

THE *reX*. STORY

The First 10 Years



ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

REGIONAL EXPRESS HOLDINGS LIMITED

Regional Express Value Statement

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

Customer

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.

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.

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.

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 bad 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.

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.

LEST WE FORGET

The Financial Year marks the tenth year since Rex was salvaged from the collapse of Ansett. As part of our 10th anniversary celebrations we published a coffee table book that tells the Rex story.

One section is devoted to the accounts of sacrificial and heroic sacrifices by staff of Kendell and Hazelton during the period of administration to save the airlines.

One account in particular epitomises this indomitable spirit. When John Anderson, then Transport Minister, visited Wagga Wagga, he tried to reassure the staff that they would all be paid their entitlements.

A heavily pregnant Amanda Myers, wife of Wagga Wagga based Capt Jason Myers, stood up and said: "Keep the entitlements. Use this to save our airlines."

Just as in the case of the heroic hawkler in Tunisia who by his self-immolation set off the Arab Spring that led to the toppling of dictators in Tunisia, Libya, Egypt (and perhaps Syria), the passionate and desperate plea by Amanda, together with initiatives undertaken by hundreds of other staff, set off a chain of events that resulted in Rex being where it is today.

Ten years on, Capt. Jason Myers is still with Rex and so are those who gave their accounts. One thousand other families can count on Rex for their livelihoods. And even as almost every blue chip airline, be it Singapore Airlines, Lufthansa, Air France, Emirates or Qantas, reported profits plunging more than 60% or even losses, I feel humbled and blessed that Rex is able to report a year of record profit.

It was a battle truly worth fighting.

Yet Rex too will not be spared in the months ahead as the whole world approaches the brink of not just a recession but a depression. All economic indicators point to a sharp slowing down in China. Japan, a traditional strong exporter, reported a record trade deficit in the first half of 2012. In Europe the PIIGS countries take turns to drag down the Eurozone. America will be paralysed until the presidential elections and after that it will be too late to harness bi-partisan support to tackle the fiscal cliff. No prizes for guessing what will happen to Australia.

I believe that Rex can, God willing, survive the cataclysmic period ahead just as we have survived the last decade of drought, middle eastern wars, SARS, fuel price escalations, pilot shortage, GFC, volcanic ash, Eurozone crisis.... Our fundamentals are solid with no debt burden and with cash holdings of over \$40 m. More importantly, we have a collective DNA that makes us work harder and make more sacrifices than anyone else because we have not forgotten why we were spared the tragedy that befell 16,000 other Ansett staff.

And when we see this through, I hope the next decade will be much less eventful.



Lim Kim Hai
Executive Chairman
31 August 2012



foreword

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 (\$).

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The Hon. John Sharp
James Davis
Chris Hine
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directors' report



01 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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 (FY) ended 30 June 2012.

The names and particulars of the Directors of Rex during or since the end of the FY are:



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 a 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.



THE HON. JOHN SHARP

Deputy Chairman and Independent Director

Appointed 14 April 2005 and re-appointed 19 November 2008 and 23 November 2011.

The Honourable John Sharp, is an aviator having been a licensed pilot of both fixed wing and rotary wing aircraft. Mr. Sharp was a member of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth Parliament for 14 years (1984 – 1998). He retired from the House of Representatives in 1998 and established his own aviation and transport consulting company. Mr. Sharp is a former Chairman of the Aviation Safety Foundation of Australia, a director of Australian Aerospace, a wholly- owned subsidiary of European Aeronautics Defence and Space (EADS) and is a director of Skytraders, providing specialist air services for Australia's Antarctic Division. He has recently retired as Chairman of Parsons Brinkerhoff Advisory Board, an engineering and design company operating throughout Australia and the region. He is also Chairman of Power and Data Corporation Pty Limited and Chairman of Pel-Air Aviation Pty Limited. Mr. Sharp is a Trustee

and Board Member of John McKeown House, Honorary Federal Treasurer, National Party of Australia and has retired as Chairman 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.



JAMES DAVIS
Independent Director

Appointed 26 August 2004 as Executive Director and re-appointed 23 November 2011.

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

Mr. Davis is a qualified Aeronautical Engineer and worked for four years with the Civil Aviation Safety Authority before obtaining his Air Transport Pilot Licence. Since then he flew professionally with airlines in Australia and overseas for 26 years accumulating some 12,500 flying hours. Upon joining Hazelton Airlines in 1999, he was appointed Flight Operations and Standards Manager and Deputy Chief Pilot for the airline. In 2001, Mr. Davis was promoted to Chief Pilot of Hazelton, and held that position when Hazelton was merged into, and began trading as part of Rex in 2002. Mr. Davis became Executive General Manager Operations in 2003, and subsequently Managing Director Operations. Mr. Davis became Chief of Staff of the Chairman's Office in 2007 and was appointed Managing Director in May 2008. Mr. Davis is a former Chairman of the Australian Airline Pilot Academy Pty Ltd. and a former Director of Rex Group companies Pel-Air Aviation

Pty Ltd and Air Link Pty Ltd. He currently sits on the Board of the Regional Aviation Association of Australia.



GARRY FILMER

Chief Operating Officer

Appointed 1 March 2012 as Executive Director

Mr. Filmer is a Licensed Aircraft Maintenance Engineer with over 36 years experience and has been involved in Regional Airline and Maintenance Repair Organisation management over the last 20 years, holding positions such as Engineering Manager and General Manager Engineering. Mr. Filmer joined Rex in 2007 as Engineering Advisor in the Chairman's Office and as a member of the Engineering Management Committee was involved in the coordination of projects such as the management of Ground Support Equipment, review of Engineering resources and the recruitment of staff. Mr. Filmer became General Manager, Engineering in June 2008 and then Chief Operating Officer in March 2012.



CHRIS HINE

Chief Operating Officer

until 29 February 2012 and subsequently on extended leave since 12 March 2012

Appointed 1 March 2011 as Executive Director and re-appointed 23 November 2011.

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 well-accomplished and knowledgeable instructor. He has been with the Company since its inception in August 2002 and prior to his 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. As Chief Operating Officer he was responsible for the Company's operations including flight operations, maintenance control, airport operations and the 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 was the Chairman of the Australian Airline Pilot Academy Pty Ltd (AAPA).



RONALD BARTSCH

Independent Director

Appointed 23 November 2010 and re-appointed 23 November 2011.

Mr. Bartsch has over 30 years experience in the aviation industry in a variety of senior operational, safety and regulatory roles. He was head of safety and regulatory compliance for Qantas Airways' Limited AOC and manager of the CASA Sydney Airline Transport Field Office.

In addition, Mr. Bartsch is an experienced pilot and has extensive 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 is an international aviation safety consultant and senior visiting fellow with the School of Aviation at the University of NSW.



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 business experience and currently is the Chairman and owner of a company supplying specialty medical devices, systems and drugs to healthcare institutions in the ASEAN region. He is also on the board of a biomedical company and a mobile/internet gaming company. Mr. Lee was one of the founding shareholders and directors of Rex.

02 SENIOR MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVES

The names and particulars of the senior management executives of Rex during or since the end of the FY are:



GARRY FILMER

Chief Operating Officer (from 1 March 2012)
General Manager, Engineering (until 29 Feb 2012)

Garry is a member of the Rex Management Committee. A description of his qualifications, skills and experience is included on page 7.



CHRIS HINE

Chief Operating Officer (until 29 Feb 2012)

Chris is a member of the Rex Management Committee. A description of his qualifications, skills and experience is included on page 7. Chris has been on Long Service Leave since 12 March 2012 and after that is taking leave without pay until March 2013.



WARRICK LODGE

General Manager, Network Strategy & Sales

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 20 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 TAN

General Manager, Corporate Services

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 THANABALASINGHAM

General Manager, Information Technology and Communications

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 and a Director of the Australian Airline Pilot Academy.



DALE HALL

General Manager, Engineering (from 1 March 2012)
Maintenance Control Manager (until 29 Feb 2012)

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. In March 2012, he was appointed GM Engineering and Chairman of the Australian Airline Pilot Academy. Dale is a member of the Rex Management Committee.



NEVILLE HOWELL

General Manager Flight Operations and Chief Pilot

Neville has over 31 years of aviation experience and has been with the Company since its inception in August 2002. He has operated the Saab 340 as a First Officer and Captain for over 18 years for both Hazelton Airlines and Regional Express. Prior to his role as General Manager Flight Operations (GMFO) and Chief Pilot, Neville was Manager Training & Checking and Deputy Chief Pilot. He is an extensively qualified and experienced simulator and aircraft instructor and has held positions as both Training and Check Captain. Neville was the Chief Flying Instructor and Chief Pilot for the first integrated pilot training academy in Australia and has provided cadet pilot training for both domestic and international carriers. Neville is a qualified lecturer in a number of aviation subjects and has a Diploma of Aviation. He holds a number of CASA delegations and has done since 1984. As GMFO he is responsible for all facets of the Company's Flight Operations and all operational matters affecting the safety of Flight Operations. Neville is a member of the Rex Management Committee.



PNG YEOW TAT

Deputy General Manager, Engineering (from 1 March 2012)

Tat has been in Aviation Engineering for more than 30 years and has many years of experience in various senior management positions. He graduated with an Honours Degree in Electrical and Electronic Engineering from UK. Tat joined Rex in mid 2007 as the Logistics Advisor and subsequently as the Engineering Advisor in the Chairman's Office. Tat is a member of the Rex Engineering Management Committee and 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 2012 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	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	200,866	-	-
Chris Hine	169,458	-	-
Lee Thian Soo	7,722,181	3,727,181	-
Ronald Bartsch	-	-	-
Garry Filmer	12,654	-	-

05 DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

The following table sets out the number of directors' meetings (including meetings of committees of directors) held during the FY and the number of meetings attended by each director (while they were a director or committee member). During the FY, 5 Board meetings, 3 Remuneration and Nomination Committee meetings, 2 Audit and Corporate Governance Committee meetings and 5 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:	5	3	2	5
Attendance:				
Lim Kim Hai	5			
The Hon. John Sharp	5	3	2	
James Davis	5	3		5
Chris Hine	5			
Lee Thian Soo	4		2	
Ronald Bartsch	5			5
Garry Filmer	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 22.

07 SHARES UNDER OPTION OR ISSUED ON EXERCISE OF OPTIONS

No options were granted or exercised in FY 2012.

