established Hazelton Airlines in 1999, he his own high level aviation and transport was appointed Flight Operations consulting company, Thenford Consulting. and Standards Manager and Mr. Sharp is a former Chairman of the Deputy Chief Pilot for the airline. Aviation Safety Foundation of Australia, a In 2001, Mr. Davis was promoted director of Australian Aerospace, a whollyto Chief Pilot of Hazelton, and owned subsidiary of European Aeronautics held that position when Hazelton Defence and Space (EADS) representing was merged into, and began Airbus (the aircraft manufacturer of ATR. trading as part of Rex in 2002. Mr. CASA, Eurocopter and Astrium satellites) Davis became Executive General and a director of Skytraders, an air freight Manager Operations in 2003, and and aerial work operation providing subsequently Managing Director services for Australia's Antarctic Division. Operations. Mr. Davis became He is Chairman of Parsons Brinkerhoff Chief of Staff of the Chairman's Advisory Board. This is an engineering and Office in 2007 and was appointed design company operating throughout Managing Director in May 2008. Australia. He is also Chairman of Power Mr. Davis was Chairman of the and Data Corporation Pty Limited and Australian Airline Pilot Academy Chairman of Pel-Air Aviation Ptv Limited. Pty Ltd. and a Director of Rex Mr. Sharp is a Trustee and Board Member Group companies Pel-Air Aviation of John McKeown House, Honorary Pty Ltd and Air Link Pty Ltd. He Federal Treasurer, National Party of also sits on the Board of the Australia and recently retired Chairman of Regional Aviation Association of Winifred West Schools Foundation. He is a member of the University of Wollongong

Vice Chancellor's Advisory Board. Recently

he was appointed a director of the Flight Safety Foundation following his receipt of the Foundation's Presidential Citation for Aviation Safety; the first Australian to receive this award. Mr. Sharp's extensive experience of aviation, regional air services and as the former Federal Minister for Transport and Regional Development in the Federal Government, adds significantly to the expertise and standing of the Board.

### 3. JAMES DAVIS

### **Managing Director** Appointed 26 August 2004 as

Executive Director Appointed Managing Director on 27 May 2008 and retired 1 July 2011

### 4. CHRIS HINE

**Chief Operating Officer** 

Mr. Hine has over 20 years of aviation experience including 15 years as a First Officer and Captain of Metroliner and SAAB 340 aircraft and is a wellaccomplished and knowledgeable instructor. He has been with the Company since its inception in August 2002 and prior to his current role as Chief Operating Officer was General Manager Flight Operations and Chief Pilot. Prior to Rex he worked for Kendell Airlines from 1995 during which time he held various Check and Training Captain positions. currently oversees the Company's operations including flight operations, maintenance control, airport operations and human factors group. Mr. Hine has also had experience as a lecturer in Cockpit Systems Management for the Bachelor of Applied Science (Civil Aviation) degree at the University of South Australia. He is a member of the Rex Management Committee and Chairman of the Australian Airline Pilot Academy Pty Ltd (AAPA).

### 5. LEE THIAN SOO

### **Non-Executive Director** Appointed 27 June 2003 and re-appointed 16 November 2006 and 25 November 2009

Mr. Lee has extensive international Mr. Bartsch has over 30 years business experience and currently experience in the aviation industry in is the Chairman and owner of a variety of senior operational, safety a company supplying specialty and regulatory roles. He was head of medical devices, systems and drugs safety and regulatory compliance for to healthcare institutions in the Asean Qantas Airways' Limited AOC and region. He is also on the board of a manager of the CASA Sydney Airline biomedical company and a mobile/ Transport Field Office. internet gaming company.

Mr. Lee was one of the founding experienced pilot and has extensive shareholders and directors of Rex.

### 6. RONALD BARTSCH

consultant and senior visiting fellow

with the Department of Aviation at

the University of NSW.

### **Independent Director**

**Independent Director** Appointed 9 September 2005 and re-appointed 19 November 2008 Retired 14 June 2011

7. RUSSELL HODGE

Mr. Hodge practiced as a solicitor Mr In addition, Mr. Bartsch is an

legal and regulatory experience. Mr. Bartsch has formal qualifications in law, education, science and is the author of the definitive legal textbook on aviation law. Mr. Bartsch operations of aircraft and airlines. is an international aviation safety

### 8. DAVID MILLER

### **Executive Director, Rex Chief Executive Officer,** Air Link Ptv Ltd

Appointed 28 February 2007 and re-appointed on 15 November 2007 Retired 1 March 2011

Miller commenced flying from 1973 to 1997 and specialised commercially in 1985 and bought in aviation and commercial law. He a 50% share of Air Link which was retired as senior partner of Owen at that time a one-aircraft charter Hodge & Son Solicitors in 1992. business. Between 1985 and 1991 Mr. Hodge, a former CEO of Pel-Air, Mr. Miller purchased all the shares was an executive director of Pel-Air of Air Link Pty Ltd and commenced from November 1994 to March 2008 regular passenger transport services following which he became a non-throughout Western N.S.W. Air executive director. He was previously Link had commercial ties with a director of the Regional Aviation Hazelton Airlines right through until Association of Australia (RAAA). the Ansett collapse in 2001. Mr. He has over 30 years experience Miller has served as a director of in aviation regulation, compliance, the Regional Aviation Association aircraft financing and the commercial of Australia since 1992 along with industry leaders Max Hazelton and Don Kendell and held the position of chairman for four years and vice-chairman for numerous terms of this important industry body. Air Link continues to operate under Mr. Miller's management.

6 REGIONAL EXPRESS HOLDINGS LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT | 7 The names and particulars of the senior management executives of Rex during or since the end of the financial year are:



JAMES DAVIS
Managing Director



CHRIS HINE
Chief Operating Officer



General Manager,
Network Strategy and Sales



IRWIN TAN
General Manager,
Corporate Services



MAYOORAN THANABALASINGHAM

General Manager,
Information Technology

and Communications



GARRY FILMER
General Manager, Engineering



DALE HALL

Maintenance Control Manager

Jim is a member of the Rex Management Committee. A description of his qualifications, skills and experience is included on page 6. Chris is a member of the Rex Management Committee. A description of his qualifications, skills and experience is included on page 6.

Warrick manages a team responsible for scheduling, pricing, revenue management, sales and commercial analysis. His duties include the monitoring of network performance and analysis of both existing and new market opportunities. Warrick has more than 19 years of regional airline experience in the specialised areas of scheduling, pricing and revenue management and held the position of Manager Network Planning with Kendell Airlines, having joined that company in 1992. Warrick has been with Rex since its inception in 2002 and is also a member of the Rex Management Committee.

Irwin's background was originally in genetic research after graduating with first class honours in biotechnology from the University of New South Wales in Sydney. Irwin left the field of genetic research when he joined Morrison Express Logistics in 1999 and then Singapore Airlines in 2001. He was later transferred to Singapore Airlines Cargo as an executive where he took on various appointments in product development, advertising, sales and airline alliances before taking on the role of Regional Marketing Manager in South West Pacific in 2003. Irwin joined Rex in July 2005 and was appointed the Company Secretary on 7 September 2005. Irwin is also a member of the Rex Management Committee.

Mayooran completed his Associate Diploma of Electrical Engineering / Computer Engineering in 2001. He commenced with Rex in April 2004 and leads a team of Information Technology (IT) professionals responsible for ensuring day-to-day operations of the airline. With over 11 years experience and an extensive background in information technology, Mayooran has managed a range of IT projects and initiatives for Rex including the Internet Booking Engine, the Amend Booking Engine and Web check-in. Mayooran is a member of the Rex Management Committee.

Garry is a Licensed Aircraft Maintenance Engineer with over 33 years experience and has been involved in Regional Airline and Maintenance Repair Organization management over the last 17 years, holding positions such as Engineering Manager and General Manager Engineering. Garry joined Rex in 2007 as Engineering Advisor in the Chairman's Office and as a member of the Engineering Management Committee, is involved in the coordination of projects such as the management of Ground Support Equipment, review of Engineering resources and the recruitment of staff. Garry became General Manager, Engineering in June 2008 and is a member of the Rex Management Committee.

Dale has over 30 years of aviation engineering experience. He began his career as an apprentice in the Royal Australian Air Force where he served for nine years. He then spent the next 17 years in the industry working in turbine engine and component overhaul facilities, on and offshore gas and petroleum helicopter industries and maintaining aero-medical charter aircraft. Dale joined Kendell Airlines in 1999 as a Licensed Aircraft Maintenance Engineer and held the position of a Technical Support Engineer with both Kendell and Rex. In late 2006 Dale was appointed as a Maintenance Controller for Rex and took up the position of Maintenance Control Manager in 2007. He is a member of the Rex Management Committee.

# **03 DIRECTORSHIPS OF OTHER LISTED COMPANIES**

During the year under review, no directors appointed as at 30 June 2011 served as a director with any other company listed on the ASX.

# **04 DIRECTORS' SHAREHOLDINGS**

The following table sets out each director's relevant interest in shares and options of Rex as at the date of this report. No debentures or rights exist.

Directors	Fully paid ordinary shares direct interest	Fully paid ordinary shares indirect interest	Share options
Lim Kim Hai	18,480,630	5,755,513	-
The Hon. John Sharp	150,000	250.000	-
James Davis	197,645	-	-
Chris Hine	166,029	-	-
Lee Thian Soo	7,722,181	3,727,181	-
Ronald Bartsch	-	-	-
Russell Hodge	1,124,000	-	-
David Miller	94,533	-	-

# **05 DIRECTORS' MEETINGS**

The following table sets out the number of directors' meetings (including meetings of committees of directors) held during the financial year and the number of meetings attended by each director (while they were a director or committee member). During the financial year, 9 Board meetings, 3 Remuneration and Nomination Committee meetings, 2 Audit and Corporate Governance Committee meetings and 4 Safety and Risk Management Committee meetings were held.

Directors	Board	Remuneration & Nomination Committee	Audit & Corporate Governance Committee	Safety & Risk Management Committee
No. of Meetings Held:	9	3	2	4
Attendance:				
Lim Kim Hai	9			
The Hon. John Sharp	9	3	2	
James Davis	9	3		
Chris Hine	4			
Lee Thian Soo	8		2	
Ronald Bartsch	6			3
Russell Hodge	8			4
David Miller	5			1

# **06 REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT**

Information about the remuneration of directors and senior management is set out in the remuneration report of this directors' report, on pages 19 to 21.

# **07 SHARES UNDER OPTION OR ISSUED ON EXERCISE OF OPTIONS**

No options were granted or exercised in FY 2011.

# **08 FORMER PARTNERS OF THE AUDIT FIRM**

No directors or officers in Rex or the Group have been a partner or director of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, the Group's auditor.

# **09 COMPANY SECRETARIES**

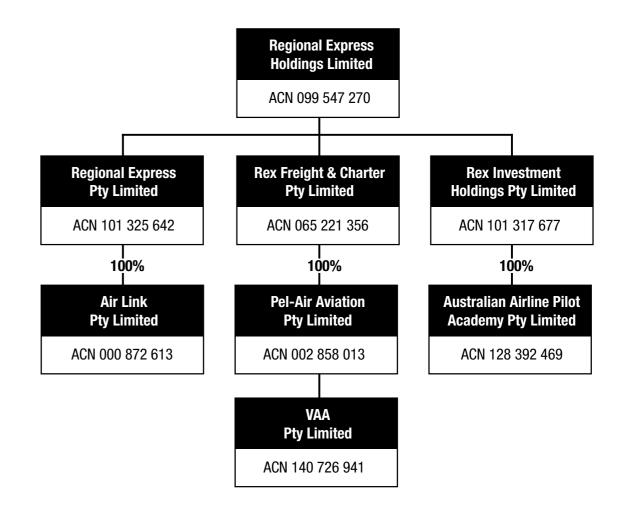
Mr Irwin Tan holds the position of Company Secretary of Rex. A description of his qualifications, skills and experience is included on page 8.

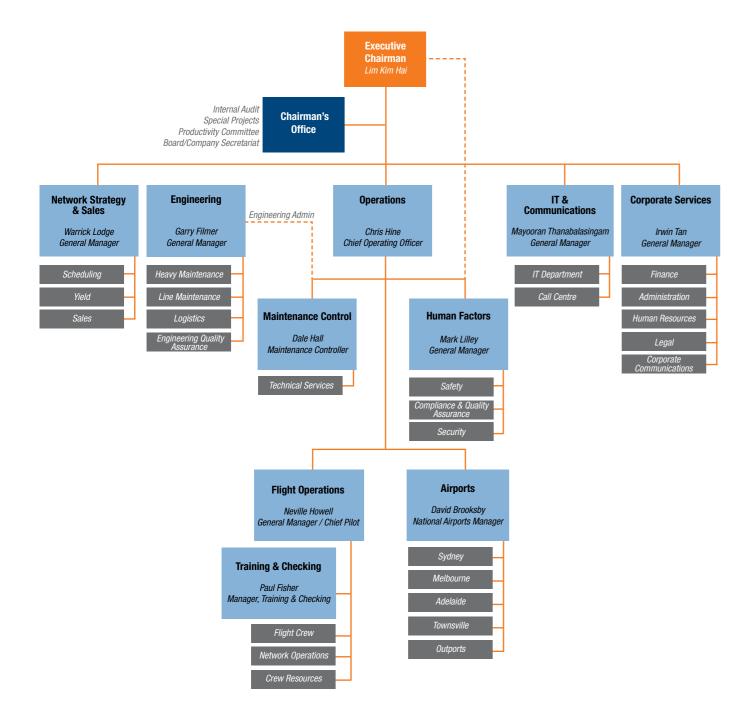
Mr Benjamin Ng, having completed his Bachelor of Science followed by an MBA in the UK, started his career with the German multi-national chemical company, Henkel in Malaysia. In his eight years with Henkel/Cognis, he held various positions ranging from sales, marketing, business analysis and cost controlling. In 2001, he was posted to headquarters in Germany for just over a year where he was cost controller for the Asia Pacific Region. Upon his return to Malaysia, he headed up the controlling department of Cognis for three years. Benjamin joined Rex in April 2006 and was appointed Company Secretary on 10 October 2007.

# **10 PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

The Group's principal activity during the financial year was air transportation of passengers and freight.

# 11 ORGANISATION & GROUP STRUCTURES





# 12 REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

### SUMMARY

The Group continued to build relationships with the regional communities throughout the passenger network and actively renewed and formed new partnerships with local councils to further improve the air services for mutual benefit.

As we entered the year under review, partnership agreements were renewed with the regional councils that own and operate the following regional airports: Albury, Broken Hill, Bathurst, Ballina, Ceduna, Coober Pedy, Dubbo, Grafton, Griffith, Lismore, Narrandera, Parkes, Taree, Townsville and Wagga Wagga.

There were no partnership agreements with the following regional airports: Burnie, Kangaroo Island, King Island, Merimbula, Mildura, Moruya, Mount Gambier, Orange, Port Lincoln and Whyalla.

June 2011 saw air services across south eastern Australia impacted by the volcanic ash cloud from the eruption of the Chilean volcano earlier that month. The Rex Group operations were not spared, with the forced cancellation of services between 20 June and 22 June 2011 inclusive. As the volcanic ash cloud drifted its way across the country, Rex's South Australian operations were the first impacted, followed by Victoria, Tasmania and then finally New South Wales before the ash band passed our eastern coastline and progressed towards New Zealand. Rex recorded the cancellation of some 150 flights and this seen Rex's official cancellation rate reach 2.9% for the month of June, well above Rex's average monthly cancellation rate of 0.2%. The ash cloud disruptions also saw Rex using social media (Twitter) for the first time to keep customers informed. The customer feedback was extremely positive and Twitter will be one of the permanent features in our response to widespread disruptions in the future.

The year was a relatively stable one for pilot attrition with the annual rate for the FY ending at 12.2%. This is in line with and in fact slightly below historical averages and easily manageable particularly with the cadet programme now well established. Another 20 Cadets from the Australian Airline Pilot Academy (AAPA) commenced employment with Rex during the year through the successful Cadet Programme bringing the total number of Rex cadets in the group to 71 as at 30 June 2011 including four Flying Instructors at AAPA and three who joined Pel-Air in the year.

