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Mr John Alexander
Chair
Sydney Airport Community Forum
c/o Department of Infrastructure and Transport (Aviation Environment
Branch)
GPO Box 594 Canberra ACT 2601

Via email: ChairSACF@infrastructure.gov.au

Dear Mr Alexander

Re: Environment Strategy 2013 – 2018

I am writing to let you know that Sydney Airport's Environment Strategy 2013 – 2018 (the Strategy) has been approved by the Australian Government.

A copy of the Strategy, which forms part of our Master Plan 2033, can be downloaded at <http://www.sydneyairport.com.au/corporate/community-environment-and-planning/environment/policy-and-strategy.aspx>.

The Strategy was developed following an extensive community and stakeholder consultation process.

It details Sydney Airport's environmental objectives and commitments for the next five years, builds on the environmental achievements made over the previous five years and promotes the continual improvement of environmental management at Sydney Airport.

The Strategy covers all ground-based environmental aspects associated with the operation of Sydney Airport including:

- Sustainability and environmental management
- Climate change and energy management
- Water management
- Air quality
- Ground-based noise
- Ground transport
- Biodiversity and conservation management
- Soil and land management
- Spills response and hazardous materials

The Strategy contains more than 100 ongoing and new actions and initiatives that, together, will minimise Sydney Airport's impact on the environment and support our objective of sustainable growth.

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Sydney Airport achieves Airport Carbon Accreditation

As part of our commitment to environmental sustainability and action on climate change, I am also pleased to advise that Sydney Airport recently became Airport Carbon Accredited (Level 1) by the Airports Council International (ACI) under its carbon standard for airports.

At Sydney Airport, we are committed to managing the airport in an environmentally sustainable way, minimising our impact on the environment and meeting voluntary global commitments for reducing carbon emissions.

We are very pleased to receive this seal of approval from the internationally and industry recognised Airport Carbon Accreditation.

Working to reduce environmental impacts is an essential part of our Strategy. We have mapped our carbon footprint and are now working to reduce our carbon emissions.

The Strategy and associated energy savings plan identify new energy saving, greenhouse gas emission reduction and energy efficiency opportunities. Some of our recent environmental initiatives include installing new energy efficient lighting at various locations, saving water through our water recycling plant, offsetting vehicle fleet carbon emissions by planting trees, and investing to facilitate cleaner, next generation aircraft.

We also work collectively with the broader aviation community to reduce environmental impacts, while continuing to provide global air connectivity.

If you would like any further information about the Strategy or our recent Airport Carbon Accreditation, please contact Sydney Airport's Manager Environment, Ms Julia Phillips, on (02) 9667 6422.

Yours sincerely



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