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

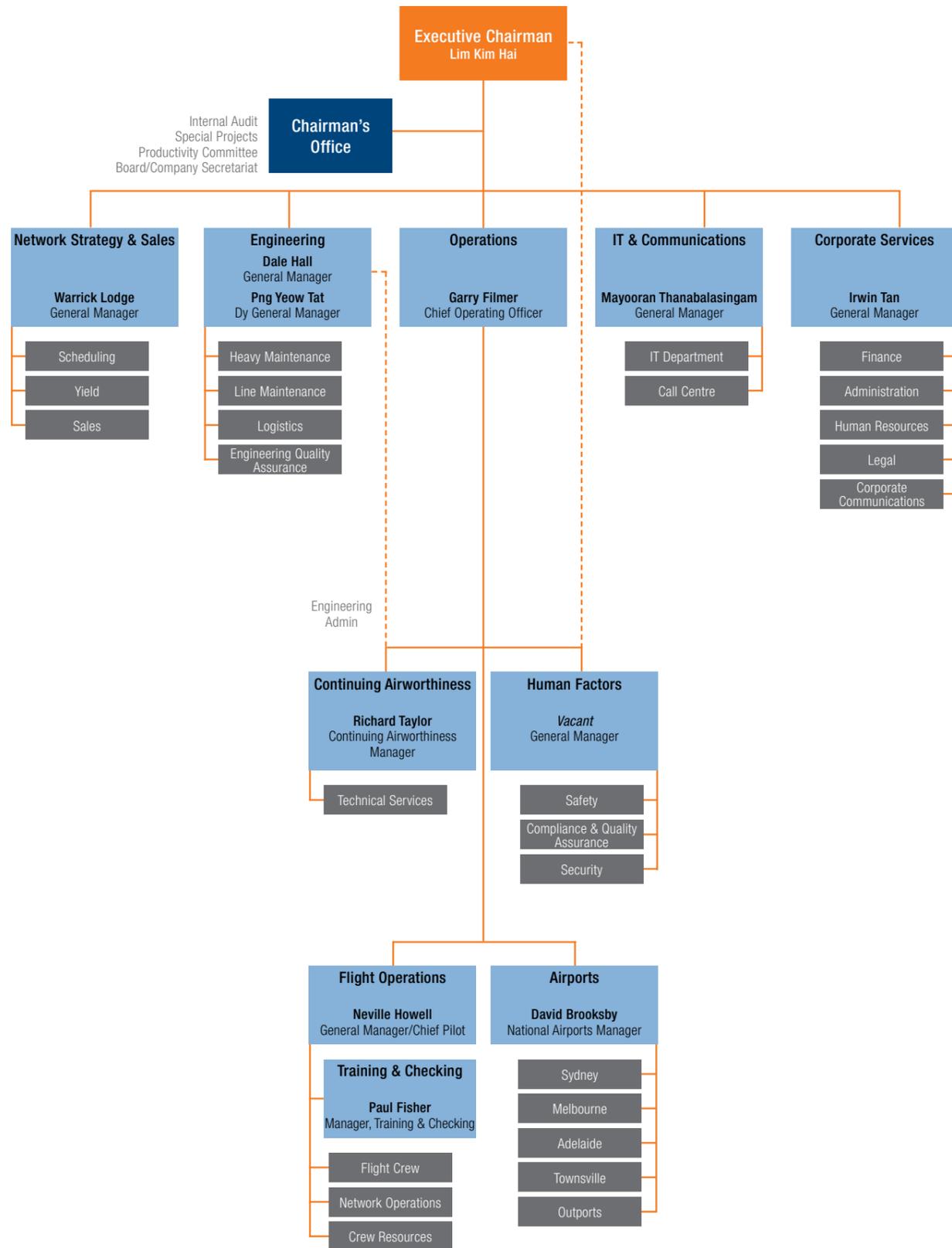
Mr Irwin Tan holds the position of Rex Company Secretary. A description of his qualifications, skills and experience is included on page 8.

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.

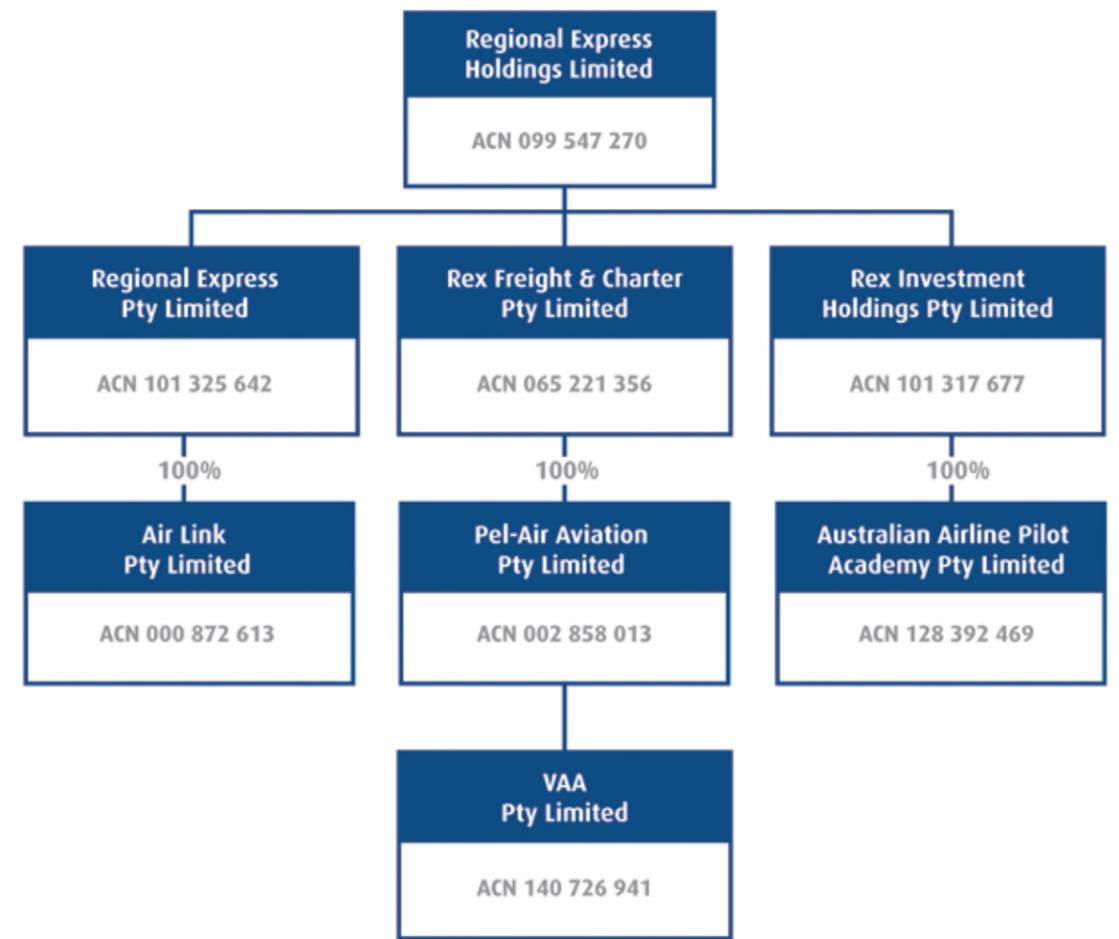
10 PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

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

11 ORGANISATION & GROUP STRUCTURES



Regional Express Airline Organisation Structure



12 REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

Summary

The Group continued to work closely with the regional communities throughout the Rex passenger network and numerous partnership agreements with local councils were both entered into or renewed.

As we entered the year under review, partnership agreements were renewed with the regional councils that own and operate the following regional airports: Broken Hill, Bathurst, Ballina, Ceduna, Coober Pedy, Dubbo, Grafton, Griffith, Lismore, Narrandera, Parkes, Taree and Wagga Wagga. A new partnership agreement was entered into with Newcastle Airport Limited in conjunction with new services linking Newcastle to Sydney and Ballina / Byron Bay.

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

The flight cancellation rate for the FY was 0.44%. This rate was driven higher than Rex's usual cancellation rate of 0.2% in the last few months of the FY primarily as a result of a shortage of Captains due to leave and sickness.

The Pilot attrition rate for the FY was in line with historical averages; however a higher percentage of the attrition were Captains. Another 28 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 116 as at 30 June 2012 including six Flying Instructors at AAPA and four who have joined Pel-Air. Of these, 77 were flying as First Officers by the end of the FY.

This FY saw the introduction of the Pilot In Command Under Supervision Programme (PICUSP) which was ratified by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority in September. The program provides specific training and personal development for First Officers (especially the Cadet First Officers who do not have the requisite Command hours) to meet with regulatory requirements to become Captains. PICUSP will provide a steady stream of Captains in the years ahead and provide Regional Express with protection against poaching of Captains by other airlines. It is anticipated that the first Cadet will upgrade to Command in the first half of FY 2013.

At 30 June 2012, the total Rex pilots employed were 265 - 12 above the normal full establishment requirement. This over-recruitment was intentional in order to facilitate extensive clearance of long service leave and also the training of additional Captains to provide a buffer in the event of further attrition.

12 REVIEW OF OPERATIONS (CONTINUED)

Pel-Air commenced a long-term contract with Ambulance Victoria on 1 July 2011. The contract marked Pel-Air's entry into the aero-medical operations in Victoria under the banner of Ambulance Victoria. In addition, a new 3-year contract to provide Fast Jet mission services for the Australia Defence Force commenced on 1 October 2011.

Turboprop charters using the Saab aircraft remained steady throughout the year with a mix of contracted and ad-hoc Fly-in / Fly-out (FIFO) business. A number of Air Tour charters were also secured by leveraging on the capabilities of the Saab aircraft for scenic flying with full-cabin service.

Over at AAPA, the Rex Cadet programme continued as planned with 29 cadets graduating in the FY and 29 enrolled. As at 30 June 2012, AAPA has enrolled a total of 136 cadets under Rex's Cadet Programme and graduated a total of 109. This FY also saw AAPA continue its partnership with the Alpha Aviation Group for the training of international students, having enrolled 39 students during the year and graduating 27.

Air Link's focus in the Air Charter market has shown a marked increase in the utilisation of its fleet especially in FIFO work for the resource industry.