At 30 June 2011, the total pilots employed was 255 and 14 above the normal full requirements intentionally in order to facilitate extensive clearance of long service leave and also enable the training of additional Captains to provide a buffer in the event of increased attrition of Captains. These positive initiatives will continue into the new FY.

In the latter half of FY 2011, Pel-Air saw a marked increase in Fly-in / Fly-out activity, both contracted and ad-hoc. Contracted revenues doubled in the second half of the year with a considerable increase in Townsville-based activities while ad-hoc revenues increased by 80% through the greater utilization of Rex aircraft and crew to support the Pel-Air activity.

Also in the latter half of FY 2011, Pel-Air ramped up activity to prepare for the commencement of the Air Ambulance Victoria (AAV) contract in July 2011. All four highly modified Beech 200 King Air aircraft were test flown and accepted from Hawker Pacific in Cairns during this period. The cutover to our services from RFDS happened without a hitch at midnight of 1 July 2011.

Over at AAPA, the Rex cadet programme continued as planned with 18 cadets graduating in the FY. As at 30 June 2011, AAPA has trained a total of 114 cadets under the Rex Cadet Programme with 66 checked to line and flying with Rex and Pel-Air as First Officers while another 38 cadets are still at various stages of their training. This FY also saw AAPA forging new partnerships with the Alpha Aviation Group in its quest to break into the international market.

Air Link's focus in the Air Charter market in the last FY has shown an increase in the utilisation of its fleet particularly in the second half. It is expected that Fly-in / Fly-out work for the resource industry and continuing third party maintenance will see Air Link continue to contribute to the Group more strongly in the coming FY.

### **ROUTE NETWORK DEVELOPMENTS**

Rex conservatively commenced FY 2011 with network capacity levels that were largely an extension of the 2H FY 2010. During the 1H FY 2010 Rex had commenced services in North Queensland (hubbed from Townsville) as well as having resumed the Griffith to Melbourne services, so both of these initiatives were well entrenched at the opening of FY 2011.

In June 2010 a unique three-year partnership agreement between Rex and Burnie Airport Corporation expired. This unique partnership had been the catalyst for Rex to deploy two SAAB 340 aircraft to the Burnie to Melbourne route. When the partnership expired the airport raised charges by more than 20% and Rex was forced to revert back to a single aircraft operation, representing a capacity reduction of some 18%.

In September 2010 Rex reduced the number of flights between Port Lincoln and Adelaide to compensate for the significant over supply of total market capacity on that route. Following the introduction of QantasLink on that route from February 2010 the total market capacity increased by an unsustainable 75% which was unsupported by passenger growth of only 30%. Following Rex's frequency reductions, Rex maintained up to seven return flights on weekdays which translated into approximately 70% of the flight frequency on the Port Lincoln to Adelaide route.

Also in September Rex incurred a 46% increase in airport charges at Mount Gambier airport in South Australia. The significant increase in operating costs forced Rex to reduce the number of flights through Mount Gambier airport in order to protect operating margins from the additional \$300,000 in costs. Capacity on the Mount Gambier to Adelaide route was subsequently reduced by 18% from September 2010.

The effect of this scaling back of activity has seen load factor improvements with an increased pressure on ticket prices and a corresponding reduction in passenger numbers in the affected ports.

# 12 REVIEW OF OPERATIONS (CONTINUED)

### **ROUTE NETWORK DEVELOPMENTS (CONTINUED)**

The Rex services to the South Coast of NSW (Moruya and Merimbula) from both Melbourne and Sydney underwent some extensive changes in March 2011. Through deploying an additional SAAB 340 aircraft into Melbourne, Rex was able to deliver a brand new Merimbula to Melbourne schedule with new morning and afternoon flights and a 14% increase in annual capacity. The Moruya and Merimbula to Sydney service also received improved timings for business customers that require day return travel to and from Sydney. In addition, the revised schedules to both Melbourne and Sydney provided Rex with increased ability to schedule additional services during periods of high demand.

In partnership with Griffith City Council, Rex took steps in May 2011 to further improve the Griffith to Melbourne service by providing customers with the ability to undertake same day return travel. The new Griffith to Melbourne schedule also delivered an additional 3,500 seats per year. This followed the reinstatement of the route in October 2009 which had been earlier suspended due to the pilot shortage.

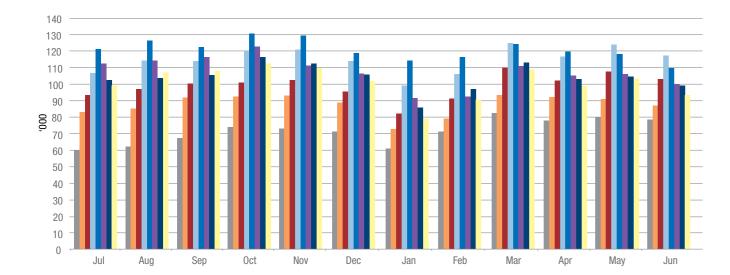
During FY 2011 there were no new competitors on Rex's network. Total capacity as expressed by Available Seat Kilometres (ASKs) increased by a modest 0.82% due to a full year of operations in North Queensland as well as the Griffith to Melbourne route, which was offset by necessary capacity reductions elsewhere in the network.

The tables below set out the evolution in monthly passenger carriage and monthly passenger revenue over the last eight financial years.

# Monthly Passenger Chart Total Passengers

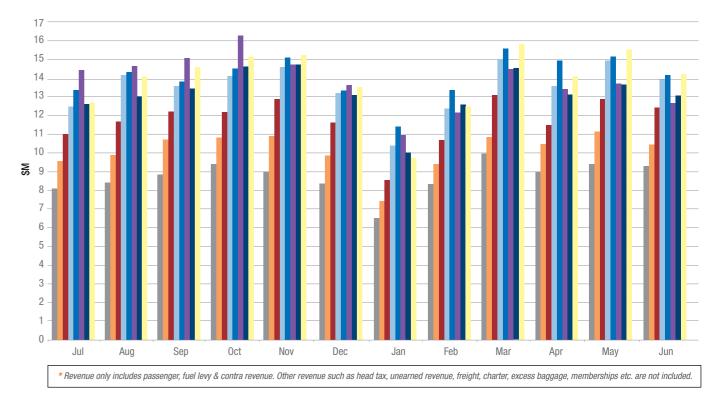


FY 2011 Passengers



# Monthly Passenger Revenue Passenger Revenue\*





### **FLEET CHANGES**

During the reporting period, Rex purchased five SAAB 340B model aircraft at the expiry of their respective leases. Pel-Air disposed of eight Metro 3 aircraft by sale and one Westwind I jet aircraft by retirement and parting out of this aircraft for spares.

### IMPROVING PRODUCTIVITY

The Group's productivity committee continues its efforts throughout the year with the launching of its seventh consecutive productivity drive. The committee ended the year with a total realised savings of \$3.34M.

The realised productivity savings enabled the Group to keep air fares at a competitive and affordable level. Despite significant cost increases, including a 100% rise in the price of jet fuel (MOPS), the Group's average fare in FY 2011 was less than 1% higher (inclusive of fuel levy, exclusive of airport taxes and GST) than that of FY 2003 which was Rex's first year of operations.

# 12 REVIEW OF OPERATIONS (CONTINUED)

### OPERATIONAL AND SERVICE STANDARDS

Rex continued to deliver exceptional on-time performance and service reliability in FY 2011. As reported by the BITRE, Rex recorded 86.2% on time departure performance which ranked Rex as the top performing airline in Australia for FY 2011. In addition, Rex completed FY 2011 with very low cancellation rate of 0.4% which incorporated the figures relating to the volcanic ash cloud related cancellations in June 2011. Prior to June 2011 Rex's cancellation was running at 0.2% which was significantly lower than all other major airlines.

	On Time Departure			Cancellation Rate (%)				
Airline	FY 2011	FY 2010	FY 2009	FY 2008	FY 2011	FY 2010	FY 2009	FY 2008
Regional Express	1st	3rd	4th	1st	0.4%	0.2%	0.8%	1.1%
QantasLink	5th	2nd	1st	2nd	1.9%	0.7%	1.1%	1.2%
Qantas	3rd	1st	5th	6th	1.5%	0.8%	2.6%	2.3%
Jetstar	6th	6th	7th	7th	1.4%	1.1%	0.9%	0.9%
Virgin Australia	4th	4th	3rd	3rd	2.0%	1.6%	2.0%	1.9%
Skywest	2nd	5th	2nd	4th	0.3%	0.7%	1.4%	0.9%
Tiger Airways	7th	7th	6th	N/A	3.0%	1.5%	0.4%	N/A

The FY saw Rex receiving international recognition again as the world's best regional airline.

Aviation Week and Space Technology ranked Rex as the world's Top Performing Regional Carrier for the second consecutive year in a study based on 19 financial ratios compiled over a period of 10 years. The 2010 rankings of publicly-traded airlines identified those who were best positioned for recovery from the previous year's global recession and volatility in fuel prices. Rex outperformed American giants Republic Airways, Sky West Inc. and Pinnacle Airlines.





For a record third time, Rex was recognised as the Regional Airline of the Year 2010 by the Centre for Asia Pacific Aviation. This award is a testament to the delivery of excellent service and profits for shareholders through keen leadership.

### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

The FY saw natural disasters hitting various parts of Australia and true to the Rex spirit, assistance was rendered to the various communities in the Rex network that were affected.

In November 2010 Western NSW suffered severe flooding that caused devastating impact to crops. This was a devastating blow to growers who were in need of a bumper crop following a decade of drought conditions. The NSW Government declared some 22 areas in Southern and Western NSW as natural disaster areas. Rex subsequently set aside a fund of \$200,000 in the form of travel on its services for flood relief assistance. The Riverina was significantly impacted, particularly with the flooding of the Murrumbidgee river that passes through Wagga Wagga and Narrandera.

The same weather system had also seen significant rainfall hit the state of Queensland and in late December and early January severe floods plagued the state including its capital city, Brisbane. Whilst the Rex Group North Queensland operations were not directly impacted by the floods, some three-quarters of Queensland was declared a disaster zone. As such Rex announced that it would set aside a fund of \$200,000 for travel on its services for flood relief assistance in regional Queensland, matching what it had previously put on the table in southern and western New South Wales.

Fundraisers were also held across the network involving both staff and passengers with matching contributions from the Company and more than \$20,000 was raised and contributed to the Premier's Disaster Relief Appeal (for Queensland floods) and Red Cross Victorian Flood Appeal 2011.

Throughout the year, Rex also contributed about a quarter of a million dollars in flight sponsorships to worthy charitable and community projects across its network. These include key community events and charitable fundraisers in the regional towns such as the Moruya Jazz Festival, Chad Hancock Annual Race Day, Julia Creek Dirt and Dust Festival and various Relay for Life events around the region.

In addition, more than \$25,000 in cash was also contributed to various worthy causes such as Country Hope and the Cancer Council's fundraisers such as Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.

# 13 CHANGES IN STATE OF AFFAIRS

The commissioning of the Instrument Landing System (ILS) at Wagga Wagga Airport was completed in November 2010. The ILS project was born from the initiative of Rex and successfully executed through a Collaboration Agreement between Airservices Australia, Wagga Wagga City Council and Rex. The ILS provides operational efficiencies and enhancements to safety for the passenger airline and also greater training efficiency for AAPA.

AAPA saw the graduation of 18 cadets from Rex006 and Rex007 that successfully completed the Rex Pilot Cadet Programme and another 30 cadets commence their training in this FY.

In May 2010 Rex was appointed as one of four domestic airlines to supply travel services across the Commonwealth. The Whole of Australian Government (WoAG) travel tender contract commenced 1 July 2010 (FY 2011) with a contract term until the end of FY 2013 with Federal Government discretion to extend by an additional two one-year periods.

Jim Davis, the Managing Director, stepped down on 30 June 2011 but remains on the Board. Most of his duties were taken over by Chris Hine who became the Chief Operating Officer from 1 July 2011.

### **TENDERS**

In the year under review, the Rex Group has been successful in the following tenders/contracts:

### Fly-in / Fly-out (FIFO) Mining Contracts

In April 2011, Pel-Air executed a contract with Ivanhoe Resources to supply services to its rapidly expanding Osborne and Mount Dore assets in North West Queensland. These services were initially operated with a mix of SAAB and Metro 23 aircraft but are now exclusively serviced by the SAAB from both Townsville and Brisbane.

Rex has also tendered for the following contracts for which an outcome is expected in the next FY:

### JP66 Phase 1 Replacement for Air Defence

Pel-Air is still awaiting the award of a tender to supply air defence target services to the Commonwealth of Australia through the Department of Defence which was submitted on 22 February 2010. The operational date for this contract is expected to be on 1 July 2012.

### Extension of the Fast Jet Contract

Pel-Air is still awaiting the award of a tender to supply air defence target services to the Commonwealth of Australia through the Department of Defence which was submitted on 7 April 2011.

# 14 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

### **ALPHA AVIATION AND GCAA APPROVAL**

In July 2011, AAPA successfully underwent a rigorous audit by the General Civil Aviation Authority of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to deliver the Multi-Crew Pilot Licence (MPL) flying training to cadets from the UAE in collaboration with the Alpha Aviation Group.

Six Air Arabia cadets from the UAE commenced their MPL training with AAPA on 8 August 2011. AAPA expects to train 60 UAE cadets a year as part of its ongoing partnership with the Alpha Aviation Group.

### AIR AMBULANCE VICTORIA

Pel-Air successfully commenced the Air Ambulance Victoria contract on 1 July 2011. All target KPIs were met in the first month of operations.

### ADF JET SUPPORT CONTRACT

In FY 2011 Pel-Air's Jet Support Contract was slated to finish on 30 June 2011. A Request for Tender for a further three-year contract was released in April 2011 and Pel-Air submitted a tender. The Commonwealth was not able to complete the tender process by 30 June 2011 as anticipated and therefore Pel-Air was awarded a three-month extension of the existing contract to enable the tender process to be completed.

# 15 FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The restructuring of Pel-Air has been largely completed in the year under review and Pel-Air will now focus on the following core businesses which are all expected to provide good returns:

Mining Fly-in / Fly-out and charters - further increases are expected to be seen in this area and the Rex Group has dedicated two additional SAAB 340B aircraft to cater to this need. Further, Pel-Air is making preparations to also perform charter and freight work to foreign territories from North Queensland.

**Air Ambulance** - with the successful implementation of the contract with Air Ambulance Victoria on 1 July 2011, Pel-Air is now able to leverage off its knowledge of King Air aircraft for future State Government contracts.

**Defence -** Pel-Air is actively pursuing the impending award of the JP66 and the Fast Jet contracts in the new FY both of which have Pel-Air as the prime contractor.

Freight - Pel-Air has restructured its freight arrangements with Australian Air Express and intends to reinforce this relationship.

Another exciting development is in the area of pilot training. With the accreditation of AAPA by the United Arab Emirates, Rex received its first batch of foreign cadets from Air Arabia in August 2011 for the flight component of the Multi-Crew Pilot License (MPL).

With the avalanche of aircraft orders and the increasing acceptance of the MPL as the path for obtaining qualified pilots, AAPA expects to be in pole position to respond to the desperate need of international airlines all over the world for training qualified pilots.

As for the airline, revenues and profitability are expected to be sustained. However Rex will be undertaking a significant review of operations throughout FY 2012 in light of the Federal Government's removal of the enroute rebate scheme and introduction of the Carbon Tax from July 2012.

# **16 ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS**

Rex continues to be an active participant in programs aimed at maximising energy efficiency and reducing Greenhouse gas emissions in accordance with the Energy Efficient Opportunities Act 2006 (EEO) and the National Greenhouse Energy Reporting Act 2007 (NGER).

Since its registration with the EEO program in November 2007, three public reports on the initiatives undertaken by Rex has been made available on the Rex website at <a href="https://www.rex.com.au">www.rex.com.au</a>

Since its registration with the NGER program in January 2009, Rex has submitted two NGER reports and the third report is due in October 2011.

