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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## **REX RESTORES NSW REGIONAL FLIGHTS FROM NOVEMBER 15**

- Sydney-Port Macquarie and Sydney-Coffs Harbour flights resume
- Big boost for NSW intrastate routes
- No Christmas holiday blackout dates on sale fares

Rex today unveiled plans to increase capacity and reinstate suspended services on key NSW regional routes from November 15.

In an unprecedented move, Rex also announced a range of sale fares with no Christmas holiday blackout dates to celebrate the re-opening.

Three flights a day will service both Sydney-Port Macquarie and Sydney-Coffs Harbour, with fares from \$99 each way. These \$99 fares are on sale now until November 14 for travel up to April 30 next year unless sold out prior.

The \$99 fare with no blackout dates is also available from Sydney to many NSW regional centres including: Albury, Armidale, Dubbo, Griffith, Orange, Merimbula, Moruya and Wagga Wagga.

Rex will also significantly increase capacity on these routes from November 15 with daily return flights to Sydney replacing the two to three flights a week the airline operated to maintain essential services during lockdowns.

Additional services will be progressively added as demand for travel returns in the weeks and months ahead.

"Our commitment to remote and regional NSW communities has never been stronger and we are delighted we can now help even more family and friends re-connect and allow Christmas holidays to be booked with confidence," Rex Deputy Chairman, the Hon John Sharp AM, said.

"The resumption of flights will also provide a much-needed boost to local economies, stimulate regional tourism and help businesses ravaged by the pandemic to recover more quickly."

"Rex's decision not to blackout school holidays is unprecedented and I would urge travellers to book without delay as these sale fares will be snapped up," Mr Sharp said.

"I have no doubt our competitors will rush to copy our ground-breaking initiative as Rex will once again have triggered a seismic change in the aviation industry which will benefit hundreds of thousands of passengers.

"Rex passengers can book with absolute confidence because they are protected by our unique Refund Guarantee policy against any COVID-related disruptions.

"And they know all Rex front-line staff, including our pilots and flights attendants, are fully vaccinated from 1 November which gives them even greater peace of mind," Mr Sharp said.





**Rex** is Australia's largest independent regional and domestic airline operating a fleet of 60 Saab 340 and six Boeing 737-800NG aircraft to 61 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) and the two pilot academies, Australian Airline Pilot Academy in Wagga Wagga and Ballarat.

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