Route Network Developments

On 30 September 2012 Rex announced the commencement of Newcastle to Sydney and Newcastle to Ballina / Byron services 7 days a week from Sunday, 30 October 2011. The service was the culmination of newly forged partnership agreements with Ballina Byron Bay Airport and Newcastle Airport Limited.



Marking a historic day for Rex, Mildura and Broken Hill.
Photo: Sunraysia Daily.



Broken Hill Mayor Wincen Cuy, Rex Deputy Chairman John Sharp and Mildura Mayor John Arnold celebrating the partnership.
Photo: Sunraysia Daily.

The service provided 3 return frequencies between Newcastle and Sydney each weekday providing convenience for the business traveller wanting to make a day-return trip as well as those needing to connect on to Rex's vast NSW regional network as well as other domestic/international flights.

The Newcastle and Ballina Byron Bay network initiative was focused on improving network efficiencies through the improved use of existing network resources and importantly this opened up the commencement of a new daily return service between Newcastle and Ballina / Byron Bay to the benefit of both the Hunter and Ballina Byron Bay regions.

On 25 March 2012 the Newcastle and Ballina Byron Bay schedules were further enhanced with improved Newcastle to Sydney morning flight timings and Sydney to Newcastle evening flight timings. This provided greater day return ability for the Newcastle business community as well as increasing both outbound and inbound connections through Sydney Airport with regional, domestic and international services. The changes also saw the frequency between Newcastle and Ballina Byron Bay increase from 1 return to 2 return services each week day to better match the solid level of demand for this new service.

Also on 25 March 2012 Rex increased week day frequency between Orange and Sydney from 4 return services to 5 return services, subsequently adding some 17,000 annual seats to the route to better meet demand.

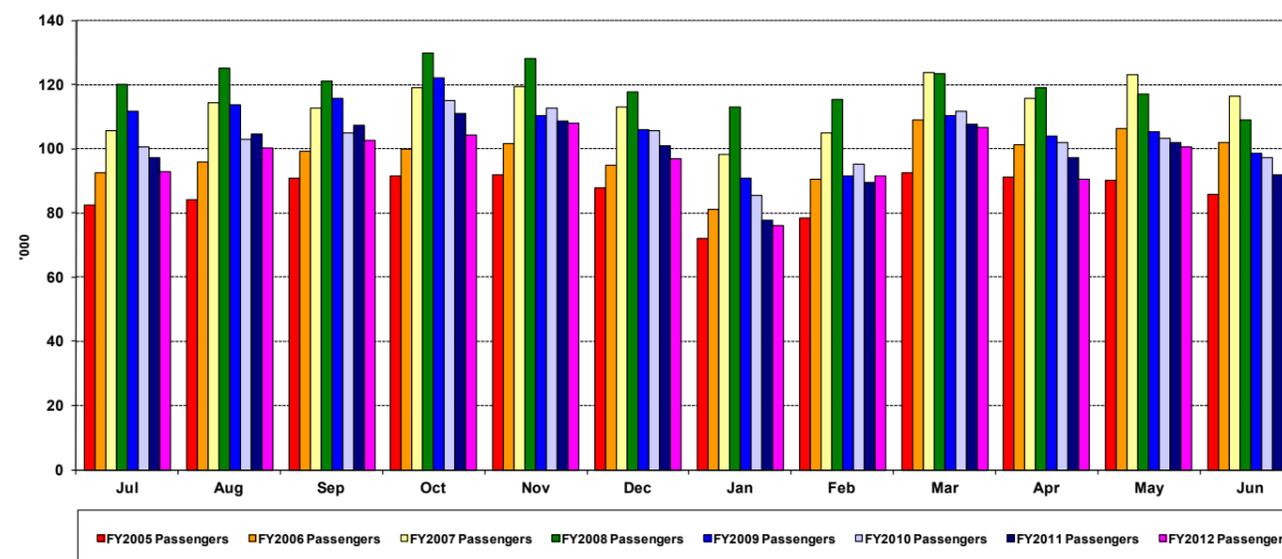
On 9 May 2012 Rex announced that it would exit the Griffith to Melbourne route from the beginning of FY 2013. Rex established the service in July 2007 and was forced to suspend the route between February 2008 and October 2009 due to the Global Pilot Shortage. Rex maintained its commitment to return to the route from October 2009 and since this time Rex has invested in an additional Saab 340 aircraft to facilitate an improved flight schedule to allow for day return travel.

The Griffith to Melbourne route was Rex's thinnest route (less than 10,000 annual passengers) and as a result one of the most marginal. The low average load factors would be compounded by the federal government's carbon tax as well as the removal of the en-route rebate scheme from the beginning of FY 2013 due to the new taxes and charges not being levied per passenger but per flight.

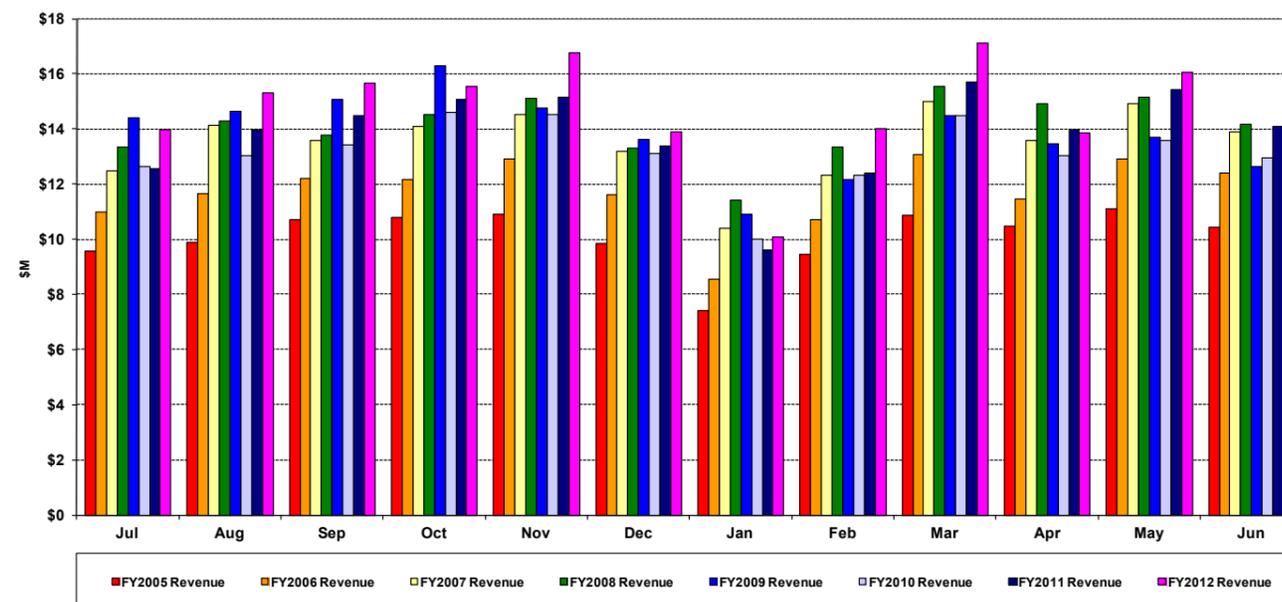
Rex, in partnership with Mildura Airport and Broken Hill City Council, announced on 22 May 2012 a significant range of new air services for the cities of Mildura and Broken Hill.

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

Rex Monthly Passengers - Total Network



Rex Monthly Revenue - Total Network



12 REVIEW OF OPERATIONS (CONTINUED)

Fleet Changes

During the reporting period, Rex sold four Metro 23 aircraft offshore.

During the reporting period, Rex signed an agreement to purchase four Saab 340Bplus model aircraft on or before the expiry of their leases in July 2013.

Improving Productivity

The Group's Productivity Committee continued its efforts throughout the year with the launching of its eighth consecutive productivity drive. The committee ended the year with a total realised savings of over \$4.2M.

Enterprise Agreements (EA)

Rex has successfully concluded the EA with the Flight Attendant group and the EA has been voted in. The remaining 2 EAs and 1 Collective Agreement were not ready for voting as at the close of the FY.

Operational and Service Standards

Rex continued to deliver exceptional on-time performance and service reliability in FY 2012. As reported by the BITRE, Rex recorded 84.3% on time departure performance which ranked Rex as the top performing regional airline in Australia for FY 2012. In addition, Rex completed FY 2012 with a very low cancellation rate of 0.4%. For most of FY 2012, Rex's cancellation was running even lower at 0.2% which was significantly lower than all the other major airlines and on par with Skywest.

As reported by the BITRE, Rex also achieved the best On Time departures in calendar year (CY) 2011 amongst all the major carriers in Australia with Rex achieving an 84.9% On Time Departure rate. Additionally for calendar year 2011 Rex was also the carrier with the lowest cancellation rate at 0.4%.

Airline	On Time Departure	Cancellation Rate (%)
	FY 2012	FY 2012
 Regional Express	3rd	0.4
QantasLink	7th	2.0
Qantas	2nd	1.7
Jetstar	8th	1.6
Virgin Australia	4th	1.3
Virgin ATR Operations	6th	1.5
Skywest	5th	0.2
Tiger Airways	1st	0.5

Airline	On Time Departure	Cancellation Rate (%)
	CY* 2011	CY* 2011
 Regional Express	1st	0.4
QantasLink	5th	2.0
Qantas	2nd	2.3
Jetstar	6th	1.8
Virgin Australia	4th	1.8
Virgin ATR Operations	8th	1.6
Skywest	3rd	0.4
Tiger Airways	7th	4.1

*CY is calendar year

The FY saw Rex receiving international recognition again as Australia's top performing airline.

On 2 July 2012, Aviation Week and Space Technology ranked Rex as the Top Performing Australian Carrier in a study based on performance categories covering liquidity, financial health, earnings performance, fuel cost management and asset utilisation over a period of 10 years. Comparing with the best airlines worldwide, Rex was ranked 11th, only two positions below Singapore Airlines and ahead of all the other erstwhile blue-ribbon airlines like Lufthansa, Cathay Pacific, Air France, Southwest and British Airways, while Qantas, Virgin Australia and Tiger were ranked 17th, 25th and 66th respectively.

AVIATION WEEK
TOP PERFORMING REGIONAL AIRLINE
2012, 2011, 2010, 2009

Rex was also voted by the Australian Traveller Readers' Choice Awards Survey as the "Best Regional Airline" ahead of QantasLink, Skywest and Airnorth. The Australian Traveller Readers' Choice Awards survey was conducted over a period of three months and received nominations from over 1,000 readers on what they consider to be the best in Australia.