# 17 DIVIDENDS

In respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2010, a fully franked dividend of 6.6 cents per share was paid to the holders of fully paid ordinary shares on 30 November 2010

In respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2011, the directors have recommended a fully franked divided of 7.1 cents per share to be paid to holders of fully paid ordinary shares. This dividend is subject to approval by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

# 18 INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND AUDITORS

During the financial year, the Company paid a premium in respect of a contract insuring the directors of the company (as named above), the company secretaries (as named above), and all executive officers of the Company and of any related body corporate against a liability incurred as such a director, secretary or executive officer to the extent permitted by the Corporations Act 2001. The contract of insurance prohibits disclosure of the nature of the liability and the amount of the premium.

The Company has not otherwise, during or since the financial year, except to the extent permitted by law, indemnified or agreed to indemnify an officer or auditor of the Company or of any related body corporate against a liability incurred as such an officer or auditor.

# 19 REMUNERATION REPORT

### REMUNERATION AND NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Rex's board of directors has established a Remuneration and Nomination Committee for the purpose of determining and reviewing compensation arrangements for the directors and the senior management executives of the Group. This committee has a process for performance evaluation of the board, its committees and key executives of Rex. The committee's role is to assess the appropriateness of the nature and amount of remuneration of directors and senior management executives on a periodic basis.

### REMUNERATION POLICY

Remuneration levels are set to enable Rex and its subsidiaries to attract and retain appropriately qualified and experienced directors and senior management executives, who will create sustainable value for shareholders and other stakeholders. They also fairly and responsibly reward directors and senior management, having regard to the performance of the Group, the performance of the individual and the external compensation environment.

### REMUNERATION STRUCTURE

In accordance with best practice corporate governance, a distinction has been drawn between the remuneration structure of Rex's non-executive directors and that of its senior management executives. This enables Rex to maintain the independence of non-executive directors and reward senior management executives for their performance of duties and their dedication.

Rex has set in place a remuneration model for all staff which calls for staff accepting a lower fixed annual salary increase in exchange for a profit share and a share plan.

### Profit Share Incentive Plan

Rex has established a profit share incentive scheme which has run for five financial years. Under this scheme, eligible employees will be awarded a share of Rex's profit before tax (PBT) (excluding contributions from subsidiaries and associates) for the financial year immediately preceding the award. The profit share is allocated on an equal share basis. Permanent part time employees will receive an amount proportional to their employment hours. In FY 2011, the Pilot EBA has opted for a 2% plus CPI salary increase in lieu of the profit share. The ASU EBA opted for a 4% fixed salary increase in lieu of the profit share.

### Share Gift Plan

Rex has established the share gift plan for its executive directors and eligible employees. The share plan which ran from FY 2007 to FY 2009 was offered to all the EBA groups and adopted by all the groups except the flight attendants who voted for an additional 0.45% increase of fixed salary in lieu of the 2% share plan. In FY 2010 and FY2011, the flight attendants have again opted for 3.5% increase of fixed salary in lieu of the 2% share gift. Additionally, in FY2010 and FY2011, groups which opted not to receive share gift in lieu of higher base salaries included the pilots and ASU EBA staff. The board has also decided that this plan will be offered to all non-EBA employees who are not the subject of an adverse recommendation by the Remuneration and Nomination Committee. This plan is not based on any performance measures as it was established to show its recognition of employees' contribution to Rex by providing an opportunity to share in its future growth and profitability and to align the interests of the employees more closely with the interests of the shareholders.

### **DIRECTOR AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT DETAILS**

The following persons acted as directors of the Company during or since the end of the financial years

Lim Kim Hai (Chairman)
The Hon. John Sharp (Deputy Chairman)
James Davis
Chris Hine
Lee Thian Soo
Ronald Bartsch
Russell Hodge
David Miller

The term 'senior management' is used in this remuneration report to refer to the following persons. Except as noted, the named persons held their current position during or since the end of the financial year:

James Davis (Managing Director)
Chris Hine (Chief Operating Officer)
Warrick Lodge (General Manager, Network Strategy & Sales)
Irwin Tan (General Manager, Corporate Services / Company Secretary)
Mayooran Thanabalasingham (General Manager, Information Technology and Communications)
Garry Filmer (General Manager, Engineering)
Dale Hall (Maintenance Control Manager)

# 19 REMUNERATION REPORT (CONTINUED)

### REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

The directors and the five highest remunerated executives received the following amounts as compensation for their services as directors and executives of the Company and/or the Group during the year:

		Shor	t-term bene	efits	Post employment benefits	Long- term benefits		-based nents		
		Cash salary & fees	Cash profit sharing & other bonuses	Non- monetary	Pension & super- annuation	Annual leave & long service leave	Options & rights	Share gift provision	Total	% Consisting of options
Directors/Executives	FY	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS	0011									
LIM KIM HAI (1)	2011	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Executive Chairman	2010	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
JAMES DAVIS (2)	2011	181,700	1,927	-	14,355	-	-	3,275	201,257	-
Managing Director	2010	188,846	2,202	-	14,461	-	-	3,200	208,709	-
CHRIS HINE (3)	2011	175,570	1,927	-	15,066	-	-	3,070	195,633	-
Chief Operating Officer	2010	163,606	2,202	-	14,231	-	-	3,075	183,114	-
DAVID MILLED (A)	0011	444.054		F 700	40.70-			0.550	100.000	
DAVID MILLER (4)	2011	141,851	0.000	5,789	12,767	-	-	2,559	162,966	-
Executive Director, CEO of Air Link Pty Ltd	2010	137,500	2,202	5,780	12,573	-	-	2,500	160,555	-
NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS										
JOHN SHARP	2011	90,000	-	-	8,100	-	-	-	98,100	-
Deputy Chairman	2010	90,000	-	-	8,100	-	-	-	98,100	-
RUSSELL HODGE (5)	2011	25,000	-	-	2,250	-	-	-	27,250	-
Non-Executive Director	2010	25,000	-	-	2,250	-	-	-	27,250	-
LEE THIAN SOO	2011	25,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,000	-
Non-Executive Director	2010	25,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,000	-
RONALD BARTSCH (6)	2011	20,058	-	-	1,805	-	-	-	21,863	-
Non-Executive Director	2010	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SENIOR MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVES										
WARRICK LODGE	2011	143,027	1,927	-	13,045	-	-	2,763	160,762	-
GM, Network Strategy & Sales	2010	138,245	2,202	-	12,640	-	-	2,768	155,855	-
IRWIN TAN	2011	139,143	1,927	-	12,836	-	-	2,559	156,465	-
GM, Corporate Services	2010	133,005	2,202	-	12,169	-	-	2,563	149,939	-
DALE HALL	2011	122,747	1,927	-	11,220	-	-	2,324	138,218	-
Manager, Maintenance Control	2010	116,284	2,202	-	10,664	-	-	2,328	131,478	-
GARRY FILMER	2011	120,142	1,927	-	10,986	-	-	2,251	135,306	-
GM, Engineering	2010	112,644	2,202	-	10,336	-	-	2,255	127,437	-
MAYOORAN THANABALASINGHAM	2011	135,696	1,927	-	12,386	-	-	2,559	152,568	-
GM, ITC	2010	128,005	2,202	-	11,719	-	-	2,563	144,489	-
TOTAL	2011	1,319,934	13,489	5,789	114,816	-	-	21,360	1,475,388	-
	2010	1,258,135	17,616	5,780	109,143	-	-	21,252	1,411,926	-

<sup>(1)</sup> Lim Kim Hai undertook to forfeit his Director's fee in November 2008 in response to the global economic crisis. He continued to voluntarily forfeit his fees in this period in the light of the continuing difficult environment.

<sup>2)</sup> James Davis retired as Managing Director with effect from 1 July 2011. He

remains a member of the Board as an Independent Director.

### **VALUE OF OPTIONS ISSUED TO DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVES**

No options lapsed, were granted or were exercised during the FY 2011.

### RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE REMUNERATION POLICY AND COMPANY PERFORMANCE

There is no proportion of remuneration that was dependent on the satisfaction of a performance condition. Of the directors, only Chris Hine, Jim Davis and David Miller were entitled to the Company's profit share bonus.

Senior management executives also received a share gift as set out in Note 27 of the financial statements.

### RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE REMUNERATION POLICY AND COMPANY PERFORMANCE

The tables below set out summary information about the Group's earnings and movements in shareholder wealth for the five years to June 2011:

	30 June 2011 \$'000	30 June 2010 \$'000	30 June 2009 \$'000	30 June 2008 \$'000	30 June 2007 \$'000
Revenue	239,647	228,843	250,963	260,513	225,193
Net profit before tax	24,095	26,254	30,789	32,478	33,072
Net profit after tax	17,593	24,627	22,982	24,343	23,627

	30 June 2011	30 June 2010	30 June 2009	30 June 2008	30 June 2007
Share price at start of year	\$1.005	\$0.80	\$1.06	\$2.75	\$0.995
Share price at end of year	\$0.83	\$1.005	\$0.8	\$1.06	\$2.75
Interim dividend	-	-	-	-	-
Final dividend 1,2	7.1cps	6.6cps	-	6.6cps	6.6cps
Basic earnings per share	15.8cps	22.2cps	20.4cps	20.3cps	20.5cps
Diluted earnings per share	15.8cps	22.2cps	20.4cps	20.3cps	20.4cps

<sup>1</sup> Franked to 10.1 cps (2010: 9.4cps) at 30% corporate income tax rate since 2007; <sup>2</sup> Declared after the balance date and not reflected in the financial statements.

### **KEY TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS**

Employment contracts between the senior management executives and the Group do not have a specified duration. A notice of four weeks must be given for senior management executives to terminate their contract. There are no extraordinary termination payments set out in the contracts of the senior management executives of the Group.

# **20 PROCEEDINGS ON BEHALF OF THE COMPANY**

No proceedings have been brought on behalf of the Group, nor has any application been made in respect of the Group under s.237 of the Corporations Act 2001.

# 21 NON-AUDIT SERVICES

Details of amounts paid or payable to the auditor for non-audit services provided during the year by the auditor are outlined in Note 28 to the financial statements

The directors are satisfied that the provision of non-audit services, during the year, by the auditor (or by another person or firm on the auditor's behalf) is compatible with the general standard of independence for auditors imposed by the Corporations Act 2001.

The directors are of the opinion that the services as disclosed in Note 28 to the financial statements do not compromise the external auditor's independence, based on advice received from the Audit Committee, for the following reasons:

- all non-audit services have been reviewed and approved to ensure that they do not impact the integrity and objectivity of the auditor, and
- none of the services undermine the general principles relating to auditor independence as set out in Code of Conduct APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants issued by the Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board, including reviewing or auditing the auditor's own work, acting in a management or decision-making capacity for the company, acting as advocate for the company or jointly sharing economic risks and rewards.

Ohris Hine was appointed as Chief Operating Officer & Director with effect from 1 March 2011.

<sup>(4)</sup> David Miller retired as Director with effect from 1 March 2011.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(5)</sup> Russell Hodge retired as Director with effect from 14 June 2011.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(6)</sup> Ronald Bartsch was appointed as Director with effect from 23 November 2010.

# 22 ROUNDING OFF OF AMOUNTS

The company is a company of the kind referred to in ASIC Class Order 98/0100, dated 10 July 1998, and in accordance with that Class Order amounts in the directors' report and the financial report are rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of directors made pursuant to s.298(2) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the Directors

Chris Hine Chief Operating Officer Sydney, 24 August 2011

# **AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION**

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24 August 2011

Dear Board Members

### **Regional Express Holdings Limited**

In accordance with section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, I am pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the directors of Regional Express Holdings Limited.

As lead audit partner for the audit of the financial statements of Regional Express Holdings Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2011, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Yours sincerely

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# **CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT**

### FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

	Note	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Continuing operations			
Passenger revenue		201,325	191,967
Freight revenue		933	905
Charter revenue		22,199	27,643
Other passenger services and amenities		2,401	1,913
Finance income	3	1,159	406
Other income	3	11,630	6,009
Total revenue and other income		239,647	228,843
Other gains and losses	4	823	678
Flight and port operation costs (excluding fuel)		(48,524)	(48,840)
Fuel costs		(33,695)	(30,392)
Salaries and employee-related costs	3	(85,004)	(77,620)
Selling and marketing costs	Ů	(5,151)	(5,494)
Engineering and maintenance costs		(26,007)	(24,769)
Office and general administration costs		(6,826)	(6,097)
Finance costs	3	-	(60)
Depreciation and amortisation	3	(11,168)	(9,995)
Total costs and expenses		(216,375)	(203,267)
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Profit before income tax		24,095	26,254
Income tax expense	5	(6,502)	(1,627)
Profit after tax from continuing operations		17,593	24,627
Profit attributable to:			
Members of the parent		17,593	24,627
		17,593	24,627
Earnings per share (cents per share)			
Basic (cents per share)	18	15.8	22.2
Diluted (cents per share)	18	15.8	22.2
Dividends per share (cents per share)	19	7.1	6.6

Notes to the financial statements are included on pages 31 to 63.

# **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

### FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Profit after tax	17,593	24,627
Other comprehensive income		
Cash flow hedges		
Gain arising during the year	-	1,017
Reclassification adjustment for amounts recognised in profit or loss	(1,017)	-
Other comprehensive income	(1,017)	1,017
Income tax relating to components of other comprehensive income	305	(305)
Total comprehensive income for the year	16,881	25,339

Notes to the financial statements are included on pages 31 to 63.

# **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

### **AS AT 30 JUNE 2011**

	Note	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Current assets	Note	\$ 000	\$ 000
Cash and bank balances	24	19,032	10,326
Trade and other receivables	6	10,003	9,509
Available for sale investments carried at fair value – shares	-	10	10
Inventories	7	10,379	7,744
Current tax assets	5	-	3,198
Total current assets		39,424	30,787
Non-current assets			
Other financial assets	8	11	1,028
Other receivables	6	6,927	3,932
Deferred tax assets	5	-	911
Property, plant and equipment	9		
Aircraft		112,163	106,340
Other property, plant and equipment		73,569	68,486
Goodwill and intangible assets	10	7,475	7,299
Total non-current assets		200,145	187,996
Total assets		239,569	218,783
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	19,400	18,267
Unearned revenue	14	19,761	16,432
Borrowings	12	1,858	-
Current tax payable	5	2,460	_
Provisions	13	6,329	6,540
Other liabilities	14	695	494
Total current liabilities		50,503	41,733
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	12	27,142	26,000
Provisions	13	510	427
Deferred tax liabilities	5	647	-
Total non-current liabilities		28,299	26,427
Total liabilities		78,802	68,160
Net assets		160,767	150,623
Equity			
Issued capital	15	74,659	74,659
Reserved shares	16	(2,358)	(2,869)
Retained earnings	17	86,269	75,998
Share-based payments reserve	16	607	533
Other reserves	16	1,590	2,302
Total equity		160,767	150,623
		100,101	100,020

Notes to the financial statements are included on pages 31 to 63.

