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REX'S JET FLEET CONTINUES TO GROW

Rex has taken delivery of the airline's ninth Boeing 737-800NG.

The aircraft arrived in Brisbane last Friday night after a ferry flight from Singapore's Changi Airport where it underwent a scheduled heavy maintenance check and painting. The aircraft will bear the registration VH-8JS and will enter service next month enabling the airline to launch its new route between Adelaide and Brisbane on 30 October.

This latest addition to the fleet closely follows Rex's eighth Boeing 737-800NG which entered into service on 15 August and will allow Rex to further increase its domestic footprint across all the capital cities in Australia. Rex now has ten domestic routes connecting capital cities and holiday destinations across five States.

Rex intends to add another two Boeing 737-800NG aircraft to its domestic fleet before the end of the financial year based on aircraft availability.

"Australians are crying out for an airline like Rex that has over 20 years of safe, reliable service delivered with heartfelt country hospitality and integrity," Rex Deputy Chairman, the Hon John Sharp AM, said.

"Besides being consistently Australia's most reliable airline, we are proud that during COVID, we refunded every passenger who requested a COVID-related refund. We even sent out six reminders to travel agents requesting they initiate refunds for passengers who booked directly through them.

"We did not sell tickets for phantom flights in a bid to enhance cash flow. We also did not retrench any staff during COVID. On the contrary, we were aggressively recruiting for our domestic operation. We do not ever gouge our passengers even on routes where we are the sole operator and we do not squat on valuable airport slots by gaming the system," added Mr Sharp.

"We are confident that with the continued growth of our network, more and more Australians will experience and switch to the only true Australian carrier they can trust and rely on." Mr Sharp added.

Rex is Australia's largest independent regional and domestic airline operating a fleet of 58 Saab 340 and 9 Boeing 737-800NG aircraft to 57 destinations throughout all states in Australia. In addition to the airline Rex, the Rex Group comprises wholly owned subsidiaries Pel-Air Aviation (air freight, aeromedical and charter operator), the Australian Airline Pilot Academy with campuses in Wagga Wagga and Ballarat, and propeller maintenance organisation, Australian Aerospace Propeller Maintenance. Rex is also a 50% shareholder of National Jet Express (NJE), a premier Fly-In-Fly-Out (FIFO), charter and freight operator.

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