AUSTRALIAN TRAVELLER
2011 READERS' CHOICE AWARDS
BEST REGIONAL AIRLINE

Community Involvement

True to our motto "Our heart is in the Country", Rex continued in our commitment to contribute towards those less fortunate in the regional communities that we serve. Rex understands the importance of such community events in these small communities and we feel privileged to be able to lend a hand.

Throughout the year, Rex contributed close to a quarter of a million dollars in sponsorships to worthy charitable and community projects across our network, giving back to the regional communities to the measure of our capabilities. Some of the causes we supported included the Hearing Life Charity for Breast Cancer Research, the Leukaemia Foundation, Chad Hancock Foundation Annual Race Day, Julia Creek Dirt and Dust Festival and various Relay for Life events around the region.

In addition, the management team and the staff continued to contribute directly to various worthy causes such as Country Hope and the Cancer Council's fundraisers such as Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.

Pel-Air continued its 3-year association with the Red Cross by supplying charter flights, at subsidized rates, for its blood donation drives at Moree, NSW in May and in September.



Country Hope Open Day at Rex's AAPA Campus for Country Hope Families organised by Rex011 Cadets (Photo: The Daily Advertiser)

13 CHANGES IN STATE OF AFFAIRS

Christopher Hine, Chief Operating Officer of Rex commenced Long Service Leave from 12 March 2012 to be followed by Leave Without Pay until March 2013. Garry Filmer was appointed Chief Operating Officer in his absence.

In October of 2011, Flight Operations conducted a detailed analysis of all flight levels in the Rex RPT network with the view to realising potential fuel savings for the Saab 340 fleet. During November of 2011, Flight Operations implemented these changes and flight levels were increased on 41 routes across the network. Empirical data collection on the routes affected has validated the initial analysis and savings in fuel consumption and overall cost to the operation have been achieved. In addition, this initiative also reduces Rex's carbon footprint.

Tenders

The previous contract with Ivanhoe Australia to supply services to the Osborne and Mount Dore mines in North West Queensland expired in April 2012. Ivanhoe surveyed the market and Pel-Air successfully secured a contract extension to supply air services between Townsville and the mine sites using the Saab.

14 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

1 July 2012 saw the start of the imposition of the carbon tax as well as the cessation of the En-route Subsidy rebate. Furthermore enhanced security arrangements at several regional airports were also implemented from the same day. Together these measures will have a negative annual impact of \$4-5 million on Rex.

On 1 July 2012 Rex ceased the Melbourne to Griffith route due to uneconomic viability as a result of the start of the carbon tax and the removal of the En-route Rebate scheme.

From 9 July 2012 (FY 2013) Rex commenced new services that link Mildura with direct flights to Adelaide and Sydney in addition to two daily return flights to Broken Hill. The latter will also see its flights to Sydney boosted from two to three return flights each week day, with an improved schedule that enables professionals from Sydney to make a day return trip to Broken Hill for a full day's work. In addition, Broken Hill will, for the first time, receive air services to Melbourne via Mildura.

On 12 July 2012, the Commonwealth of Australia, as represented by the Department of Defence extended the Air Transport Deed of Standing Offer with Pel-Air for an additional year until 1 November 2013.

The FIFO tender contract between Pel-Air and Iluka Resources was due to expire in the second half of 2012. Pel-Air has successfully negotiated a contract extension.

Rex has successfully concluded the Enterprise Agreement (EA) with the Aircraft Engineers as well as the Pilots group. Rex also successfully concluded the Collective Agreement with the Airline Services Union. All EAs and Collective Agreement have been voted in.

On 23 July 2012 Rex has placed a deposit to purchase a further 2 Saab 340Bplus aircraft at lease end in July 2013 and March 2014.

On 30 July 2012 the Commonwealth announced the cancellation of the JP66 tender to which Pel-Air was one of the respondents. A new tender is expected to be issued in due course.

15 FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

In the light of the significant additional cost imposts from 1 July 2012 associated with the Federal Government's initiative to:

- remove the En-route Rebate Scheme,
- introduce the Carbon Tax, and
- impose additional security measures at certain regional airports

Rex will be compelled to further rationalise its network to recover from the estimated additional \$4-5 million annual cost burden. Rex will announce the measures needed towards the end of 2012.

Regional Express will be installing iPads in all 51 of its Saab 340 fleet in a move designed to improve communication and data access flow while bringing other operational efficiencies to the pilots. The iPads with 3G connectivity will store the full suite of Company Manuals and have the capability to generate performance data for take-off and landing. In addition, the iPads will provide automatic transfer of all engine trend data analysis to engineering. The iPad installation program is planned to commence in September 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, four public reports on the initiatives undertaken by Rex have been made available on the Rex website at www.rex.com.au

Since its registration with the NGER program in January 2009, Rex has submitted three NGER reports and the fourth report is due in October 2012.

17 DIVIDENDS

In respect of the FY ended 30 June 2011, a fully franked dividend of 7.1 cents per share was paid to the holders of fully paid ordinary shares on 30 November 2011

In respect of the FY ended 30 June 2012, the Directors have recommended a fully franked dividend of 9 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 FY, 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 FY, 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 six FYs. Under this scheme, eligible employees are awarded a share of Rex's profit before tax (PBT) (excluding contributions from subsidiaries and associates) for the FY immediately preceding the award. The profit share is allocated on an equal share basis. Permanent part time employees receive an amount proportional to their employment hours. The Board decided that this plan will be offered to all non-Enterprise Bargaining Agreement (EBA) employees who are not the subject of an adverse recommendation by the Remuneration and Nomination Committee.

- Share Gift Plan

Rex has established the share gift plan for its executive directors and eligible employees. The share plan which has run from FY 2007 to FY 2011 was offered to all the EBA groups. From FY 2007 to FY 2009 the share gift plan was adopted by all the groups except the flight attendants. From FY 2010 to FY2012, 3 groups, namely the pilots, the flight attendants and the Airlines Services EBA staff opted not to receive share gift in lieu of higher base salaries. The board 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.

19 REMUNERATION REPORT (CONTINUED)

Director and Senior Management Details

The following persons acted as directors of the Company during or since the end of the FY:

Lim Kim Hai (Chairman)
 The Hon. John Sharp (Deputy Chairman)
 James Davis
 Chris Hine
 Lee Thian Soo
 Ronald Bartsch
 Garry Filmer

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 for the whole of the FY and since the end of the FY:

Garry Filmer (General Manager, Engineering and then 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)
 Dale Hall (Maintenance Control Manager and then General Manager, Engineering)
 Neville Howell (General Manager Flight Operations & Chief Pilot)
 Png Yeow Tat (Deputy General Manager, Engineering)

Remuneration of Directors and Senior Management

The directors and other nominated key management personnel received the following amounts as compensation for their services as directors and executives of the Company and/or the Group during the year:

Directors/Executives	FY	Short-term benefits		Post employment benefits	Long-term benefits	Share-based payments		Total	% Consisting of options	
		Cash salary & fees	Cash profit sharing & other bonuses	Non-monetary	Pension & super-annuation	Long service leave	Options & rights			Share gift provision
EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS										
LIM KIM HAI ⁽¹⁾	2012	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Executive Chairman	2011	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
CHRIS HINE ⁽²⁾	2012	195,369	51,927	-	19,226	3,233	-	3,360	273,115	0%
Chief Operating Officer (up to 29 Feb 2012)	2011	175,570	1,927	-	15,066	3,214	-	3,070	198,847	0%
GARRY FILMER ⁽³⁾	2012	141,529	51,927	-	16,481	-	-	2,600	212,537	0%
Chief Operating Officer (from 1 March 2012)	2011	120,142	1,927	-	10,986	-	-	2,251	135,306	0%
DAVID MILLER ⁽⁴⁾	2012	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
CEO of Air Link Pty Ltd	2011	141,851	-	5,789	12,767	2,196	-	2,559	165,162	0%
NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS										
JOHN SHARP	2012	90,000	-	-	8,100	-	-	-	98,100	0%
Deputy Chairman	2011	90,000	-	-	8,100	-	-	-	98,100	0%
LEE THIAN SOO	2012	25,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,000	0%
Non-Executive Director	2011	25,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,000	0%
RONALD BARTSCH ⁽⁵⁾	2012	35,000	-	-	3,150	-	-	-	38,150	0%
Non-Executive Director	2011	20,058	-	-	1,805	-	-	-	21,863	0%
JAMES DAVIS ⁽⁶⁾	2012	31,005	-	-	2,250	-	-	3,157	36,412	0%
Non-Executive Director	2011	181,700	1,927	-	14,355	2,938	-	3,275	204,195	0%
RUSSELL HODGE ⁽⁷⁾	2012	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Non-Executive Director	2011	25,000	-	-	2,250	-	-	-	27,250	0%
SENIOR MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVES										
WARRICK LODGE	2012	149,600	51,927	-	17,101	2,440	-	2,900	223,968	0%
GM, Network Strategy & Sales	2011	143,027	1,927	-	13,045	2,415	-	2,763	163,177	0%
IRWIN TAN	2012	154,600	51,927	-	17,516	2,524	-	2,900	229,467	0%
GM, Corporate Services	2011	139,143	1,927	-	12,836	2,500	-	2,559	158,965	0%
DALE HALL	2012	137,087	51,927	-	16,081	2,188	-	2,600	209,883	0%
GM, Engineering	2011	122,747	1,927	-	11,220	2,164	-	2,324	140,382	0%
MAYOORAN THANABALASINGHAM	2012	149,600	51,927	-	17,101	2,442	-	2,900	223,970	0%
GM, ITC	2011	135,696	1,927	-	12,386	2,418	-	2,559	154,986	0%
NEVILLE HOWELL ⁽⁸⁾	2012	50,286	-	-	4,510	887	-	-	55,683	0%
GM, Flight Operations & Chief Pilot	2011	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
PNG YEOW TAT ⁽⁹⁾	2012	40,557	-	-	3,650	-	-	-	44,207	0%
Deputy GM, Engineering	2011	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
TOTAL	2012	1,199,633	311,562	-	125,166	13,714	-	20,417	1,670,492	0%
	2011	1,319,934	13,489	5,789	114,816	17,845	-	21,360	1,493,233	0%

⁽¹⁾ Lim Kim Hai undertook to forfeit his Director's fee in November 2008 in response to the global economic crisis and continued to do so in this reporting period in the light of the continuing difficult environment.