# **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

### FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

	Note	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Receipts from customers	NOLE	263,527	252,876
Payments to suppliers, employees and others		(230,134)	(215,224)
Interest paid		(=55,.5.)	(60)
Income tax (paid)/refunded		1,019	(7,584)
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	24 (B)	34,412	30,008
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Interest received		1,159	406
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		6,619	2,545
Payments for property, plant and equipment - aircraft and other		(28,888)	(61,902)
Payments for property, plant and equipment - software		(280)	(48)
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(21,390)	(58,999)
Share buy-back		-	(378)
Reserved shares		6	(117)
Repayment of borrowings		-	(1,657)
Proceeds from borrowings		3,000	26,000
Dividends paid		(7,322)	=
Net cash flows provided by/(used in) financing activities		(4,316)	23,848
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		8,706	(5,143)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		10,326	15,469
Cash at the end of the financial year	24 (A)	19,032	10,326

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# **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**

### FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

			Attributable to		of the Company		
				Share- based	Cash flow		
	Issued	Reserved	Retained	payments	hedge	General	Total
	capital	shares	earnings	reserve	reserve	reserve	equity
At 1 July 2009	\$'000 <b>75,037</b>	\$'000 (3,241)	\$'000 51,371	\$'000 652	\$'000	\$'000 1,590	\$'000 125,409
Profit for the year	-	-	24,627	_	_	-,,,,,	24,627
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	_	_	- 1,027		712		712
Total comprehensive income for the year	_	_	24,627		712	_	25,339
Dividends paid	_	_				_	-
Share buy-back	(378)	_	_		_	_	(378)
Shares purchased as reserve shares	(0.0)	(117)	_		_	_	(117)
Share gift issued - gift	_	460	_	(460)	_	_	-
Share gift issued - salary sacrifice	_	29	_	(100)	_	_	29
Share gift plan provision	_	_	_	341	_	_	341
At 30 June 2010	74,659	(2,869)	75,998	533	712	1,590	150,623
At 30 Julie 2010	14,000	(2,003)	10,550	000	712	1,000	100,020
At 1 July 2010	74,659	(2,869)	75,998	533	712	1,590	150,623
Profit for the year	-	-	17,593	-	-	-	17,593
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-	-	-	(712)		(712)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-	17,593	-	(712)	-	16,881
Dividends paid	-	-	(7,322)	-	-	-	(7,322)
Share buy-back	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shares purchased as reserve shares	-	-	-		-	-	-
Share gift issued - gift	-	499	-	(499)	-	-	-
Share gift issued - salary sacrifice	-	12	-	_	-	_	12
Share gift plan provision	-	-	-	573	-	-	573
At 30 June 2011	74,659	(2,358)	86,269	607	-	1,590	160,767

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# **NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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## 01 GENERAL INFORMATION

Regional Express Holdings Limited (the Company) is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (Trading under symbol 'REX'), incorporated and operating in Australia. The Company's registered office and its principal place of business is at 81 – 83 Baxter Road, Mascot, NSW 2020, Australia.

# **02 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

These financial statements are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, Accounting Standards and Interpretations, and complies with other requirements of the law. The financial report includes the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

Accounting Standards include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards ('A-IFRS'). Compliance with A-IFRS ensures that the financial statements and notes of the Group comply with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS').

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors on 24 August 2011.

### **BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost, except for the revaluation of certain financial instruments that are measured at revalued amounts or fair values, as explained in the accounting policies below. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets. All amounts are presented in Australian dollars, unless otherwise noted.

The Company is a company of the kind referred to in ASIC Class Order 98/0100, dated 10 July 1998, and in accordance with that Class Order, amounts in the financial statements are rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS & SOURCES OF UNCERTAINTY

### CRITICAL JUDGEMENTS IN APPLYING THE ENTITY'S ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following are the critical judgements (apart from those involving estimations, which are dealt with below), that management has made in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements:

### Employee entitlements

Management judgement is applied in determining the following key assumptions used in the calculation of long service leave at balance date:

- future increases in wages and salaries;
- future on-cost rates; and
- experience of employee departures and period of service.

### Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The following are the key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the balance date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year:

### Impairment of goodwill

Determining whether goodwill is impaired requires an estimation of the value in use of the cash-generating units to which goodwill has been allocated. The value in use calculation requires the entity to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the cash-generating unit and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate present value.

The carrying amount of goodwill at the balance date was \$7,190 thousand (2010: \$7,190 thousand) with no impairment loss recognised during the current financial year.

### Fair value of derivatives and other financial instruments

As described in Note 25, management uses their judgement in selecting an appropriate valuation technique for financial instruments not quoted in an active market. Valuation techniques commonly used by market practitioners are applied. For derivative financial instruments, assumptions are made based on quoted market rates adjusted for specific features of the instrument.

### ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

There are no new and revised standards and interpretations adopted in these financial statements affecting the reporting results or financial position

At the date of authorisation of the financial report, the Standards and Interpretations listed below were in issue but not yet effective.

Initial application of the following Standards will not affect any of the amounts recognised in the financial report, but will change the disclosures presently made in relation to the Group and the company's financial report.

### STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS ISSUED NOT YET EFFECTIVE

Standard/Interpretation	Effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after	Expected to be initially applied in the financial year ending
AASB 9 Financial Instruments, AASB 2009-11 and AASB 2010-7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures (2009), AASB 2009-12 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards	1 January 2011	30 June 2012
AASB 2009-14 Amendments to Australian Interpretation – Prepayments of a Minimum Funding Requirement	1 January 2011	30 June 2012
AASB 2010-4 Further Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Project	1 January 2011	30 June 2012
AASB 2010-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards	1 January 2011	30 June 2012
AASB 2010-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Disclosures on Transfers of Financial Assets	1 July 2011	30 June 2012
AASB 2010-8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets	1 January 2012	30 June 2013
AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures	1 July 2011	30 June 2012
AASB 2011-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Trans-Tasman Convergence Project	1 July 2011	30 June 2012
AASB 2011-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Extending Relief from Consolidation, the Equity Method and Proportionate Consolidation	1 July 2011	30 June 2012

At the date of authorization of the financial statements, the following IASB Standards and IFRIC Interpretations were also in issue but not yet effective, although Australian equivalent Standards and Interpretations have not yet been issued.

IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
IFRS 11 Joint Arrangements	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
IFRS 12 Disclosure of Involvement with Other Entities	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
IAS 19 Employee Benefits	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
IAS 27 Separate Financial Statements (2011)	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures	1 January 2013	30 June 2014

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation and presentation of the financial report:

### (A) BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities (including special purpose entities) controlled by the Company (its subsidiaries) (referred to as 'the Group' in these financial statements). Control is achieved where the Company has the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

Income and expense of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated income statement from the effective date of acquisition and up to the effective date of disposal, as appropriate. Total comprehensive income of subsidiaries is attributed to the owner of the Company and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with those used by other members of the Group.

All intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated in full on consolidation.

Changes in the Group's ownership interests in subsidiaries that do not result in the Group's losing control are accounted for as equity transactions. The carrying amounts of the Group's interests and the non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiaries. Any differences between the amount by which the non-controlling interests are adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed owners of the Company.

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, the profit or loss on disposal is calculated as the difference between (i) the aggregate of the fair value of the consideration received and the fair value of any retained interest and (ii) the previous carrying amount of the assets (including goodwill), and liabilities of the subsidiary and any non-controlling interests. When assets of the subsidiary are carried at revalued amounts or fair values and the related cumulative gain or loss has been recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity, the amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity are accounted for as if the Company had directly disposed of the relevant assets (ie reclassified to profit or loss or transferred directly to retained earnings as specified by applicable Standards). The fair value of any investment retained in the former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition for subsequent accounting under AASB 139 'Financial instruments: Recognition and Measurement' or, where applicable, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate or jointly controlled entity.

### (B) INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES

An associate is an entity over which the Group has significant influence and that is neither a subsidiary nor an interest in a joint venture. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those

The results and assets and liabilities of associates are incorporated in these financial statements using the equity method of accounting, except when the investment is classified as held for sale, in which case it is accounted for in accordance with AASB 5 'Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations'. Under the equity method, investments in associates are carried in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of profit or loss and other comprehensive income of the associate.

Losses of an associate in excess of the Group's interest in that associate (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the associate) are recognised only to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made

Any excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the associate recognised at the date of the acquisition is recognised as goodwill. The goodwill is included within the carrying amount of the investment and is assessed for impairment as part of that investment. Any excess of the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of the acquisition, after reassessment, is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Where a Group entity transacts with an associate of the Group, profits and losses are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the relevant associate.

### (C) BORROWING COSTS

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are added to the cost of those assets, until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale.

Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation.

All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

### (D) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash comprises cash on hand and demand deposits. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities in the consolidated statement of financial position.

### (E) FOREIGN CURRENCIES

The individual financial statements of each Group entity are presented in its functional currency being the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. For the purpose of the consolidated financial statements, the results and financial position of each entity are expressed in Australian dollars, which is the functional currency of the Group and the presentation currency for the consolidated financial

In preparing the financial statements of the individual entities, transactions in currencies other than the entity's functional currency are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At each balance date, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at the balance date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise except for exchange differences on transactions entered into in order to hedge certain foreign currency risks (refer to Note 25).

### (F) DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Group is only authorised by the Board to enter into forward contracts for the purchase of US dollars (USD) and is only authorised to purchase amounts not exceeding the annual USD requirements of the Group. The Group does not engage in any derivative financial instruments

The Group enters into forward contracts where it agrees to buy specified amounts of USD in the future at a predetermined exchange rate. The objective is to match the contract with anticipated future cash flows from sales and purchases in USD, to protect the consolidated entity against the possibility of loss from future exchange rate fluctuations. The forward exchange contracts are usually no longer than 12 months. Further details of these USD contracts are disclosed in Note 25 to the financial statements.

The USD contracts are initially recognised at fair value at the date the contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured to their fair value at each reporting date. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately unless the foreign currency contracts are designated and effective as a hedging instrument, in which event, the timing of the recognition in profit or loss depends on the nature of the hedge relationship. The Group designates these USD contracts as hedges of highly probable forecast transactions or hedges of foreign currency risk of firm commitments.

The fair value of USD contracts are classified as a non-current asset or a non-current liability if the remaining maturity of the hedge relationship is more than 12 months and as a current asset or a current liability if the remaining maturity of the hedge relationship is less than 12 months.

USD contracts not designated into an effective hedge relationship are classified as a current asset or a current liability.

### HEDGE ACCOUNTING

Hedges of foreign exchange risk on highly probable forecast transactions or firm commitments are accounted for as cash flow hedges.

At the inception of the hedge relationship the entity documents the relationship between the USD contract and hedged item, along with its risk management objectives and its strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. Furthermore, at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group documents whether the USD contract that is used in a hedging relationship is highly effective in offsetting changes in fair values

Note 25 contains details of the fair values of the USD contracts used for hedging purposes. Movements in the hedging reserve in equity are also detailed in Note 16.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the Group revokes the hedging relationship, the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. The adjustment to the carrying amount of the hedged item arising from the hedged risk is amortised to profit or loss from that date.

### **CASH FLOW HEDGE**

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges are deferred in equity. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit or loss as part of other expenses or other income.

Amounts deferred in equity are recycled in profit or loss in the periods when the hedged item is recognised in profit or loss. However, when the forecast transaction that is hedged results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or a non-financial liability, the gains and losses previously deferred in equity are transferred from equity and included in the initial measurement of the cost of the asset or liability.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the Group revokes the hedging relationship, the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. Any cumulative gain or loss deferred in equity at that time remains in equity and is recognised when the forecast transaction is ultimately recognised in profit or loss. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss that was deferred in equity is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

### (G) EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A liability is recognised for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave, long service leave, and sick leave when it is probable that settlement will be required and they are capable of being measured reliably.

Liabilities recognised in respect of employee benefits expected to be settled within 12 months, are measured at their nominal values using the remuneration rate expected to apply at the time of settlement.

Liabilities recognised in respect of employee benefits which are not expected to be settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made by the Group in respect of services provided by employees up to reporting date.

### **DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLANS**

Contributions to defined contribution superannuation plans are expensed when incurred.

### (H) FINANCIAL ASSETS

Investments are recognised and derecognised on trade date where the purchase or sale of an investment is under a contract whose terms require delivery of the investment within the timeframe established by the market concerned, and are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss which are initially measured at fair value.

Subsequent to initial recognition, investments in associates are accounted for under the equity method in the consolidated financial statements.

Other financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: financial assets 'at fair value through profit or loss', 'available-for-sale' financial assets, and 'loans and receivables'. The classification depends on the nature and purpose of the financial assets and is determined at the time of initial recognition.

### **EFFECTIVE INTEREST METHOD**

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and of allocating interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset, or, where appropriate, a shorter period.

Income is recognised on an effective interest rate basis for debt instruments other than those financial assets 'at fair value through profit or loss'.

### FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

Financial assets are classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss where the financial asset:

- (i) has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the near future;
- (ii) is a part of an identified portfolio of financial instruments that the Group manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- (iii) is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instrument.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are stated at fair value, with any resultant gain or loss recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss incorporates any dividend or interest earned on the financial asset.

Fair value is determined in the manner described in Note 25.

### AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE FINANCIAL ASSETS

Certain shares and redeemable notes held by the Group are classified as being available-for-sale and are stated at fair value. Fair value is determined in the manner described in Note 25. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are recognised directly in the investments revaluation reserve with the exception of impairment losses, interest calculated using the effective interest method and foreign exchange gains and losses on monetary assets which are recognised directly in profit or loss. Where the investment is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in the investments revaluation reserve is included in profit or loss for the period.

Dividends on available-for-sale equity instruments are recognised in profit and loss when the Group's right to receive payments is established.

### LOANS AND RECEIVABLES

Trade receivables, loans, and other receivables that have fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as 'loans and receivables'. Loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment.

Interest is recognised by applying the effective interest rate.

### IMPAIRMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

Financial assets, other than those at fair value through profit or loss, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each balance date. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been impacted. For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of the impairment is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate.

The carrying amount of financial assets including uncollectible trade receivables is reduced by the impairment loss through the use of an allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in profit or loss.

With the exception of available-for-sale equity instruments, if, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss to the extent the carrying amount of the investment at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

In respect of available-for-sale equity instruments, any subsequent increase in fair value after an impairment loss is recognised directly in equity.

### (I) FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS ISSUED BY THE GROUP

### **DEBT AND EQUITY INSTRUMENTS**

Debt and equity instruments are classified as either liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement. Equity Instruments issued by the Group are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

### FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

Financial liabilities are classified as either financial liabilities 'at fair value through profit or loss' or other financial liabilities.

### FINANCIAL LIABILITIES AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are stated at fair value, with any resultant gain or loss recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss incorporates any interest paid on the financial liability. Fair value is determined in the manner described in Note 25.

### OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

Other financial liabilities, including borrowings, are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs.

Other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, with interest expense recognised on an effective yield basis.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments through the expected life of the financial liability, or, where appropriate, a shorter period.

### (J) GOODWILL

Goodwill acquired in a business combination is initially measured at its cost, being the excess of the cost of the business combination over the acquirer's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities recognised at the date of acquisition. Goodwill is subsequently measured at its cost less any impairment losses.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units (CGUs), or groups of CGUs, expected to benefit from the synergies of the business combination. CGUs (or groups of CGUs) to which goodwill has been allocated are tested for impairment annually, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that goodwill might be impaired.

If the recoverable amount of the CGU (or group of CGUs) is less than the carrying amount of the CGU (or groups of CGUs), the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the CGU (or groups of CGUs) and then to the other assets of the CGU (or groups of CGUs) pro-rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the CGU (or groups of CGUs). An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is recognised immediately in profit or loss and is not reversed in a subsequent period.

On disposal of an operation within a CGU, the attributable amount of goodwill is included in the determination of the profit or loss on disposal of the operation.

### (K) GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Government grants are assistance by the government in the form of transfers of resources to the Group in return for past or future compliance with certain conditions relating to the operating activities of the entity. Government grants include government assistance where there are no conditions specifically relating to the operating activities of the Group other than the requirement to operate in certain regions or industry sectors.

Government grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Government grants whose primary condition is that the Group should purchase, construct or otherwise acquire long-term assets are recognised as deferred income in the statement of financial position and recognised as income on a systematic and rational basis over the useful lives of the related assets.

Other government grants are recognised as income over the periods necessary to match them with the related costs which they are intended to compensate, on a systematic basis. Government grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the Group with no future related costs are recognised as income of the period in which it becomes receivable.

### (L) IMPAIRMENT OF OTHER TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

At each reporting date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Where a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment annually and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at fair value, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but only to the extent that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at fair value, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

### (M) INCOME TAX

### **CURRENT TAX**

Current tax is calculated by reference to the amount of income taxes payable or recoverable in respect of the taxable profit or tax loss for the period. It is calculated using tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by reporting date. Current tax for current and prior periods is recognised as a liability (or asset) to the extent that it is unpaid (or refundable).

### DEFERRED TAX

Deferred tax is accounted for on the basis of temporary differences between the tax base of an asset or liability and its carrying amount in the statement of financial position. The tax base of an asset or liability is the amount attributed to that asset or liability for tax purposes.