⁽²⁾ Chris Hine was appointed as Chief Operating Officer & Director with effect from 1 March 2011. He relinquished this position on 1 March 2012 and commenced Long Service Leave from 12 March 2012.

⁽³⁾ Garry Filmer was appointed as Chief Operating Officer & Director with effect from 1 March 2012.

⁽⁴⁾ David Miller retired as Director with effect from 1 March 2011.

⁽⁵⁾ Ronald Bartsch was appointed as Director with effect from 23 November 2010.

⁽⁶⁾ James Davis retired as Managing Director on 1 July 2011. He remains a member of the Board as a Director.

⁽⁷⁾ Russell Hodge retired as Director with effect from 14 June 2011.

⁽⁸⁾ Neville Howell was appointed as General Manager Flight Operations & Chief Pilot with effect from 1 March 2011.

⁽⁹⁾ Png Yeow Tat was appointed as Deputy General Manager Engineering with effect from 1 March 2012.

19 REMUNERATION REPORT (CONTINUED)

Value of Options Issued to Directors and Executives

No options lapsed, were granted or were exercised during the FY 2012.

Relationship between the Remuneration Policy and Company Performance

In addition to the profit share and share gift schemes that apply to all non-EBA staff, Garry Filmer and Chris Hine also received additional Key Manager bonus as they were part of the executive management. The amount of Key Manager bonus given to each recipient was fixed by the Remuneration Committee based on an assessment of the recipient's performance during the year.

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 2012:

	30 June 2012 \$'000	30 June 2011 \$'000	30 June 2010 \$'000	30 June 2009 \$'000	30 June 2008 \$'000
Revenue	273,145	238,488	228,843	250,963	260,513
Net profit before tax	35,077	24,095	26,254	30,789	32,478
Net profit after tax	25,497	17,593	24,627	22,982	24,343

	30 June 2012	30 June 2011	30 June 2010	30 June 2009	30 June 2008
Share price at start of year	\$0.83	\$1.005	\$0.80	\$1.06	\$2.75
Share price at end of year	\$1.07	\$0.83	\$1.005	\$0.80	\$1.06
Interim dividend	-	-	-	-	-
Final dividend ^{1,2}	9.0cps	7.1cps	6.6cps	-	6.6cps
Basic earnings per share	23.1cps	15.8cps	22.2cps	20.4cps	20.3cps
Diluted earnings per share	23.1cps	15.8cps	22.2cps	20.4cps	20.3cps

¹ The final dividend is 9c per share fully franked or 12.8c per share before corporate tax of 30%.

² 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 to eight 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.

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



Garry Filmer
Chief Operating Officer
Sydney, 31 August 2012

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31 August 2012

Dear Board Members

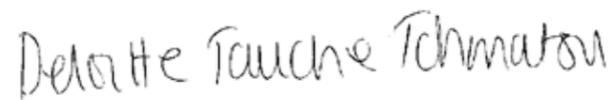
Regional Express Holdings Limited

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.

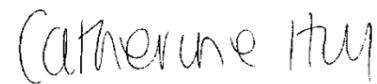
As lead audit partner for the audit of the financial statements of Regional Express Holdings Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2012, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

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

Yours sincerely



DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU



Catherine Hill
Partner
Chartered Accountants

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CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2012

	Note	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Continuing operations			
Passenger revenue		214,751	201,325
Freight revenue		982	933
Charter revenue		45,488	22,199
Other passenger services and amenities		2,789	2,401
Other revenue	3	9,135	11,630
Total revenue		273,145	238,488
Finance income	3	1,580	1,159
Other gains and losses	4	1,207	823
Flight and port operation costs (excluding fuel)		(48,719)	(48,524)
Fuel costs		(38,560)	(33,695)
Salaries and employee-related costs	3	(93,645)	(85,004)
Selling and marketing costs		(5,359)	(5,151)
Engineering and maintenance costs		(29,919)	(26,007)
Office and general administration costs		(7,312)	(6,826)
Finance costs	3	(1,531)	-
Depreciation and amortisation	3	(15,810)	(11,168)
Total costs and expenses		(240,855)	(216,375)
Profit before income tax		35,077	24,095
Income tax expense	5	(9,580)	(6,502)
Profit after tax from continuing operations		25,497	17,593
Profit attributable to:			
Members of the parent		25,497	17,593
		25,497	17,593
Earnings per share (cents per share)			
Basic (cents per share)	18	23.1	15.8
Diluted (cents per share)	18	23.1	15.8
Dividends per share (cents per share)	19	9.0	7.1

Notes to the financial statements are included on pages 33 to 66

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2012

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Profit after tax	25,497	17,593
Other comprehensive income		
Cash flow hedges		
Reclassification adjustments for amounts recognised in profit or loss	-	(1,017)
Other comprehensive income	-	(1,017)
Income tax relating to components of other comprehensive income	-	305
Total comprehensive income for the year	25,497	16,881

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2012

	Note	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Current assets			
Cash and bank balances	24	43,272	19,032
Trade and other receivables	6	13,219	10,003
Available for sale investments carried at fair value – shares		10	10
Inventories	7	11,946	10,379
Total current assets		68,447	39,424
Non-current assets			
Other financial assets	8	11	11
Other receivables	6	7,038	6,927
Property, plant and equipment	9		
Aircraft		100,739	112,163
Other property, plant and equipment		75,937	73,569
Goodwill and intangible assets	10	7,399	7,475
Total non-current assets		191,124	200,145
Total assets		259,571	239,569
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	19,595	19,400
Unearned revenue	14	19,189	19,761
Borrowings	12	2,042	1,858
Current tax payable	5	6,265	2,460
Provisions	13	7,716	6,329
Other liabilities	14	37	695
Total current liabilities		54,844	50,503
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	12	25,100	27,142
Provisions	13	2,031	510
Deferred tax liabilities	5	897	647
Total non-current liabilities		28,028	28,299
Total liabilities		82,872	78,802
Net assets		176,699	160,767
Equity			
Issued capital	15	71,959	74,659
Reserved shares	16	(1,816)	(2,358)
Retained earnings	17	103,960	86,269
Share-based payments reserve	16	1,006	607
Other reserves	16	1,590	1,590
Total equity		176,699	160,767

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2012

	Note	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Receipts from customers		299,283	263,527
Payments to suppliers, employees and others		(249,426)	(230,140)
Interest paid		(2,573)	-
Income tax (paid)/refunded		(5,525)	1,019
Net cash flows from operating activities	24 (B)	41,759	34,406
Interest received		1,580	1,159
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		3,541	6,619
Payments for property, plant and equipment - aircraft and other		(10,253)	(28,888)
Payments for property, plant and equipment - software		(30)	(280)
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(5,162)	(21,390)
Dividends paid		(7,806)	(7,322)
Share buy-back		(2,700)	-
Salary sacrifice - payment for shares		7	12
Repayment of borrowings		(1,858)	-
Proceeds from borrowings		-	3,000
Net cash flows used in financing activities		(12,357)	(4,310)
Net increase in cash held		24,240	8,706
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		19,032	10,326
Cash at the end of the financial year	24 (A)	43,272	19,032

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2012

	Attributable to equity holders of the Company						
	Issued capital \$'000	Reserved shares \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	Share-based payments reserve \$'000	Cash flow hedge reserve \$'000	General reserve \$'000	Total equity \$'000
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 (net of tax)	-	-	-	-	(712)	-	(712)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-	17,593	-	(712)	-	16,881
Dividends paid	-	-	(7,322)	-	-	-	(7,322)
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
At 1 July 2011	74,659	(2,358)	86,269	607	-	1,590	160,767
Profit for the year	-	-	25,497	-	-	-	25,497
Other comprehensive income (net of tax)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-	25,497	-	-	-	25,497
Dividends paid	-	-	(7,806)	-	-	-	(7,806)
Share buy-back	(2,700)	-	-	-	-	-	(2,700)
Share gift issued - gift	-	535	-	(535)	-	-	-
Share gift issued - salary sacrifice	-	7	-	-	-	-	7
Share gift plan provision	-	-	-	934	-	-	934
At 30 June 2012	71,959	(1,816)	103,960	1,006	-	1,590	176,699

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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 comply with other requirements of the law. The financial report includes the consolidated financial statements of the Group. For the purpose of preparing the consolidated statements, the Company is a for-profit entity.

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 31 August 2012.

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 (2011: \$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'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 2010-8 'Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets'	1 January 2012	30 June 2013
AASB 10 'Consolidated Financial Statements'	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 11 'Joint Arrangements'	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 12 'Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities'	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 13 'Fair Value Measurement' and AASB 2011-8 'Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 13'	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 119 'Employee Benefits' (2011) and AASB 2011-10 'Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 119 (2011)'	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 127 'Separate Financial Statements' (2011)	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AAASB 128 'Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures'	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 2011-7 'Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Consolidation and Joint Arrangements Standards'	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 2011-9 'Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income'	1 July 2012	30 June 2013
Interpretation 20 'Stripping Costs in the Production Phase of a Surface Mine' and AASB 2011-12 'Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Interpretation 20'	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 2012-2 'Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Disclosures – Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities'	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 2012-3 'Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Disclosures – Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities'	1 January 2014	30 June 2015
AASB 2012-5 'Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Annual Improvements 2009-2011 Cycle'	1 January 2013	30 June 2014

At the date of authorisation of the financial statements, the following IASBs were also in issue but not effective, although Australian equivalent Standards have not yet been issued:

Standard/Interpretation	Effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after	Expected to be initially applied in the financial year ending
Mandatory Effective Date of IFRS 9 and Transition Disclosures (Amendments to IFRS 9 and IFRS 7)	1 January 2015	30 June 2016
Consolidated Financial Statements, Joint Arrangements and Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities: Transition Guidance (amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 11 and IFRS 12)	1 January 2013	30 June 2014

02 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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 expenses 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 in 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 to 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) 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.

(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 statements.

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 speculatively.

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 gains and losses.

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.

02 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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.

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.

02 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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 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.

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

Intangible asset	Computer software
Useful lives	Finite
Amortisation method used	4 years straight line
Impairment test / recoverable amount testing	Annually and where an indicator of impairment exists

(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.