In principle, deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable amounts will be available against which deductible temporary differences or unused tax losses and tax offsets can be utilised. However, deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary differences giving rise to them arise from the initial recognition of assets and liabilities (other than as a result of a business combination) which affects neither taxable income nor accounting profit. Furthermore, a deferred tax liability is not recognised in relation to taxable temporary differences arising from the initial recognition of goodwill.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences associated with investments in associates, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with these investments and interests are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilise the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period(s) when the asset and liability giving rise to them are realised or settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by reporting date. The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Group intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

### CURRENT AND DEFERRED TAX FOR THE PERIOD

Current and deferred tax is recognised as an expense or income in the income statement, except when it relates to items credited or debited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also recognised directly in equity, or where it arises from the initial accounting for a business combination, in which case it is taken into account in the determination of goodwill or excess.

### (N) INTANGIBLE ASSETS

### INTANGIBLE ASSETS ACQUIRED SEPARATELY

Intangible assets acquired separately are recorded at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment. Amortisation is charged on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful life and amortisation method is reviewed at the end of each annual reporting period, with any changes in these accounting estimates being accounted for on a prospective basis.

### INTERNALLY-GENERATED INTANGIBLE ASSETS - RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE

Expenditure on research activities is recognised as an expense in the period in which it is incurred. Where no internally-generated intangible asset can be recognised, development expenditure is recognised as an expense in the period as incurred.

An intangible asset arising from development (or from the development phase of an internal project) is recognised if, and only if, all of the following have been demonstrated:

- the technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset so that it will be available for use or sale;
- the intention to complete the intangible asset and use or sell it;
- the ability to use or sell the intangible asset;
- how the intangible asset will generate probable future economic benefits;
- the availability of adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the development and to use or sell the intangible asset; and
- the ability to measure reliably the expenditure attributable to the intangible asset during its development.

The amount initially recognised for internally-generated intangible assets is the sum of the expenditure incurred from the date when the intangible asset first meets the recognition criteria listed above.

Subsequent to initial recognition, internally-generated intangible assets are reported at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets acquired separately.

A summary of the policies applied to the Group's intangible assets is as follows:

	Computer software	Development costs
Useful lives	Finite	Finite
Amortisation method used	5 years straight line	2.5 years straight line
Internally generated / acquired	Acquired	Internally generated
Impairment test / recoverable amount testing	Annually and where an indicator of impairment exists	Amortisation method reviewed at each financial year- end; Reviewed annually for indicator of impairment

### (O) INVENTORIES

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs, including an appropriate portion of fixed and variable overhead expenses, are assigned to inventory on hand by the method most appropriate to each particular class of inventory, with the majority being valued on a first in first out basis. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs necessary to make the sale.

### (P) LEASED ASSETS

Leases are classified as finance leases when the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the leased asset to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

### **GROUP AS LESSOR**

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease. However, contingent rentals arising under operating leases are recognised as income in a manner consistent with the basis on which they are determined.

### GROUP AS LESSEE

Assets held under finance leases are initially recognised at their fair value or, if lower, at amounts equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments, each determined at the inception of the lease. The corresponding liability to the lessor is included in the statement of financial position as a finance lease obligation.

Lease payments are apportioned between finance charges and reduction of the lease obligation so as to achieve a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability. Finance charges are charged directly against income, unless they are directly attributable to qualifying assets, in which case they are capitalised in accordance with the Group's general policy on borrowing costs. Refer to Note 2(C). Contingent rentals are recognised as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Finance leased assets are amortised on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset.

Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term, except where another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased asset are consumed. Contingent rentals arising under operating leases are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

### LEASE INCENTIVES

In the event that lease incentives are received to enter into operating leases, such incentives are recognised as a liability. The aggregate benefits of incentives are recognised as a reduction of rental expense on a straight-line basis, except where another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased asset are consumed.

### (Q) PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Land and buildings, plant and equipment, leasehold improvements and equipment under finance lease are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the item. In the event that settlement of all or part of the purchase consideration is deferred, cost is determined by discounting the amounts payable in the future to their present value as at the date of acquisition.

Depreciation is provided on property, plant and equipment, including freehold buildings but excluding land. Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis so as to write off the net cost of each asset over its expected useful life to its estimated residual value. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the period of the lease or estimated useful life, whichever is the shorter, using the straight line method. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each annual reporting period, with the effect of any changes recognised on a prospective basis.

The rates applied are as follows:

15,000 to 60,000 hours
20 to 30 years
4 to 5 years
10 to 20 years
8 to 10 years
over the unexpired lease period
7 years
8 years
5 to 20 years

### (R) PROVISIONS

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Group will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at reporting date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the cashflows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cashflows.

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, the receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

### (S) REVENUE

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Revenue is reduced for rebates and other similar allowances.

### RENDERING OF SERVICES

Revenue from providing air passenger and freight services is recognised when the relevant flights are made.

### DIVIDEND AND INTEREST INCOME

Dividend from investments is recognised when the shareholder's right to receive payment has been established.

Interest income is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount.

### (T) SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS

Equity-settled share-based payments with employees and others providing similar services are measured at the fair value of the equity instrument at the grant date.

The fair value determined at the grant date of the equity-settled share-based payments is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Group's estimate of shares that will eventually vest.

Equity-settled share-based payment transactions with other parties are measured at the fair value of the goods and services received, except where the fair value cannot be estimated reliably, in which case they are measured at the fair value of the equity instruments granted, measured at the date the entity obtains the goods or the counterparty renders the service.

For cash-settled share-based payments, a liability equal to the portion of the goods or services received is recognised at the current fair value determined at each reporting date.

### (U) GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except:

- i. where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority, it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of an asset or as part of an item of expense; or
- ii. for receivables and payables which are recognised inclusive of GST.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

# **03 REVENUES AND EXPENSES**

### FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Finance income		
Interest	1,159	406
	1,159	406
Other income		
Training income	3,693	1,928
Engineering services	1,195	704
Insurance claim	242	1,748
Grant - Department of Transport	2,962	1,278
Other income	3,538	351
	11,630	6,009
Salaries and employee-related costs		
Wages and salaries (excluding bonus – profit share scheme)	(77,038)	(70,735)
Bonus – profit share scheme	(913)	(631)
Workers' compensation costs	(1,166)	(884)
Superannuation costs - defined contribution plan	(5,314)	(5,029)
Expense of share-based payments	(573)	(341)
	(85,004)	(77,620)
Finance costs		
Interest on bank overdrafts and loans	2,086	116
Less: amounts included in the cost of qualifying assets	(2,086)	(56)
Interest expense	-	(60)
The weighted average capitalisation rate on funds borrowed generally is 7.2% per annum (2010: 5%)		
Depreciation and amortisation		
Depreciation and amortisation	(11,064)	(9,919)
Amortisation of development costs and software	(104)	(76)
	(11,168)	(9,995)
Lacco naumento included in concelidated income etatement		
Lease payments included in consolidated income statement		
Included in flight and port operation costs	(0.050)	(0.000)
Minimum lease payments – operating lease	(8,856)	(8,938)
Office and assemble desirable state and	(8,856)	(8,938)
Office and general administrative costs	(600)	
Bad debts	(633)	-
	(633)	-

# **04 PROFIT FOR THE YEAR**

### GAINS AND LOSSES

Profit/(loss) for the year has been arrived at after crediting/(charging) the following gains and losses:

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(299)	(127)
Net foreign exchange gain	1,122	805
	823	678

# **05 INCOME TAX**

### **INCOME TAX RECOGNISED IN PROFIT OR LOSS**

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Tax expense/(income) comprises:		
Current tax expense/(income)	4,639	2,933
Deferred tax expense/(income) relating to the origination and reversal of temporary differences	1,863	(471)
Over provision of income tax in previous years	-	(835)
Total tax expense/(income)	6,502	1,627
Attributable to:		
Continuing operations	6,502	1,627
	6,502	1,627
The prima facie income tax expense on pre-tax accounting profit from operations reconciles to the income tax expense in the financial statements as follows:		
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	24,095	26,254
Profit/(loss) from operations	24,095	26,254
Income tax expense calculated at 30%	7,228	7,876
Non deductible expenses/(income)	(19)	(604)
Previously unrecognised and unused tax losses and tax offsets not recognised as deferred tax assets	(515)	(287)
Over provision of income tax in previous years	-	(835)
Other	1	(413)
Investment allowance	(193)	(4,110)
	6,502	1,627

The tax rate used in the above reconciliation is the corporate tax rate of 30% payable by Australian corporate entities on taxable profits under Australian tax law. There has been no change in the corporate tax rate when compared with the previous reporting period.

There was no tax deduction available in respect of prior years due to a retrospective change in the tax laws (2010: \$835 thousand).

The following current and deferred tax balances have been recognised in the statement of financial position.

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Deferred tax		
Other	(305)	305
	(305)	305
Current tax assets and liabilities		
Current tax assets	-	3,198
	-	3,198
Current tax payables		
Income tax attributable:		
Parent entity	2,460	-
	2,460	-
Deferred tax balances		
Deferred tax assets comprise:		
Temporary differences	3,764	2,643
	3,764	2,643
Deferred tax liabilities comprise:		
Temporary differences	(4,411)	(1,732)
Net deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	(647)	911

# **05 INCOME TAX** (CONTINUED)

Taxable and deductible temporary differences arise from the following:

30 June 2011	Opening balance \$'000	Charged to income \$'000	Charged to equity \$'000	Acquisitions / disposals \$'000	Exchange differences \$'000	Changes in tax rate \$'000	Closing balance \$'000
Gross deferred tax liabilities							
Inventories	(1,711)	(1,406)	-	-	-	-	(3,117)
Other items	(21)	(1,273)	-	-	-	-	(1,294)
	(1,732)	(2,679)	-	-	-	-	(4,411)
Gross deferred tax assets							
Employee-related provisions	2,268	(12)	-	-	-	-	2,256
Provision for doubtful debts	3	1	-	-	-	-	12
Other items	372	827	305	-	-	-	1,496
	2,643	816	305	-	-	-	3,764
Net deferred tax assets/liabilities	911	(1,863)	305	-	-	-	(647)

30 June 2010							
Gross deferred tax liabilities							
Inventories	(2,246)	535	-	-	-	-	(1,711)
Other items	(26)	5	-	-	-	-	(21)
	(2,272)	540	-	-	-	-	(1,732)
Gross deferred tax assets							
Employee-related provisions	2,609	(341)	-	-	-	-	2,268
Deferred government grant	13	(13)	-	-	-	-	-
Provision for doubtful debts	11	(8)	-	-	-	-	3
Listing costs deductible over five years	174	(174)	-	-	-	-	-
Other items	210	467	(305)	-	-	-	372
	3,017	(69)	(305)	-	-	-	2,643
Net deferred tax assets/liabilities	745	471	(305)	-	-	-	911

Deferred tax assets of \$2,329 thousand (2010: \$2,849 thousand) from tax losses have not been brought to accounts as assets.

# **06 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES**

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Current		
Trade receivables	7,437	5,608
Provision for doubtful debts	(38)	(10)
	7,399	5,598
Sundry debtors and other debtors	987	872
Prepayments	1,562	2,636
Deposits and other assets	55	403
	10,003	9,509

Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and are generally on 30 day terms. A provision for doubtful debts is made when there is objective evidence that a trade receivable is impaired. The amount of the provision has been measured as the difference between the carrying amount of the trade receivables and the estimated future cash flows expected to be received from the relevant debtors. The Group has provided fully for all receivables deemed irrecoverable based on historical experience.

Before accepting new customers, the Group assesses the potential customer's credit quality and defines credit limits by customer. Limits attributed to customers are reviewed regularly.

Majority of the Group's revenue is derived from sales made through credit cards where counterparties are either banks or the credit card companies.

	2011	2010
	\$'000	\$'000
Ageing of past due but not impaired		
60 - 90 days	9	78
90 - 120 days or more	202	66
Total	211	144
Average age (days)	380	545
Movement in the provision for doubtful debts		
Balance at the beginning of the year	(10)	(35)
Impairment losses recognised on receivables	(28)	-
Amounts written off as uncollectible	-	25
Balance at the end of the year	(38)	(10)
Ageing of impaired trade receivables		
60 - 90 days	-	-
90 - 120 days	-	-
120+ days	(38)	(10)
Total	(38)	(10)
	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Non-current	\$ 000	<b>\$ 000</b>
Trade receivables – at amortised cost	6,927	3,932
	6,927	3,932

# **07 INVENTORIES**

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Current		
Consumable spares at cost	10,379	7,744

# **08 OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS**

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Non-current		
Investments at fair value	11	11
Foreign exchange asset	-	1,017
	11	1,028

# **09 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Aircraft	<b>Q</b> 000	Ψ 000
At cost	146,366	137,587
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(34,203)	(31,247
Net carrying value	112,163	106,340
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Other property, plant and equipment Rotable assets		
At cost	42,101	36,21
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(7,906)	(5,359
Net carrying value	34,195	30,85
	<del>04,</del> 130	30,030
Leasehold improvements		
At cost	1,227	1,10
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(721)	(499
Net carrying value	506	60
Motor vehicles		
At cost	2,346	87
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(559)	(479
let carrying value	1,787	39
Furniture and fittings		
At cost	1,288	1,40
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(642)	(651
let carrying value	646	75
Computer equipment		
At cost	1,873	1,75
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(1,257)	(1,080
let carrying value	616	672
Plant and equipment – ground service equipment		
At cost	8,076	7,65
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(4,428)	(3,822
let carrying value	3,648	3,829
and and buildings		
At cost	28,628	26,90
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(1,686)	(986
let carrying value	26,942	25,92
ingino		
ingines at cost	7,245	7,04
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(2,016)	(1,593
let carrying value	<b>5,229</b>	5,45
	0,223	0,40
ther property, plant and equipment		
otal other property, plant and equipment		
t cost	92,784	82,95
accumulated depreciation and impairment	(19,215)	(14,469
let carrying value	73,569	68,480
otal property, plant and equipment		
At cost	239,150	220,542
accumulated depreciation and impairment	(53,418)	(45,716
let carrying value	185,732	174,826

# **09 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)**

RECONCILIATIONS						
2011	Opening net carrying value \$'000	Additions \$'000	Disposals \$'000	Reclassification \$'000	Depreciation charge for the year \$'000	Closing net carrying value \$'000
Aircraft	106,340	18,301	(6,718)	-	(5,760)	112,163
Rotable assets	30,855	5,960	(15)	(51)	(2,554)	34,195
Leasehold improvements	607	121	-	-	(222)	506
Motor vehicles	393	1,597	(59)	-	(144)	1,787
Furniture and fittings	757	60	(26)	-	(145)	646
Computer equipment	672	288	(1)	-	(343)	616
Plant and equipment – ground service equipment	3,829	575	(14)	-	(742)	3,648
Land and buildings	25,922	1,720	-	-	(700)	26,942
Engines	5,451	317	(85)	-	(454)	5,229
Total property, plant and equipment	174,826	28,939	(6,918)	(51)	(11,064)	185,732

2010						
Aircraft	80,509	34,830	(2,320)	(742)	(5,937)	106,340
Rotable assets	23,174	9,368	(18)	-	(1,669)	30,855
Leasehold improvements	629	114	-	-	(136)	607
Motor vehicles	441	61	(24)	-	(85)	393
Furniture and fittings	503	398	-	-	(144)	757
Computer equipment	736	279	-	-	(343)	672
Plant and equipment – ground service equipment	2,361	2,208	-	-	(740)	3,829
Land and buildings	11,693	14,644	-	-	(415)	25,922
Engines	6,323	-	(310)	(112)	(450)	5,451
Total property, plant and equipment	126,369	61,902	(2,672)	(854)	(9,919)	174,826

No impairment loss has been recognised over items of property plant and equipment for the year ended 30 June 2011 (2010: nil).

# **10 GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS**

	Goodwill \$'000	Software and Development Cost \$'000
At 30 June 2011		
Cost	7,190	933
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	-	(648)
Net carrying amount	7,190	285
Total goodwill and intangible assets		7,475
Reconciliation		
At 1 July 2010, net of accumulated amortization	7,190	109
Additions	-	280
Amortisation at 30 June 2011	-	(104)
At 30 June 2011, net of accumulated amortization	7,190	285
Total goodwill and intangible assets		7,475
At 30 June 2010		
Cost	7,190	654
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	-	(545)
Net carrying amount	7,190	109
Total goodwill and intangible assets		7,299
Reconciliation		
At 1 July 2009, net of accumulated amortization	7,190	137
Additions	-	48
Amortisation at 30 June 2010	-	(76)
At 30 June 2010, net of accumulated amortization	7,190	109
Total goodwill and intangible assets		7,299

During the financial year, the Group assessed the recoverable amount of goodwill and determined that there was no impairment of goodwill.