02 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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:

Aircraft	15,000 to 60,000 hours
Building	20 to 30 years
Computer Equipment	4 to 5 years
Engines	10 to 20 years
Furniture & Fittings	8 to 10 years
Leasehold Improvements	over the unexpired lease period
Motor Vehicles	7 years
Plant & Equipment	8 years
Rotable Assets	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) 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.

(t) Goods and Services Tax

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

- 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
- 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 2012

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Finance income		
Interest	1,580	1,159
	1,580	1,159
Other revenue		
Training income	3,881	3,693
Engineering services	354	1,195
Insurance claim	230	242
Grant - Department of Transport	2,941	2,962
Other income	1,729	3,538
	9,135	11,630
Salaries and employee-related costs		
Wages and salaries (excluding bonus – profit share scheme)	(83,818)	(77,038)
Bonus – profit share scheme	(2,369)	(913)
Workers' compensation costs	(822)	(1,166)
Superannuation costs - defined contribution plan	(5,702)	(5,314)
Expense of share-based payments	(934)	(573)
	(93,645)	(85,004)
Finance costs		
Interest on bank overdrafts and loans	2,573	2,086
less: amounts amortised over future contract periods	(1,042)	-
less: amounts included in the cost of qualifying assets	-	(2,086)
Interest expense	(1,531)	-
The weighted average capitalisation rate on funds borrowed generally is 9.1% per annum (2011: 7.2%)		
Depreciation and amortisation		
Depreciation and amortisation	(15,704)	(11,064)
Amortisation of development costs and software	(106)	(104)
	(15,810)	(11,168)
Lease payments included in consolidated income statement		
Included in flight and port operation costs		
Minimum lease payments – operating lease	(7,470)	(8,856)
	(7,470)	(8,856)
Office and general administrative costs		
Bad debts	(191)	(633)
	(191)	(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:

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Net gain/(loss) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	599	(299)
Net foreign currency gain	608	1,122
	1,207	823

05 INCOME TAX

Income Tax Recognised in Profit or Loss

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Income tax expense comprises:		
Current tax expense	9,330	4,639
Deferred tax expense/(income) relating to the origination and reversal of temporary differences	250	1,863
Total income tax expense	9,580	6,502
Attributable to:		
Continuing operations	9,580	6,502
	9,580	6,502
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 before tax from continuing operations	35,077	24,095
Profit before tax from operations	35,077	24,095
Income tax expense calculated at 30%	10,523	7,228
Tax on non deductible expense/(non assessable income)	94	(19)
Previously unrecognised and unused tax losses and tax offsets now recognised as deferred tax assets	(1,037)	(515)
Other	-	1
Investment allowance	-	(193)
	9,580	6,502

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.

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

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Deferred tax		
Other	-	(305)
	-	(305)
Current tax assets and liabilities		
Current tax payable		
Income tax attributable:		
Parent entity	6,265	2,460
	6,265	2,460
Deferred tax balances		
Deferred tax assets comprise:		
Temporary differences	5,225	3,764
	5,225	3,764
Deferred tax liabilities comprise:		
Temporary differences	(6,122)	(4,411)
	(6,122)	(4,411)
Net deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	(897)	(647)

05 INCOME TAX (CONTINUED)

Taxable and deductible temporary differences arise from the following:

	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
30 June 2012							
Gross deferred tax liabilities							
Inventories	(3,117)	(471)	-	-	-	-	(3,588)
Other items	(1,294)	(1,240)	-	-	-	-	(2,534)
	(4,411)	(1,711)	-	-	-	-	(6,122)
Gross deferred tax assets							
Employee-related provisions	2,256	543	-	-	-	-	2,799
Provision for doubtful debts	4	(1)	-	-	-	-	3
Other items	1,504	919	-	-	-	-	2,423
	3,764	1,461	-	-	-	-	5,225
Net deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	(647)	(250)	-	-	-	-	(897)

	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
30 June 2011							
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	-	-	-	-	4
Other items	372	827	305	-	-	-	1,504
	2,643	816	305	-	-	-	3,764
Net deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	911	(1,863)	305	-	-	-	(647)

Deferred tax assets of \$1,298 thousand (2011: \$2,334 thousand) from tax losses have not been brought to accounts as assets.

06 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Current		
Trade receivables	7,901	7,437
Provision for doubtful debts	(8)	(38)
	7,893	7,399
Sundry debtors and other debtors	2,138	987
Prepayments	2,892	1,562
Deposits and other assets	296	55
	13,219	10,003

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.

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Ageing of past due but not impaired		
60 - 90 days	50	9
90 - 120 days or more	174	202
Total	224	211
Average age (days)	169	380
Movement in the provision for doubtful debts		
Balance at the beginning of the year	(38)	(10)
Impairment losses written back/(recognised) on receivables	30	(28)
Balance at the end of the year	(8)	(38)
Ageing of impaired trade receivables		
60 - 90 days	-	-
90 - 120 days	-	-
120+ days	(8)	(38)
Total	(8)	(38)

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Non-current		
Trade receivables – at amortised cost	7,038	6,927
	7,038	6,927

07 INVENTORIES

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Current		
Consumable spares at cost	11,946	10,379

08 OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Non-current		
Investments carried at fair value	11	11

09 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Aircraft		
At cost	141,837	146,366
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(41,098)	(34,203)
Net carrying value	100,739	112,163
Other property, plant and equipment		
Rotable assets		
At cost	46,985	42,101
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(10,506)	(7,906)
Net carrying value	36,479	34,195
Leasehold improvements		
At cost	1,273	1,227
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(912)	(721)
Net carrying value	361	506
Motor vehicles		
At cost	2,410	2,346
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(696)	(559)
Net carrying value	1,714	1,787
Furniture and fittings		
At cost	1,314	1,288
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(781)	(642)
Net carrying value	533	646
Computer equipment		
At cost	2,408	1,873
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(1,289)	(1,257)
Net carrying value	1,119	616
Plant and equipment – ground service equipment		
At cost	8,647	8,076
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(5,209)	(4,428)
Net carrying value	3,438	3,648
Land and buildings		
At cost	28,729	28,628
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(2,423)	(1,686)
Net carrying value	26,306	26,942
Engines		
At cost	8,527	7,245
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(2,540)	(2,016)
Net carrying value	5,987	5,229
Other property, plant and equipment		
Total other property, plant and equipment		
At cost	100,293	92,784
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(24,356)	(19,215)
Net carrying value	75,937	73,569
Total property, plant and equipment		
At cost	242,130	239,150
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(65,454)	(53,418)
Net carrying value	176,676	185,732

09 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

RECONCILIATIONS						
	Opening net carrying value \$'000	Additions \$'000	Disposals \$'000	Reclassification \$'000	Depreciation charge for the year \$'000	Closing net carrying value \$'000
2012						
Aircraft	112,163	2,978	(2,917)	(1,263)	(10,222)	100,739
Rotable assets	34,195	4,887	(3)	-	(2,600)	36,479
Leasehold improvements	506	46	-	-	(191)	361
Motor vehicles	1,787	139	(21)	-	(191)	1,714
Furniture and fittings	646	28	-	-	(141)	533
Computer equipment	616	819	(1)	-	(315)	1,119
Plant and equipment – ground service equipment	3,648	572	-	-	(782)	3,438
Land and buildings	26,942	101	-	-	(737)	26,306
Engines	5,229	683	-	600	(525)	5,987
Total property, plant and equipment	185,732	10,253	(2,942)	(663)	(15,704)	176,676
2011						
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

No impairment loss has been recognised over items of property plant and equipment for the year ended 30 June 2012 (2011: nil).

The reclassification arises due to the fact that an aircraft was split into its component parts during the year and reclassified as engines and inventory.

10 GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Goodwill \$'000	Software and Development Cost \$'000
At 30 June 2012		
Cost	7,190	940
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	-	(731)
Net carrying amount	7,190	209
Total goodwill and intangible assets		7,399
Reconciliation		
At 1 July 2011, net of accumulated amortisation	7,190	285
Additions	-	30
Amortisation at 30 June 2012	-	(106)
At 30 June 2012, net of accumulated amortisation	7,190	209
Total goodwill and intangible assets		7,399
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 amortisation	7,190	109
Additions	-	280
Amortisation at 30 June 2011	-	(104)
At 30 June 2011, net of accumulated amortisation	7,190	285
Total goodwill and intangible assets		7,475

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-Air

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 5% revenue growth with 2.5% 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 12% p.a. Cash flows beyond that five year period are extrapolated using a steady 3.1% p.a. growth rate.

Air Link

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 3.0% revenue growth with 2.5% 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 12.5% 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

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Current		
Trade payables	11,833	13,738
Other payables	7,762	5,662
Total	19,595	19,400

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 %	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Current			
Loan facility	9.1%	2,042	1,858
Non-current			
Loan facility	9.1%	25,100	27,142

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 from July 2012 to June 2021.

13 PROVISIONS

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Current		
Employee benefits		
Profit share and bonus	3,616	2,317
Annual leave and long service leave	4,100	4,012
	7,716	6,329
Non-current		
Employee benefits		
Long service leave	2,031	510
Total employee benefits provisions	9,747	6,839

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Annual leave and long service leave		
Balance at the beginning of the year	4,522	4,830
Arising during the year	7,311	5,705
Utilised	(5,702)	(6,013)
Balance at the end of the year	6,131	4,522

14 OTHER LIABILITIES

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Current		
Unearned passenger and charter revenue	19,189	19,761
Unearned training revenue	37	695

15 ISSUED CAPITAL

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Fully paid ordinary shares	71,959	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.

	2012		2011	
	No. '000	\$'000	No. '000	\$'000
Fully paid ordinary shares				
Balance at 1 July	112,902	74,659	112,902	74,659
Share buy-back	(2,812)	(2,693)	-	-
Cost of share buy-back	-	(7)	-	-
Balance at 30 June	110,090	71,959	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, number of shares bought back was 2,812,139 (2011: nil).

Share units held as reserved shares by subsidiary company was 953,992 (2011: 1,533,539).

16 RESERVES AND OTHER RESERVES

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Reserved shares	(1,816)	(2,358)
Share-based payments reserve	1,006	607
General reserve	1,590	1,590
	780	(161)
Reserved shares		
Balance at 1 July	(2,358)	(2,869)
Share gift issued - gift	535	499
Share gift issued - salary sacrifice	7	12
Balance at 30 June	(1,816)	(2,358)

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	607	533
Share gift issued	(535)	(499)
Share gift plan provision	934	573
Balance at 30 June	1,006	607

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. From FY 2007 to FY 2009, the share gift plan was adopted by all the groups except the flight attendants. From FY 2010 to FY2012, 3 groups, namely the pilots, the flight attendants and the Airlines Services EBA staff opted not to receive share gift in lieu of higher base salaries. The board 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. 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.