Goodwill has been allocated for impairment testing purposes to the individual cash generating units as follows:

Air Link (\$'000) – Charter	58	
Air Link (\$'000) – Passenger routes	518	
Pel-Air (\$'000)	6,614	
Total (\$'000)	7,190	

### PEL-AII

Pel-Air was purchased by the Group in the financial periods 2006 (50%) and 2007 (50%). The recoverable amount of the Pel-Air cash-generating unit has been determined based on a 3% revenue growth with 2% cost escalation and appropriate capital investment, and a value in use calculation which uses cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by management covering a five-year period, and a discount rate of 13.25% p.a. Cash flows beyond that five year period will be extrapolated using a steady 3.1% p.a. growth rate.

### AIR LINE

Air Link is a regional passenger airline that was acquired by the Group in the 2006 financial year. The recoverable amount of the Air Link cash-generating unit is determined based on a 7.5% revenue growth with 2% cost escalation and appropriate capital investment, and a value in use calculation which uses cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by management covering a five-year period and a discount rate of 13.25% p.a. Cash flows beyond that five year period are extrapolated using a steady 3.1% p.a. growth rate.

# 11 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Current		
Trade payables	13,738	12,341
Other payables	5,662	5,926
Total	19,400	18,267

Trade payables are non-interest bearing and are normally settled on 7 to 30-day terms. Other payables are non-interest bearing and have an average term of 7 to 30 days.

# **12 BORROWINGS**

	Effective interest rate %	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Current			
Loan facility	7.2%	1,858	-
Non-current			
Loan facility	7.2%	27,142	26,000

The loan facility was used by VAA Pty Ltd to fund a number of aircraft assets. The liabilities are secured over the assets being funded the value of which exceeds the outstanding liability. The loan is repayable over 10 years commencing in the financial year 2012.

# **13 PROVISIONS**

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Current		
Employee benefits		
Profit share and bonus	2,317	2,137
Annual leave and long service leave	4,012	4,403
	6,329	6,540
Non-current Non-current		
Employee benefits		
Long service leave	510	427
Total employee benefits provisions	6,839	6,967

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Annual leave and long service leave		
Balance at the beginning of the year	4,830	6,093
Arising during the year	5,705	5,250
Utilised	(6,013)	(6,513)
Balance at the end of the year	4,522	4,830

# 14 OTHER LIABILITIES

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Current		
Unearned passenger and charter revenue	19,761	16,432
Unearned training revenue	695	494

# **15 ISSUED CAPITAL**

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Fully paid ordinary shares	74,659	74,659

Changes to the then Corporations Law abolished the authorised capital and par value concept in relation to share capital from 1 July 1998. Therefore, the Company does not have a limited amount of authorised capital and issued shares do not have a par value.

	2	2011		2010	
	No. '000	\$'000	No. '000	\$'000	
Fully paid ordinary shares					
Balance at 1 July	112,902	74,659	113,396	75,037	
Share buy-back	-	-	(494)	(377)	
Cost of share buy-back	-	-	-	(1)	
Balance at 30 June	112,902	74,659	112,902	74,659	

Fully paid ordinary shares carry one vote per share and carry the right to dividends.

During the Financial Year 2008, the Group executed a publicly announced share buy-back programme. All the shares purchased under the programme are cancelled. During the current year, no shares were bought back (2010: 494,000).

Share units held as reserved shares by subsidiary company was 1,533,539 (2010: 1,967,056).

# **16 RESERVES AND OTHER RESERVES**

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Reserved shares	(2,358)	(2,869)
Share-based payments reserve	607	533
Cash flow hedge reserve	-	712
General reserve	1,590	1,590
	(161)	(34)
Reserved shares		
Balance at 1 July	(2,869)	(3,241)
Purchase of shares on market	-	(117)
Share gift issued – gift	499	460
Share gift issued - salary sacrifice	12	29
Balance at 30 June	(2,358)	(2,869)

Reserved shares are ordinary shares in the Company which are re-acquired for later payment as employee share-based payment awards and are deducted from equity.

Share-based payments reserve		
Balance at 1 July	533	652
Share gift issued	(499)	(460)
Share gift plan provision	573	341
Balance at 30 June	607	533

The share-based payments reserve arises on the grant of shares to executives and employees under the employee share gift plan. Amounts are transferred out of the reserve and into issued capital when the shares are issued.

Rex has established the share gift plan for its executive directors and eligible employees. The share plan which has been offered since FY 2007 was offered to all the EBA groups and adopted by all the groups except the flight attendants who voted for an additional 0.45% increase of fixed salary in lieu of the 2% share plan. In FY 2010, the flight attendants have again opted for 3.5% increase of fixed salary in lieu of the 2% share gift. Additionally, groups which opted not to receive share gift in lieu of higher base salaries expanded to include the pilots and ASU EBA staff. The board has also decided that this plan will be offered to all non-EBA employees who are not the subject of an adverse recommendation by the Remuneration and Nomination Committee. This plan is not based on any performance measures as it was established to show its recognition of employees' contribution to Rex by providing an opportunity to share in its future growth and profitability and to align the interests of the employees more closely with the interests of the shareholders.

Eligible employees who accept an offer of shares under the share plan will be entitled to receive the equivalent of 2% of their base salary in shares each financial year until FY 2011. Such shares will be issued to eligible employees on the relevant award dates. Non eligible employees are given the opportunity to salary sacrifice amounts to acquire Rex shares, with allocation of shares equal to 2% of the their base salary.

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Cash flow hedge reserve		
Balance at 1 July	712	-
Gain arising during the year (net of tax)	-	712
Reclassification adjustment for amounts recognised in profit or loss (net of tax)	(712)	-
Balance at 30 June	-	712

The cash flow hedge reserve represents hedging gains and losses recognised on the effective portion of cash flow hedges. The cumulative deferred gain or loss on the hedge is recognised in profit or loss when the hedged transaction impacts the profit or loss, or is included as a basis adjustment to the non-financial hedged item, consistent with the applicable accounting policy.

General reserve		
Balance at 1 July	1,590	1,590
Balance at 30 June	1,590	1,590
Total other reserves	1,590	2,302

The general reserve is used from time to time to transfer profits from retained profits. There is no policy of regular transfer.

# 17 RETAINED EARNINGS

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Balance at 1 July	75,998	51,371
Dividends provided for or paid (Note 19)	(7,322)	-
Net profit for the year	17,593	24,627
Balance at 30 June	86,269	75,998

# **18 EARNINGS PER SHARE**

	2011 Cents per share	2010 Cents per share
Basic earnings per share		
From continuing operations	15.8	22.2
Total basic earnings per share	15.8	22.2
Diluted earnings per share		
From continuing operations	15.8	22.2
Total diluted earnings per share	15.8	22.2

### Basic earnings per share

The earnings and weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation of basic earnings per share (EPS) are as follows:

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Net profit	17,593	24,627
Earnings used in the calculation of basic EPS	17,593	24,627
Earnings used in the calculation of basic EPS from continuing operations	17,593	24,627

	2011 No.'000	2010 No.'000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic EPS	111,235	110,818

### Diluted earnings per share

The earnings and weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation of diluted EPS are as follows:

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Net profit	17,593	24,627
Earnings used in the calculation of diluted EPS	17,593	24,627
Earnings used in the calculation of diluted EPS from continuing operations	17,593	24,627

	2011 No.'000	2010 No.'000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted EPS	111,235	110,818

# 19 DIVIDENDS

	2011		2010		
	Cents per share	Total \$'000	Cents per share	Total \$'000	
Unrecognised amounts					
Dividends on fully paid ordinary shares proposed for approval at AGM:					
Fully franked final dividend	7.1	8,003	6.6	7,322	

In respect of financial year ended 30 June 2011, the directors have recommended a fully franked final dividend of 7.1 cents per share be paid to holders of fully paid ordinary shares. This dividend is subject to approval by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting and has not been included as a liability in these financial statements. If approved, the dividend will be paid to all shareholders on the Register of Members. The total estimated dividend to be paid is \$8,003 thousand.

Fully franked dividends paid in respect of the past financial years ended 30 June, were:

- FY 2010, 6.6 cents per share, paid on 30 November 2010
- FY 2009, nil

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Adjusted franking account balance	22,326	24,535
Franking credit / (debit) recognised that will arise from income tax		
payable/(recoverable) as at the end of financial year	2,460	(3,198)
Impact on franking account balance of dividends not recognised	(3,430)	(3,194)

# **20 COMMITMENTS FOR EXPENDITURE**

As at 30 June 2011, the Group has commitments of approximately \$1,000 thousand for aircraft maintenance parts. Previous year's commitments of \$4,000 thousand were mainly for equipping aircraft to fulfill the requirements of the contract to provide fixed wing air ambulance aircraft commencing on 1 July 2011.

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
(A) CAPITAL EXPENDITURE COMMITMENTS		
Property, plant and equipment		
Not longer than one year	1,000	4,000
	1,000	4,000
(B) NON-CANCELLABLE OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS		
Not longer than one year	7,077	9,111
Longer than one year and not longer than five years	3,869	13,540
	10,946	22,651

# **21 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT ASSETS**

As at 30 June 2011, no contingent liabilities or assets existed.

# **22 SUBSIDIARIES**

		Ownership interest			
Name of entity	Country of incorporation	2011 %	2010 %		
Parent entity					
Regional Express Holdings Limited	Australia				
Subsidiaries					
Regional Express Pty Limited	Australia	100	100		
Rex Freight & Charter Pty Limited	Australia	100	100		
Rex Investment Holdings Pty Limited	Australia	100	100		
Air Link Pty Limited	Australia	100	100		
Pel-Air Aviation Pty Limited	Australia	100	100		
Australian Airline Pilot Academy Pty Limited	Australia	100	100		
VAA Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100		

# **23 ACQUISITION OF BUSINESSES**

No business was acquired during the financial year.

# 24 NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

### (A) RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the statement of financial position as follows:

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Cash and bank balances	19,032	10,326

### (B) RECONCILIATION OF PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD TO NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Profit for the year	17,593	24,627
Depreciation and amortisation	11,168	9,995
Share-based payment	573	341
Difference in market value on share-based payment	6	29
Unrealised foreign exchange (gain)/loss	(202)	144
Loss on disposal of non-current assets	299	127
Movement in bad debt provision	28	25
Interest received and receivable	(1,159)	(406)
Decrease/(increase) in receivables	14	(1,232)
Decrease/(increase) in inventories	(2,635)	(257)
Increase/(decrease) in deferred tax	1,558	(166)
Increase/(decrease) in current tax	5,963	(5,791)
Increase/(decrease) in trade payables	1,133	3,098
Increase/(decrease) in provisions	(128)	(1,020)
Increase/(decrease) in other liabilities	201	494
	34,412	30,008

### (C) FINANCING FACILITIES

(a) The Arother Assistance						
	20	11	20	110		
	Used \$'000	Limit \$'000	Used \$'000	Limit \$'000		
Maximum facilities available and reviewed annually:						
Loan facility	29,000	29,000	26,000	30,000		
Merchant prepayments	-	8,100	-	8,100		
Term cash	-	-	3,250	3,750		
Tape negotiations authority	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900		
Letter of credit	1,398	1,809	1,758	1,809		
Set off	-	1,000	-	1,000		
Guarantee	3,792	3,950	912	950		
Exposure mitigation – Cash	-	3,380	-	380		
Mastercard	80	590	425	425		
	37,170	50,729	35,245	49,314		

The facilities are secured by the Group's operating cash flows and properties located in Adelaide, New South Wales at Don Kendell Drive Forest Hill, and Robey Street Mascot.

# 25 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

### (A) CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group manages its capital to ensure that the entities in the Group will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to stakeholders.

The Group's overall strategy remains unchanged from 2010.

The capital structure of the Group consists of debt as disclosed in Note 12. Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent comprises issued capital, reserves and retained earnings as disclosed in Notes 15, 16 and 17 respectively.

Operating cash flows are used to acquire assets required for the Group's operation, tax, dividends, share buy-backs and repayment of maturing debt. The Group's policy is to borrow centrally only if required.

### **GEARING RATIO**

The Group's Board reviews the capital structure on a semi-annual basis. As a part of this review the Board considers the cost of capital and the risks associated with each class of capital. The Board will balance its overall capital structure through the payment of dividends, new share issue and share buy-backs as well as the issue of new debt or the redemption of existing debt.

Following a successful tender, the Group was awarded the contract to provide fixed wing air ambulance aircraft to Ambulance Victoria. The Group took on a \$30 million loan facility to acquire and equip 4 King Air B200C aircraft to fulfill the requirements of the contract. The Group drew down \$26 million of the facility during the financial year 2010, and \$4 million during the financial year 2011. At the end of the financial year 2011, the loan was replaced by a \$29 million loan facility which is fixed-interest bearing and repayable over 10 years.

The net cash position at year end was as follows:

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Financial assets		
Debt®	(29,000)	(26,000)
Cash and cash equivalents	19,032	10,326
Excess of cash and cash equivalents over debt/(net debt)	(9,968)	(15,674)
Equity (ii)	160,767	150,623
Net debt to equity ratio	6.2%	10.4%

Debt is defined as long- and short-term borrowings, as detailed in Note 12.

### (B) CATEGORIES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Financial assets		
Loans and receivables	15,368	10,805
Cash and bank balances	19,032	10,326
Available-for-sale financial assets	21	21
Derivative instruments in designated hedge accounting relationships	-	1,017
Financial liabilities		
Amortised cost	48,400	44,267

### (C) FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

The Group's financial risk is essentially in US dollars (USD) exposure and hence its main objective is to minimize the impact of USD fluctuation on its operations through spot purchases and/or hedges of the USD currency. The use of these financial instruments is governed by the Group's policy approved by the Board of Directors, which provides written principles on foreign exchange risk. Compliance with policies and exposure limits is reviewed by the Audit and Corporate Governance Committee and the Board on an ongoing basis. The Group does not enter into trade or financial instruments, including derivative financial instruments, for speculative purposes. The Treasury function, which co-ordinates the hedging of foreign currency risks, is managed by the Group's Finance Department and reports regularly to the Board and Audit and Corporate Governance Committee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>®</sup> Equity includes all capital and reserves of the Group that are managed as capital.

# 25 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

### (D) FOREIGN CURRENCY RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group undertakes certain transactions denominated in USD, hence exposures to exchange rate fluctuations arise. Exchange rate exposures are managed using forward foreign exchange contracts.

The carrying amount of the Group's foreign currency denominated monetary assets and monetary liabilities at the reporting date is as follows:

Liab	ilities	Ass	ets
2011 USD'000	2010 USD'000	2011 USD'000	2010 USD'000
2,436	1,839	2,553	317

### FOREIGN CURRENCY SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

The Group is mainly exposed to USD for the following main purchases, approximate amounts per annum are:

- USD 11 million for engine care and maintenance
- USD 11 million for engineering purchases
- USD 8 million for operating leases
- USD 5 million for airline reservation systems usage
- USD 1 million for aircraft insurance policies

The Group is also exposed to fuel price risk which is nominally denominated in USD. The Group does not consider that this is a foreign currency risk as the final cost of fuel in AUD forms the basis for the determination of the fuel levy which is charged to the passenger when deemed necessary.

The following table details the Group's sensitivity to a 10% increase and 10% decrease in the Australian Dollar against the USD. The sensitivity analysis includes only outstanding foreign currency denominated monetary items and adjusts their translation at the period end for a 10% change in foreign currency rates. A positive number indicates an increase in profit or loss and other equity where the Australian Dollar strengthens against the respective currency. For a weakening of the Australian Dollar against the respective currency there would be an equal and opposite impact on the profit and other equity, and the balances below would be negative.

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Profit or loss	1	179

The Group's sensitivity to foreign currency is negligible due to the almost equal level of USD denominated monetary assets and liabilities.