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Cash flow hedge reserve		
Balance at 1 July	-	712
Reclassification adjustment for amounts recognised in profit or loss (net of tax)	-	(712)
Balance at 30 June	-	-

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	1,590

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

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Balance at 1 July	86,269	75,998
Dividends provided for or paid (Note 19)	(7,806)	(7,322)
Net profit for the year	25,497	17,593
Balance at 30 June	103,960	86,269

18 EARNINGS PER SHARE

	2012 Cents per share	2011 Cents per share
Basic earnings per share		
From continuing operations	23.1	15.8
Total basic earnings per share	23.1	15.8
Diluted earnings per share		
From continuing operations	23.1	15.8
Total diluted earnings per share	23.1	15.8

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:

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Net profit	25,497	17,593
Earnings used in the calculation of basic EPS	25,497	17,593
Earnings used in the calculation of basic EPS from continuing operations	25,497	17,593

	2012 No.'000	2011 No.'000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic EPS	110,179	111,235

Diluted earnings per share

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

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Net profit	25,497	17,593
Earnings used in the calculation of diluted EPS	25,497	17,593
Earnings used in the calculation of diluted EPS from continuing operations	25,497	17,593

	2012 No.'000	2011 No.'000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted EPS	110,179	111,235

19 DIVIDENDS

	2012		2011	
	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	9.0	9,908	7.1	7,806

In respect of financial year ended 30 June 2012, the directors have recommended a fully franked final dividend of 9.0 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 \$9,908 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

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Adjusted franking account balance	22,838	22,326
Franking credit / (debit) recognised that will arise from income tax payable/(recoverable) as at the end of financial year	6,265	2,460
Impact on franking account balance of dividends not recognised	(4,246)	(3,430)

20 COMMITMENTS FOR EXPENDITURE

The Group's commitments as at end of the financial year are as follows:

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
(A) Capital Expenditure Commitments		
Property, plant and equipment – aircraft		
Not longer than one year	5,774	-
	5,774	-
(B) Non-Cancellable Operating Lease Commitments		
Not longer than one year	7,278	7,077
Longer than one year and not longer than five years	3,979	11,257
	11,257	18,334

21 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT ASSETS

As at 30 June 2012, no contingent liabilities or assets existed.

22 SUBSIDIARIES

Name of entity	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest	
		2012 %	2011 %
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

Regional Express Holdings Limited is the head entity within the tax-consolidated group. These subsidiary companies are members of the tax-consolidated group.

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:

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Cash and bank balances	43,272	19,032

(B) Reconciliation of Profit for the Period to Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Profit for the year	25,497	17,593
Depreciation and amortisation	15,810	11,168
Share-based payment	803	567
Difference in market value on share-based payment	131	6
Unrealised foreign exchange (gain)/loss	(34)	(202)
(Gain)/loss on disposal of non-current assets	(599)	299
Movement in bad debt provision	(30)	28
Interest received and receivable	(1,580)	(1,159)
Decrease/(increase) in receivables	(3,869)	14
Decrease/(increase) in inventories	(904)	(2,635)
Increase/(decrease) in deferred tax	250	1,558
Increase/(decrease) in current tax	3,805	5,963
Increase/(decrease) in trade payables	229	1,133
Increase/(decrease) in provisions	2,908	(128)
Increase/(decrease) in other liabilities	(658)	201
Net cash flows from operating activities	41,759	34,406

(C) Financing Facilities

	2012		2011	
	Used \$'000	Limit \$'000	Used \$'000	Limit \$'000
Maximum facilities available and reviewed annually:				
Loan facility	27,142	27,306	29,000	29,000
Merchant prepayments	-	11,500	-	8,100
Tape negotiations authority	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900
Letter of credit	1,475	1,809	1,398	1,809
Set off	-	1,000	-	1,000
Guarantee	2,310	3,950	3,792	3,950
Exposure mitigation - Cash	-	3,380	-	3,380
Credit card	415	620	80	590
	34,242	52,465	37,170	50,729

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 2011.

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 operations, 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 fully paid back and replaced by a \$29 million loan facility which is fixed-interest bearing and repayable over 10 years from July 2012 to June 2021.

The net cash position at the end of the financial year was as follows:

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Financial assets		
Debt ⁽ⁱ⁾	(27,142)	(29,000)
Cash and cash equivalents	43,272	19,032
Excess of cash and cash equivalents over debt/(net debt)	16,130	(9,968)
Equity⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	176,699	160,767
Excess cash/net debt to equity ratio	9.1%	6.2%

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

⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ Equity includes all capital and reserves of the Group that are managed as capital.

(B) Categories of Financial Instruments

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Financial assets		
Loans and receivables	17,365	15,368
Cash and bank balances	43,272	19,032
Available-for-sale financial assets	21	21
Financial liabilities		
Amortised cost	46,737	48,400

(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

25 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

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.

(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 end of the financial year is as follows:

Liabilities		Assets	
2012 USD'000	2011 USD'000	2012 USD'000	2011 USD'000
1,749	2,436	252	2,553

Foreign Currency Sensitivity Analysis

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

- USD 15 million for engineering purchases
- USD 12 million for engine care and maintenance
- 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.

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Profit or loss	14	1

The Group's sensitivity to foreign currency has increased due to the decrease in USD denominated monetary assets.

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 the end of the financial year:

Outstanding Contracts	Average exchange rate		Foreign currency		Contract value		Fair value	
	2012	2011	2012 USD'000	2011 USD'000	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Buy USD								
Less than 12 months	-	1.004	-	11,000	-	10,562	-	227
Sell USD								
Less than 12 months	-	1.007	-	500	-	497	-	(33)

(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 \$50,000 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
2012						
Non-interest bearing	-	19,595	-	-	-	-
Interest bearing	9.1%	369	739	3,324	17,726	17,726
		19,964	739	3,324	17,726	17,726
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

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
2012						
Non-interest bearing	-	39	78	347	1,300	121
Interest bearing	5.0%	24	64	395	2,692	1,575
		63	142	742	3,992	1,696
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

25 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

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
2012			
Gross settled:			
Forward exchange contracts	-	-	-
2011			
Gross settled:			
Forward exchange contracts	948	5,723	3,394

(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:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Short-term benefits	1,511,195	1,339,212
Post-employment benefits	125,166	114,816
Other long-term benefits	13,714	17,845
Share-based payment	20,417	21,360
	1,670,492	1,493,233

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 2011	Shares gifted during the year	Balance at 30 June 2012
Directors:			
Lim Kim Hai	24,236,143	-	24,236,143
The Hon. John Sharp	400,000	-	400,000
Lee Thian Soo	11,449,362	-	11,449,362
James Davis	197,645	3,221	200,866
Chris Hine	166,029	3,429	169,458
Garry Filmer	10,001	2,653	12,654
Key management personnel:			
Warrick Lodge	134,894	2,959	137,853
Irwin Tan	10,678	2,959	13,637
Dale Hall	25,772	2,653	28,425
Mayooran Thanabalasingham	63,256	2,959	66,215
Neville Hodge	8,769	3,229	11,998
Png Yeow Tat	6,368	2,604	8,972

During the financial year, no options were granted to (2011: nil), nor exercised by (2011: nil) key management personnel for ordinary Rex shares. No options remained unpaid or to be exercised at the year end.

28 REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Audit and review of the consolidated financial report	248,000	241,000
Other non-audit services - tax compliance	69,010	150,000
	317,010	391,000

The auditor of the Group is Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu.

29 EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

1 July 2012 saw the start of the imposition of the carbon tax as well as the cessation of the En-route Subsidy rebate. Furthermore enhanced security arrangements at several regional airports were also implemented from the same day. Together these measures will have a negative annual impact of \$4-5 million on Rex.

On 1 July 2012 Rex ceased the Melbourne to Griffith route due to uneconomic viability as a result of the start of the carbon tax and the removal of the En-route Rebate scheme.

From 9 July 2012 (FY 2013) Rex commenced new services that link Mildura with direct flights to Adelaide and Sydney in addition to two daily return flights to Broken Hill. The latter will also see its flights to Sydney boosted from two to three return flights each week day, with an improved schedule that enables professionals from Sydney to make a day return trip to Broken Hill for a full day's work. In addition, Broken Hill will, for the first time, receive air services to Melbourne via Mildura.

On 12 July 2012, the Commonwealth of Australia, as represented by the Department of Defence extended the Air Transport Deed of Standing Offer with Pel-Air for an additional year until 1 November 2013.

The FIFO tender contract between Pel-Air and Iluka Resources was due to expire in the second half of 2012. Pel-Air has successfully negotiated a contract extension.

Rex has successfully concluded the Enterprise Agreement (EA) with the Aircraft Engineers as well as the Pilots group. Rex also successfully concluded the Collective Agreement with the Airline Services Union. All EAs and Collective Agreement have been voted in.

On 23 July 2012 Rex has placed a deposit to purchase a further 2 Saab 340Bplus aircraft at lease end in July 2013 and March 2014.

On 30 July 2012 the Commonwealth announced the cancellation of the JP66 tender to which Pel-Air was one of the respondents. A new tender is expected to be issued in due course.

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
- Charter
- Training

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		Segment result	
	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Continuing operations				
Regular public transport	223,771	213,016	37,062	29,443
Charter	45,488	22,199	4,214	(70)
Training	3,886	3,273	(143)	(434)
	273,145	238,488	41,133	28,939
Finance income	1,580	1,159	1,580	1,159
Other gains and losses	1,207	823	1,207	823
Central administration costs and directors' salaries			(7,312)	(6,826)
Finance costs			(1,531)	-
Profit before tax			35,077	24,095
Income tax expense			(9,580)	(6,502)
Consolidated segment revenue and profit	275,932	240,470	25,497	17,593

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

Segment result represents the profit earned by 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.

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

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Continuing operations		
Regular public transport assets	203,067	185,127
Charter assets	47,930	45,915
Training assets	8,574	8,527
Total assets	259,571	239,569

Other segment information for the year is as follows:

	Depreciation and amortisation		Additions to non-current assets	
	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Continuing operations				
Regular public transport	9,682	8,592	5,153	19,783
Charter	5,824	2,347	5,084	9,372
Training	304	229	46	64
	15,810	11,168	10,283	29,219

31 PARENT ENTITY DISCLOSURES

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
(A) Financial position		
Assets		
Current assets	54,645	30,743
Non-current assets	148,422	154,384
Total assets	203,067	185,127
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	48,186	43,361
Non-current liabilities	1,500	-
Total liabilities	49,686	43,361
Equity		
Issued capital	71,959	74,659
Retained earnings	80,332	66,371
Share-based payments reserve	774	420
General reserve	316	316
Total equity	153,381	141,766
(B) Financial performance		
Profit for the year	21,116	17,891
Other comprehensive income	-	(712)
Total comprehensive income	21,116	17,179

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

During the financial year 2011, 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 2012, no contingent liabilities or assets existed (2011: nil).

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

As at 30 June 2012, the parent entity has commitments of USD5,950 thousand for aircraft acquisition payable within one year.

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The directors declare that:

- 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;
- the attached financial statements are in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as stated in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements;
- 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
- 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



Garry Filmer
Chief Operating Officer
Sydney, 31 August 2012



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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 2012, the income statement, the 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 28 to 67.

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 gives a true and fair view and 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 consolidated 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 company'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 company'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.

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 2012 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*; and
- (b) the consolidated financial statements also comply 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 2012. 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 2012, complies with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU

Catherine Hill

Catherine Hill
Partner
Chartered Accountants
Sydney, 31 August 2012

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The Board is committed to sound corporate governance to ensure shareholder expectations are met and that Regional Express Holdings Limited (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 FY to 30 June 2012 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 2012 (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 2012, including independence status was as follows:

DIRECTOR	STATUS	DATE OF APPOINTMENT
Lim Kim Hai	Executive Chairman	Appointed 27 June 2003 and re-appointed 16 November 2006 and 25 November 2009
The Hon. John Sharp	Deputy Chairman and Independent Director	Appointed 14 April 2005 and re-appointed 19 November 2008 and 23 November 2011.
James Davis	Independent Director	Appointed 26 August 2004 as Executive Director and re-appointed 23 November 2011.
Garry Filmer	Chief Operating Officer (from 1 March 2012) Executive Director	Appointed 1 March 2012
Chris Hine	Chief Operating Officer (until 29 Feb 2012) Executive Director	Appointed 1 March 2011 and re-appointed 23 November 2011.
Lee Thian Soo	Non-Executive Director	Appointed 27 June 2003 and re-appointed 16 November 2006 and 25 November 2009
Ronald Bartsch	Independent Director	Appointed 23 November 2010 and re-appointed 23 November 2011.

The Board feels that James Davis' recent prior role as Managing Director will not affect the independence of his decision making as a Director and as such, has deemed him independent. 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 three directors out of seven 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. 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 Recommendations 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. This has resulted in performance that matches 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 and managing the performance of the Chief Operating 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 Management

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 (ASX 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 FY 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 Recommendations 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 FY attended by all members of the Committee. Descriptions of the members' qualifications, skills and experience are included in the Directors' Report.

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

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 Board also feels that James Davis, while not considered an independent director due to him holding an executive position up till 1 July 2011, will still make decisions that are in the best interests of the shareholders in his duty as Remuneration and Nomination Committee member. Having had first hand experience working with the members of the Management Committee and various members of the Company's management during his three years as Managing Director, he would be in the best position to make recommendations to the Board based on those experiences.

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.

The Company employs all staff on their merits and is committed to recognising and valuing the contributions of staff from diverse background. The Company has established a Diversity Policy (ASX Recommendation 3.2).

The Company does not believe in an affirmative action policy and setting of artificial targets for staff of various backgrounds (gender, religious, cultural, racial etc) but rather in ensuring that all staff are able to develop to their full extent of their capabilities and contributions (ASX Recommendation 3.3).

The Company was compliant with the Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Act 1999 as reported by the Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Agency.

As at the end of the reporting period the proportion of female employees in the Company was 31%. There were 9 women holding key manager positions in the Company. There were no female Board members or Management Committee members (ASX Recommendation 3.4).

The Code of Conduct, Share Trading Policy and Diversity Policy are available on the Company's website (ASX Recommendation 3.5).

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 FY 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 independent. The non-independent 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

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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 (ASX 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.

The Committee is chaired by Ron Bartsch. James Davis is 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 Chief Operating Officer and the General Manager (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 Chief Operating Officer 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 Recommendations 8.2 and 8.3).

ASX ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS AT 27 AUGUST 2012

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

110,089,430 fully paid ordinary shares are held by 2,910 individual shareholders.

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

Distribution of Holders of Equity Securities

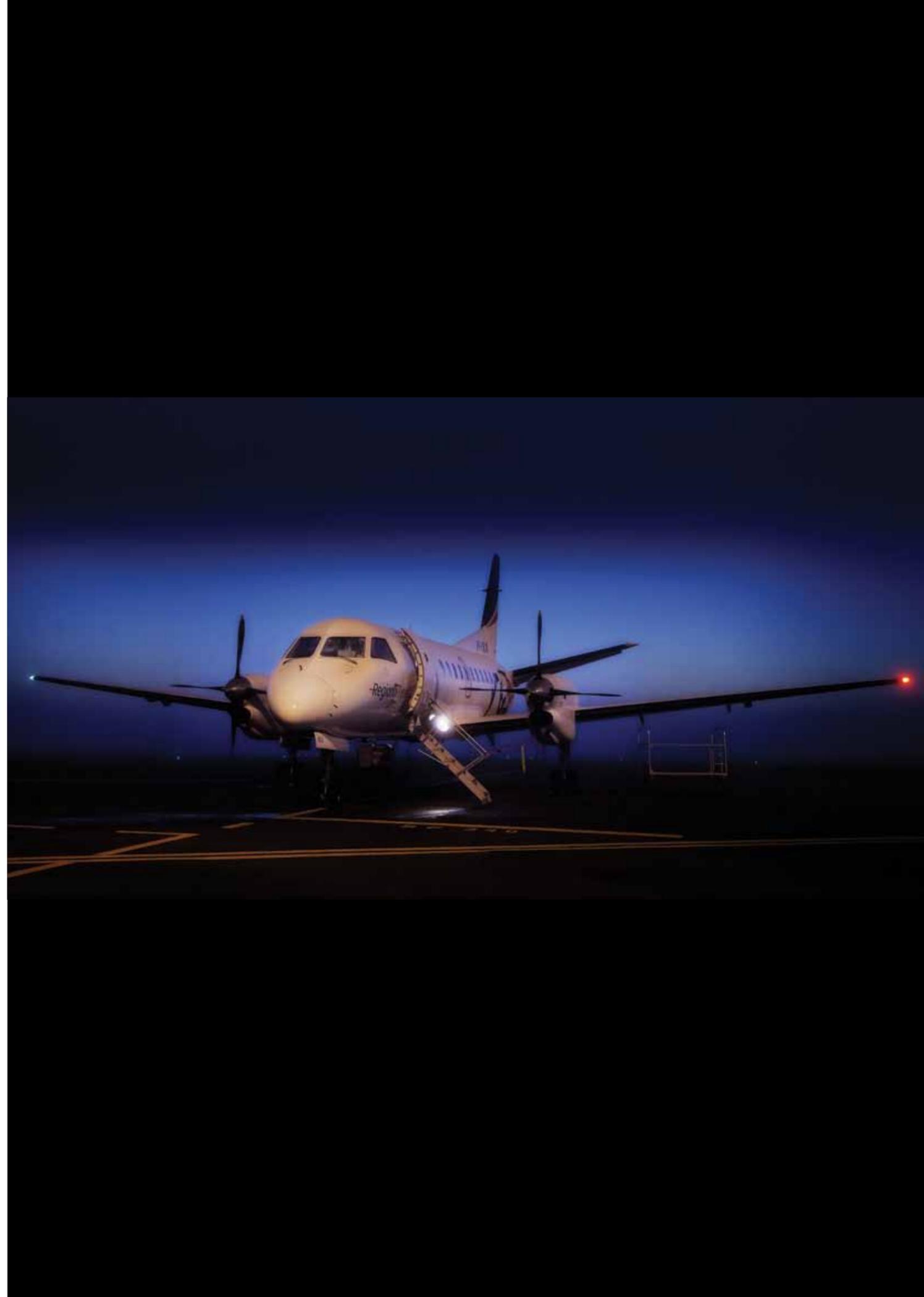
	Fully Paid Ordinary Shares		
	Investors	Securities	Issued Capital (%)
1 – 1,000	825	483,060	0.44
1,001 – 5,000	1,430	3,962,319	3.60
5,001 – 10,000	308	2,550,857	2.32
10,001 – 100,000	292	8,727,593	7.93
100,001 and over	55	94,365,601	85.71
Total	2,910	110,089,430	100.00

Substantial Shareholders

Ordinary Shareholders	Fully Paid	
	Number	Percentage
Mr Kim Hai Lim	18,480,630	16.79%
Mr Joe Tiau Tjoa	16,234,094	14.75%
Thian Soo Lee	7,722,181	7.01%
Ming Yew See Toh & Hui Ing Tjoa	7,454,362	6.77%
Joo Chye Chua	7,454,362	6.77%
Ms Hui Ling Tjoa	5,755,513	5.23%

Twenty Largest Holders of Quoted Equity Securities

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Ms Hui Ling Tjoa	5,755,513	5.23%
Lay Khim Ng	3,727,181	3.39%
Citicorp Nominees Pty Limited	2,275,565	2.07%
RBC Investor Services Australia Nominees Pty Limited	2,201,755	2.00%
J P Morgan Nominees Australia Limited	1,935,241	1.76%
Mr Thian Song Tjoa	1,382,046	1.26%
Rex Investment Holdings Pty Limited	1,320,700	1.20%
National Nominees Limited	1,316,562	1.20%
SCJ Pty Ltd	1,000,000	0.91%
Strategic Value Pty Ltd	964,658	0.88%
Mr Kok Leong Lee	956,545	0.87%
Rex Investment Holdings Pty Limited	953,057	0.87%
Mastar Pty Limited	900,000	0.82%
Strategic Value Pty Ltd	895,615	0.81%
Brazil Farming Pty Ltd	890,000	0.81%
Jowong Pty Limited	846,950	0.77%





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