### FORWARD FOREIGN EXCHANGE CONTRACTS

The Group may enter into forward foreign exchange contracts to manage the risk associated with anticipated sales and purchase transactions up to twelve months and up to 100% of the exposure generated. Basis adjustments are made to the carrying amounts of non-financial hedged items when the anticipated sale or purchase transaction takes place.

The following table details the forward foreign currency contracts outstanding as at reporting date:

	Average exc	change rate	Foreign (	currency	Contrac	t value	Fair v	alue
Outstanding Contracts	2011	2010	2011 USD'000	2010 USD'000	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Buy USD								
Less than 12 months	1.004	0.8473	11,000	20,377	10,562	24,372	227	(669)
Sell USD								
Less than 12 months	1.007	0.8700	500	24,000	497	27,568	(33)	1,705

### (E) INTEREST RATE RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group has very little exposure to interest rate risk as its borrowings detailed in Note 12 are at a fixed interest rate. As such the Group does not hedge its interest rate exposure. The Group's exposures to interest rates on financial assets and financial liabilities are detailed in the liquidity risk management section of this note.

### (F) CREDIT RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group has limited exposure to credit risk as the majority of its revenue is derived from sales made through credit cards where counterparties are either banks or the credit card companies. The disputes to the credit card charges amount to less than \$10,000 a year.

The Group does not have any significant credit risk exposure to any single counterparty or any group of counterparties having similar characteristics. The credit risk on liquid funds and derivative financial instruments is limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit-ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies.

### (G) LIQUIDITY RISK MANAGEMENT

Ultimate responsibility for liquidity risk management rests with the Board of Directors, who has built an appropriate liquidity risk management framework for the management of the Group's short, medium and long-term funding and liquidity management requirements. The Group's operating activities generate positive annual cash flow. The Group tries to maintain a \$10 million cash balance by the end of each financial year. As and when required, the Group uses financing facilities as detailed in Note 24.

### LIQUIDITY AND INTEREST RISK TABLES

The following tables detail the Group's remaining contractual maturity for its non-derivative financial liabilities. The amounts disclosed are based on the contractual undiscounted principal and interest cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the Group can be required to pay. The table includes both interest and principal cash flows.

	Weighted average effective interest rate %	1 month \$'000	1-3 months \$'000	3 months to a year \$'000	1-5 years \$'000	5+ years \$'000
2011						
Non-interest bearing	-	19,400	-	-	-	-
Interest bearing	9.1%	369	739	3,324	17,726	22,157
		19,769	739	3,324	17,726	22,157
2010						
Non-interest bearing	-	18,268	-	-	-	-
Interest bearing	5.5%	163	325	1,463	15,892	23,837
		18,431	325	1,463	15,892	23,837

The following table details the Group's expected maturity for its non-derivative financial assets. The amounts disclosed are based on the undiscounted contractual maturities of the financial assets including interest that will be earned on those assets except where the Group anticipates that the cash flow will occur in a different period.

	Weighted average effective interest rate %	1 month \$'000	1-3 months \$'000	3 months to a year \$'000	1-5 years \$'000	5+ years \$'000
2011						
Non-Interest bearing	-	30	64	309	1,333	101
Interest bearing	5.0%	15	64	367	3,147	1,036
		45	128	676	4,480	1,137
2010						
Non-Interest bearing	-	22	44	216	1,029	131
Interest bearing	5.0%	11	36	207	2,077	1,017
		33	80	423	3,106	1,148

The following table details the Group's liquidity analysis for its derivative financial instruments. The table has been drawn up based on the undiscounted net cash inflows/(outflows) on the derivative instrument that settle on a net basis and the undiscounted gross inflows/(outflows) on those derivatives that require gross settlement.

Apart from what is tabled below which are the Group's financial instruments, the Group does not hold any other derivative financial instruments.

	1 month \$'000	1-3 months \$'000	3 months to a year \$'000
2011			
Gross settled:			
Forward exchange contracts	948	5,723	3,394
2010			
Gross settled:			
Forward exchange contracts	-	-	3,214

### (H) FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Directors consider that the carrying amounts of the financial assets and financial liabilities recorded at the amortised cost in the financial statements approximates their fair values.

# **26 KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION**

The aggregate compensation made to directors and other members of key management personnel of the Group is set out below:

	2011 \$	2010 \$
Short-term benefits	1,339,212	1,281,531
Post-employment benefits	114,816	109,143
Share-based payment	21,360	21,252
	1,475,388	1,411,926

# **27 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

### (A) EQUITY INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

Details of interests in subsidiaries are disclosed in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

### (B) TRANSACTIONS WITH KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

### (i) KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION

Details of key management personnel compensation are disclosed in Note 26 to the consolidated financial statements.

### (ii) LOANS TO KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

There have been no loans made to key management personnel.

### (iii) KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL EQUITY HOLDINGS

The following table details the shareholdings (total of direct and indirect shareholdings) of directors and key management personnel in the Group:

	Balance at 1 July 2010	Shares gifted during the year	Balance at 30 June 2011
Directors:			
Lim Kim Hai	24,236,143	-	24,236,143
The Hon. John Sharp	400,000	-	400,000
James Davis	194,911	2,734	197,645
Russell Hodge	1,124,000	-	1,124,000
David Miller	92,383	2,150	94,533
Lee Thian Soo	11,449,362	-	11,449,362
Chris Hine	163,449	2,580	166,029
Key management personnel:			
Warrick Lodge	132,572	2,322	134,894
Irwin Tan	8,528	2,150	10,678
Dale Hall	23,819	1,953	25,772
Garry Filmer	8,109	1,892	10,001
Mayooran Thanabalasingham	61,106	2,150	63,256

During the financial year, no options were granted to (2010: nil), nor exercised by (2010: nil) key management personnel for ordinary Rex shares. No options remained unpaid or to be exercised at the year end.

# **28 REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS**

	2011 \$	2010 \$
Audit and review of the consolidated financial report	241,000	213,000
Other non-audit services - tax compliance	150,000	54,000
	391,000	267,000

The auditor of the Group is Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu.

# 29 EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

On 29 June 2011, Pel-Air Aviation executed a deed with the Commonwealth of Australia to extend the current contract to provide Jet Aircraft Services for ADF Training Support by 3 months till 30 September 2011.

Pel-Air Aviation successfully commenced operations under the contract with Ambulance Victoria for the provision of fixed wing air ambulance services out of Essendon Airport.

On 17 July 2011, The Australian Airline Pilot Academy executed a contract with Alpha Aviation Academy (Alpha) to train cadets from the United Arab Emirates (UAE). The first 6 Alpha cadets from the UAE started their training on 8 August 2011.

# **30 SEGMENT INFORMATION**

AASB 8 requires operating segments to be identified on the basis of internal reports about components of the Group that are regularly reviewed by the chief operating decision maker in order to allocate resources to the segment and to assess its performance.

Information reported to the Group's Chief Executive Officer for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of performance is more specifically focused on the category of customer for each type of service. The Group's reportable segments under AASB 8 are therefore as follows:

- Regular public transport revenue
- Charter revenue
- Training revenue

Information regarding these segments is presented below. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies.

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable operating segment for the year:

	Revenue		Segmer	nt result
	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Continuing operations				
Regular public transport revenue	213,016	198,870	28,883	28,593
Charter revenue	22,199	27,643	(70)	2,747
Training revenue	3,273	1,924	(418)	(284)
	238,488	228,437	28,395	31,056
Finance income	1,159	406	1,159	406
Other income	-	-	1,367	949
Central administration costs and directors' salaries			(6,826)	(6,097)
Finance costs			-	(60)
Profit before tax			24,095	26,254
Income tax expense			(6,502)	(1,627)
Consolidated segment revenue and profit	239,647	228,843	17,593	24,627

The revenue reported above represents revenue generated from external customers. There were no intersegment sales.

Segment result represents the profit/(loss) of each segment without allocation of central administration costs and directors' salaries. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision maker for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

# 30 SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

The following is an analysis of the Group's assets by reportable operating segment as at the end of the year:

	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Continuing operations		
Regular public transport assets	185,127	166,001
Charter assets	45,915	44,325
Training assets	8,527	8,457
Total assets	239,569	218,783

Other segment information for the year is as follows:

	Depreciation a	Depreciation and amortisation		-current assets
	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Regular public transport	8,592	7,309	19,783	25,193
Charter	2,347	2,544	9,372	32,354
Training	229	142	64	4,402
	11,168	9,995	29,219	61,949

# 31 PARENT ENTITY DISCLOSURES

		2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
(A)	Financial position		
	Assets		
	Current assets	30,743	24,889
	Non-current assets	154,384	143,855
	Total assets	185,127	168,744
	Liabilities		
	Current liabilities	43,361	36,673
	Non-current liabilities	-	-
	Total liabilities	43,361	36,673
	Equity		
	Issued capital	74,659	74,659
	Retained earnings	66,371	56,014
	Share-based payments reserve	420	370
	Cash flow hedge reserve	-	712
	General reserve	316	316
	Total equity	141,766	132,071
(B)	Financial performance		
	Profit for the year	17,891	20,082
	Other comprehensive income	(712)	712
	Total comprehensive income	17,179	20,794

### (C) Guarantees entered into by the parent entity in relation to the debts of its subsidiaries

During the financial year, the parent entity entered into a deed of cross guarantee in relation to the debts of Pel-Air Aviation Pty Ltd, Rex Freight and Charter Pty Ltd, Rex Investment Holdings Pty Ltd and Australian Airline Pilot Academy Pty Ltd.

By entering into the deed, the wholly owned entities have been relieved from the requirements to prepare a financial report and directors' report under Class Order 98/1418 (as amended) issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ('ASIC').

The above companies represent a 'Closed Group' for the purposes of the Class Order, and as there are no other parties to the Deed of Cross Guarantee that are controlled by Regional Express Holdings Limited, they also represent the 'Extended Closed Group'.

The statement of comprehensive income and statement of financial position of the 'Closed Group' can be found in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income and statement of financial position along with the note on Regional Express Holdings Limited as parent found in note 31 (A) and (B).

### (D) Contingent liabilities of the parent entity

As at 30 June 2011, no contingent liabilities or assets existed (2010: nil).

### (E) Commitments for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment by the parent entity

As at 30 June 2011, the parent entity has commitments of approximately \$1,000 thousand for aircraft maintenance parts payable within one year.

# **DIRECTORS' DECLARATION**

The directors declare that:

- (a) in the directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable;
- (b) the attached financial statements are in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as stated in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements;
- (c) in the directors' opinion, the attached financial statements and notes thereto are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including compliance with accounting standards and giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the consolidated entity; and
- (d) the directors have been given the declarations required by s.295A of the Corporations Act 2001.

At the date of this declaration, the Company is within the class of companies affected by ASIC Class Order 98/1418. The nature of the deed of cross guarantee is such that each company which is party to the deed guarantees to each creditor payment in full of any debt in accordance with the deed of cross guarantee.

In the directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company and the Companies to which the ASIC Class Order applies, as detailed in note 31 to the financial statements will, as a group, be able to meet any obligations or liabilities to which they are, or may become, subject by virtue of the deed of Cross guarantee.

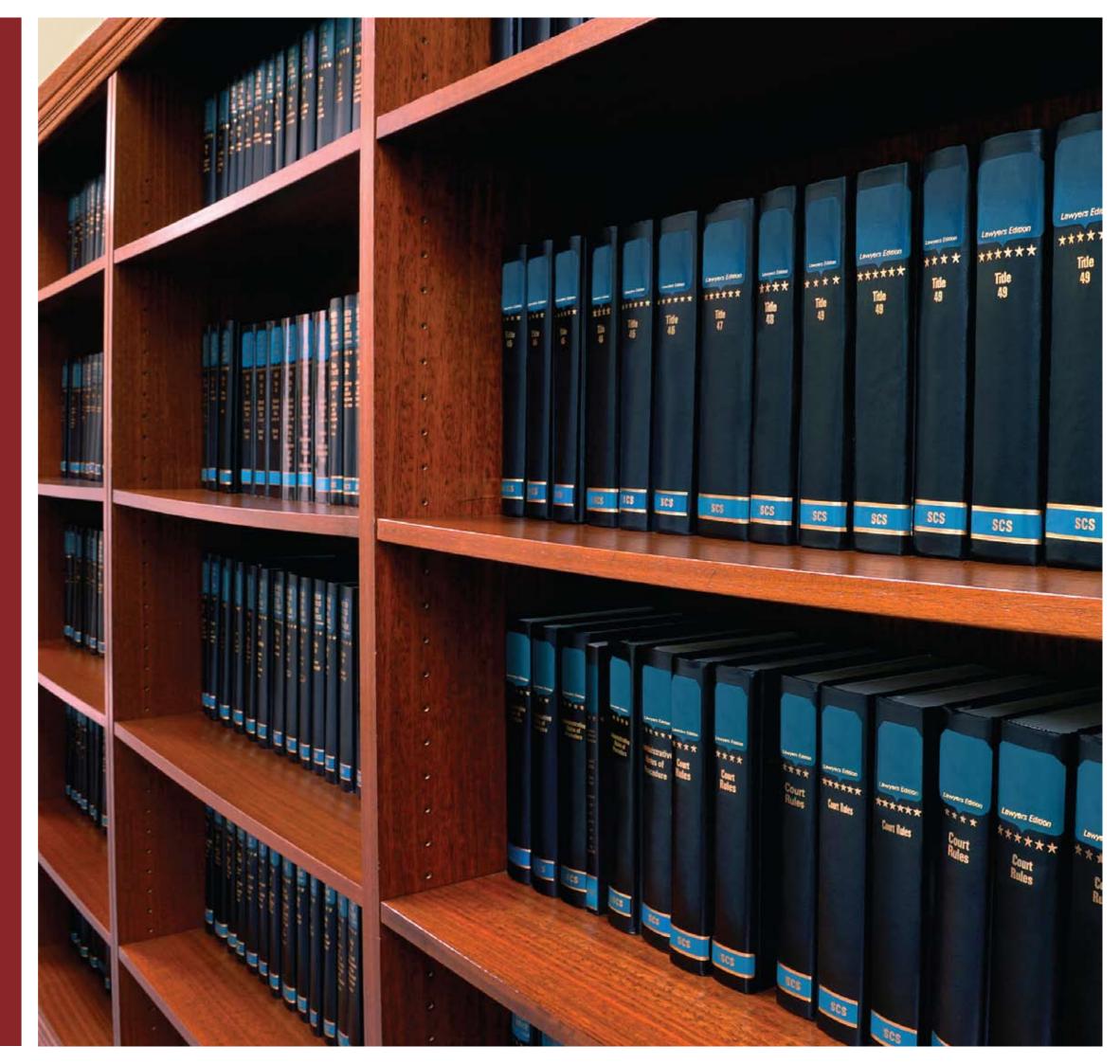
Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors made pursuant to s.295(5) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the Directors

Chris Hine

Chief Operating Officer Sydney, 24 August 2011 This page has been intentionally left blank

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# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Regional Express Holdings Limited

### **Report on the Financial Report**

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Regional Express Holdings Limited, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2011 and the income statement, statement of comprehensive income, the statement of cash flows and the statement of changes in equity for the year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration of the consolidated entity comprising the company and the entities it controlled at the year's end or from time to time during the financial year as set out on pages 26 to 64.

### Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In Note 2, the directors also state, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*, that the financial statements comply with International Financial Reporting Standards.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control, relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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Auditor's Independence Declaration

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of Regional Express Holdings Limited, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report

### Opinion

In our opinion:

- (a) the financial report of Regional Express Holdings Limited is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - (i) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2011 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*; and
- (b) the financial report also complies with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 2.

### **Report on the Remuneration Report**

We have audited the Remuneration Report included in Note 19 of the directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2011. The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Remuneration Report in accordance with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Remuneration Report, based on our audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

### Opinion

In our opinion the Remuneration Report of Regional Express Holdings Limited for the year ended 30 June 2011, complies with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

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Catherine Hill Partner Chartered Accountants

Sydney, 24 August 2011

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The Board is committed to sound corporate governance to ensure shareholder expectations are met and that Regional Express Holdings (the Company) is in compliance with the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) Corporate Governance Council's Principles of Good Corporate Governance and Best Practice Recommendations (ASX Recommendations).

As required by the ASX Listing Rules this statement sets out the extent to which the Company has complied with the ASX Recommendations during the financial year to 30 June 2009 and identifies any of the ASX Recommendations not followed and the reason why the Company has not adopted the ASX Recommendations. This statement adopts the ordering and numbering of the ASX Recommendations.

### PRINCIPLE 1: LAY SOLID FOUNDATION FOR MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT

The Board has adopted a charter that details the roles and responsibilities of the Board and its members and their relationship with the Management Committee to achieve the objectives of delivering shareholder value. The Board's Charter, Board Committee Charters, Continuous Disclosure Policy and Code of Conduct are available for access by shareholders and the general public in the corporate governance section of the Company's website. (ASX Recommendation 1.1)

The performance of each Management Committee member is evaluated against goals and objectives at least once a year with the assistance of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee (ASX Recommendation 1.2). The performance of the Management Committee was reviewed in FY 2009 (ASX Recommendation 1.3).

### PRINCIPLE 2: STRUCTURE THE BOARD TO ADD VALUE

The skills, experience and expertise relevant to the position of director held by each director in office at the date of the annual report are set out in the Director's Report.

The membership of the Board during the year ended 30 June 2011, including independence status was as follows:

Director	Status	Date of Appointment
Lim Kim Hai	Executive Chairman	Appointed 27 June 2003 and re-appointed on the 16 November 2006 and 25 November 2009
The Hon. John Sharp	Deputy Chairman and Independent Director	Appointed 14 April 2005 and reappointed 19 November 2008
James Davis	Managing Director	Appointed 26 August 2004 as executive director and appointed managing director on 27 May 2008
Chris Hine	Chief Operating Officer	Appointed 1 March 2011
Lee Thian Soo	Non-Executive Director	Appointed 27 June 2003 and re-appointed on the 16 November 2006 and 25 November 2009
Ronald Bartsch	Independent Director	Appointed 23 November 2010
Russell Hodge	Independent Director	Appointed 9 September 2005 and reappointed 19 November 2008 Retired 14 June 2011
David Miller	Executive Director	Appointed 28 February 2007 and reappointed on 15 November 2007 Retired 1 March 2011

The Board acknowledges the ASX Recommendation that a majority of the Board should be independent directors (ASX Recommendation 2.1). Although the Board has only two directors out of eight that qualify as independent non-executive directors, Lee Thian Soo is non-executive and is only considered non independent by virtue of his share ownership. David Miller is only involved in management of a very small part of the business. The Board believes that every director on the current Board will make decisions in the best interests of all shareholders and in accordance with their duties as directors.

The Board also acknowledges that it is desirable that the Chairman be an independent director and for his role to be segregated from that of the chief executive officer (ASX Recommendation 2.2 and 2.3), however, the Board views the Chairman's history of leadership of the Company as an advantage, both at the management level and at the Board level that has resulted in performance that matches that of the best airlines in the world.

The Board is responsible for the management of the affairs of the Company and its subsidiaries (the Group), including:

### (A) Strategic and financial performance

- Developing and approving the corporate strategy.
- Evaluating, approving and monitoring the strategic and financial plans and objectives of the Group.
- Evaluating, approving and monitoring the annual budgets and business plans.
- Determining the Company's dividend policy, the operation of the Company's dividend re-investment plan (if any), and the amount and timing of all dividends.
- Evaluating, approving and monitoring major capital expenditure, capital management and all major acquisitions, divestitures and other corporate transactions, including the issue of securities of the Company.
- Approving all accounting policies, financial reports and material reporting and external communications by the Group.
- Appointment of the Chairman of the Company.

### (B) Executive management

- Appointing, monitoring, managing the performance of the Chief Executive Officer or Managing Director and other executive directors.
- Managing succession planning for the executive directors and such other key management positions which may be identified from time to time.
- Appointing the Company Secretary.
- With the advice and assistance of the Remuneration & Nomination Committee, reviewing and approving the performance and remuneration of the individual Board members and policies with respect to remuneration of any employees.

### (C) Audit

- Upon the recommendation of the Audit and Corporate Governance Committee, appointing the external auditor and determining its remuneration and terms of appointment.
- Ensuring that effective audit and regulatory compliance programmes are in place to protect the Group's assets and shareholder value.
- Approving and monitoring the Group's audit framework. Approving and, with the assistance and advice of the Audit and Governance Committee, monitoring compliance with the Group's audit policies and protocol.
- Monitoring the Group's operations in relation to, and compliance with relevant regulatory and legal requirements.

### (D) Corporate governance

At least once per year the Board will, with the assistance and advice of the Audit and Corporate Governance Committee, review the performance and effectiveness of the Company's corporate governance policies and procedures and, if appropriate, amend those policies and procedures as necessary.

The Board will review and approve all disclosures related to any departures from the ASX Principles of Good Corporate Governance.

- The Board will review and approve the public disclosure of any of the Group's policies and procedures.
- The Board will supervise the public disclosure of all matters that the law and ASX Listing Rules require to be publicly disclosed, consistent with the Continuous Disclosure Compliance Policy approved by the Board.
- The Board will approve the appointment of directors to committees established by the Board.
- The Board will approve and monitor delegations of authority.

### (E) Risk managemen

The Company recognises that the management of business and economic risk is an integral part of its operations and has for many years integrated risk management processes into its operations to ensure continuity of the business and to minimise any impact on its performance. The Board has established a sound system of risk oversight and management and internal control which involve the Safety and Risk Management Committee and the Audit and Corporate Governance Committee.

- Ensuring that effective risk management programmes are in place to protect the Group's assets and shareholder value.
- · Approving and monitoring the Group's risk framework, including (but not limited to) systems of risk management and internal control.
- · Approving and, with the assistance and advice of the Risk Management Committee, monitoring compliance with the Group's risk.

The Charters of both committees are available on the Company's website.

### (F) Strategic planning

- The Board will be actively and regularly involved in strategic planning.
- Strategic planning will be based on the identification of opportunities and the full range of business risks that will determine which of those opportunities are most worth pursuing.
- The Board will, on an ongoing basis, review how the strategic environment is changing, what key business risks and opportunities are appearing, how they are being managed and what, if any, modifications in strategic direction should be adopted.

### (G) Performance evaluation

- At least once per year the Board will, with the advice and assistance of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee, review and evaluate the performance of the Board, each Board Committee, and each individual director against the relevant Charters, corporate governance policies, and agreed goals and objectives. (Recommendation 2.5)
- Following each review and evaluation the Board will consider how to improve its performance.
- The Board will agree and set the goals and objectives for the Board and its Committees each year, and if necessary, amend the relevant Charters and policies.
- With the advice and assistance of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee, the Board will review and approve the remuneration of the Company's executive and non-executive directors.

The evaluation of the Board, its committees and directors was carried out during the financial year as set out above.

A Director of the Company is entitled to seek independent professional advice (including, but not limited to, legal, accounting and financial advice) at the Company's expense on any matter connected with the discharge of his or her responsibilities, in accordance with the procedures and subject to the conditions set out in the Board Charter.

The Remuneration and Nomination Committee has been established by the Board of the Company (ASX recommendation 2.4 and 8.1) and applies to the Company and its subsidiaries to support and advise the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities to shareholders, employees and other stakeholders of the Company by endeavouring to ensure that:

- the directors and senior management of the Group are remunerated fairly and appropriately;
- the Group's remuneration policies and outcomes strike an appropriate balance between the interests of the Company's shareholders, and rewarding and motivating the Group's executives and employees in order to secure the long term benefits of their energy and loyalty;
- the human resources policies and practices are consistent with and complementary to the strategic direction and objectives of the Company as determined by the Board;
- review and advise the Board on the composition of the Board and its Committees;
- review the performance of the Board, the chairman of the Board, the executive and non-executive directors, and other individual members of the Board; and
- ensure that proper succession plans are in place for consideration by the Board.

This Committee is chaired by the Hon. John Sharp and has one other member, James Davis. The Committee had two meetings during the financial year attended by all members of the Committee. Descriptions of the members' qualifications, skills and experience are included in the Directors'

The Board acknowledges the ASX recommendations to have the Committee compose of a majority of independent directors and have at least 3 members.

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# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

### (G) Performance evaluation (Continued)

The Committee is currently made up of two directors. The Board feels at this stage that two members are sufficient for the Remuneration and Nomination committee given the size of the Company and Board.

The Remuneration and Nomination Committee has a formal Charter which is available on the Company's website.

### PRINCIPLE 3: PROMOTE ETHICAL AND RESPONSIBLE DECISION MAKING

Directors and the Management Committee are required to maintain the highest legal, moral and ethical standards of conduct. The Board has adopted the Code of Conduct which provides guidance to all staff on compliance with legal and other obligations (ASX Recommendation 3.1).

The Company has established a Share Trading Policy. Under this policy, Directors and Management Committee are prohibited from trading in securities of the Company without prior approval from the Board (ASX Recommendation 3.2).

The Code of Conduct and Share Trading Policy are available on the Company's website (ASX Recommendation 3.3).

### PRINCIPLE 4: SAFEGUARD INTEGRITY IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

The Audit and Corporate Governance Committee has been established by the Board of the Company (ASX recommendation 4.1) to assist the Board in fulfilling its commitment to ensure the integrity of the Company's financial reports and Corporate Governance policies:

- assisting the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities for the financial reporting process, the system of internal control relating to all matters affecting the Group's financial performance, the audit process, and the Company's process for monitoring compliance with laws and regulations and the code of conduct;
- advising the Board on good governance standards and appropriate corporate governance policies for the Group; and
- critically reviewing the Group's performance against its corporate governance policies.

This Committee is chaired by Lee Thian Soo and has one other member, the Hon. John Sharp. Descriptions of the members' qualifications, skills and experience are included in the Directors' Report. The Committee had two meetings during the financial year attended by all members of the Committee

The Board acknowledges the ASX recommendations to have the Committee compose of a majority of independent directors, is chaired by an independent director and have at least three members (ASX Recommendation 4.2).

The Committee is currently made up of two non-executive directors of which one is non-independent. This director, who is also the chair of the committee, is only considered non-independent by virtue of his share ownership. The Board feels that the directors in the audit committee will make decisions that are in the best interests of the shareholders in their duties as audit committee members and directors of the company. The Board also feels at this stage that two members are sufficient for the audit committee given the size of the company and Board.

The Audit and Corporate Governance Committee has a formal Charter which is available on the Company's website (ASX Recommendation 4.3).

### PRINCIPLE 5: MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISCLOSURE

The Company complies with the continuous disclosure obligations of the ASX Listing Rules and, in doing so, immediately notifies the market of any material price sensitive information. The Company has adopted and implemented a Continuous Disclosure Policy which sets out the procedure for the identification of material price sensitive information and reporting of such information to the company secretaries for review (ASX Recommendations 5.1 and 5.2). The Continuous Disclosure Policy is available on the Company's website.

### PRINCIPLE 6: RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF SHAREHOLDERS

It is the Company's policy that the principal communication with shareholders apart from the Company website, is the provision of the Annual Report, including the Financial Statements, quarterly investor briefings and the Annual General Meeting (and any extraordinary meetings held by the Company). Shareholders are encouraged to participate in quarterly investor briefings either by attendance or by dialling in through the Company's teleconferencing facilities and are invited to put questions to the Chairman of the Board in that forum. The Company's website provides additional information and greater detail about the Company, including ASX and media releases and access to statements regarding corporate governance related matters (ASX Recommendation 6.1).

The directors have ensured that the Company's External Auditor attends all Annual General Meetings and is available to answer shareholders' questions about the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the Auditor's report thereon.

### PRINCIPLE 7: RECOGNISE AND MANAGE RISK

The Company has integrated risk management processes into its operations to ensure continuity of the business and to minimise any impact on its performance.

The Board has established policies for a sound system of risk oversight and management and internal control which involve the Safety and Risk Management Committee (Recommendation 7.1).

The Safety and Risk Management Committee has been established by the Board of the Company and applies to the Company and its subsidiaries to support and advise the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities to shareholders, employees and other stakeholders of the Company by:-

- assisting the Board in fulfilling its development, oversight and review responsibilities for the safety culture and safety management processes as defined by the separate safety policies published for each Air Operator Certificate holder within the Group; and
- implementing and supervising the Group's operational risk assessment framework

Ron Bartsch took over as chair of the Committee from Russell Hodge from the beginning of 2011. With the retirement of David Miller from the Board Jim Davis is now the other Board member on the Committee. Descriptions of the members' qualifications, skills and experience are included in the Directors' Report.

The Safety and Risk Management Committee has a formal Charter which sets out the responsibilities of the Committee as well as the Company's policies on risk oversight and management. The Charter is available on the Company's website.

The Board reviews the safety and risk management report prepared by the Group's Safety Manager at each Board meeting (ASX Recommendation 7.2).

The Managing Director and the GM Corporate Services who oversees the finance department provide written assurance to the Board as to the integrity of the financial statements and that they are founded on a sound system of risk management and internal controls which are operating effectively and efficiently (ASX Recommendation 7.3).

The Board acknowledges the ASX Recommendation to have the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer provide this statement to the Board. The Board believes that it is appropriate for the Managing Director and GM Corporate Services to provide the statement.

### PRINCIPLE 8: REMUNERATE FAIRLY AND RESPONSIBLY

The Board has established a Remuneration and Nomination Committee. The membership, responsibilities and number of meetings held have been set out under Principle 2. Also set out under Principle 2 is the explanation as to why the membership of the Committee differs from the ASX Recommendations.

Details of the Board and Management Committee remuneration structures are contained in the Remuneration Report (ASX Recommendation 8.2 and 8.3).

# **ASX ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS AT 23 AUGUST 2011**

This is required by the ASX, but falls outside of the audit opinion and therefore has no impact on the audit report issued.

### NUMBER OF HOLDERS OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Ordinary share capital

111,542,198 fully paid ordinary shares are held by 2,780 individual shareholders.

All issued ordinary shares carry one vote per share and carry the rights to dividends.

### DISTRIBUTION OF HOLDERS OF EQUITY SECURITIES

	Fully Paid Ordinary Shares				
	Investors	Securities	Issued Capital (%)		
1 – 1,000	707	410,000	0.37		
1,001 – 5,000	1,404	3,761,437	3.37		
5,001 – 10,000	301	2,494,057	2.24		
10,001 – 100,000	316	9,201,651	8.25		
100,001 and over	52	95,675,053	85.77		
Total	2,780	111,542,198	100.00		

### SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

	Fully Paid	
Ordinary Shareholders	Number	Percentage
Mr Kim Hai Lim	18,480,630	16.57%
Mr Joe Tiau Tjoa	16,234,094	14.55%
Thian Soo Lee	7,722,181	6.92%
Ming Yew See Toh & Hui Ing Tjoa	7,454,362	6.68%
Joo Chye Chua	7,454,362	6.68%
Ms Hui Ling Tjoa	5,755,513	5.16%

### TWENTY LARGEST HOLDERS OF QUOTED EQUITY SECURITIES

	Fully Paid	
Ordinary Shareholders	Number	Percentage
Mr Kim Hai Lim	18,480,630	16.57%
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Ms Hui Ling Tjoa	5,755,513	5.16%
Lay Khim Ng	3,727,181	3.34%
Rex Investment Holdings Pty Limited	2,842,370	2.55%
Citicorp Nominees Pty Limited	2,804,219	2.51%
RBC Dexia Investor Services Australia Nominees Pty Limited	2,191,219	1.96%
J P Morgan Nominees Australia Limited	1,934,288	1.73%
Mirrabooka Investments Limited	1,765,656	1.58%
Mr Thian Song Tjoa	1,382,046	1.24%
Mr Kok Leong Lee	1,262,083	1.13%
National Nominees Limited	1,038,954	0.93%
SCJ Pty Ltd	1,000,000	0.90%
Mastar Pty Limited	900,000	0.81%
Brazil Farming Pty Ltd	850,000	0.76%
Jowong Pty Limited	846,950	0.76%
Gwynvill Trading Pty Limited	800,000	0.72%



# **REX GROUP OF COMPANIES:**







