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## MEDIA RELEASE

### REX ANNOUNCES ANTARCTIC ADVISORY PANEL IN SUPPORT OF ITS SUBMISSION FOR THE UPCOMING ANTARCTIC AVIATION TENDER

The Regional Express Group (Rex) is pleased to introduce the members of its Rex Antarctic Advisory Panel (RAAP). The panellists will help formulate Rex's response to the Request for Tender (RFT) expected in November for aviation capabilities in support of the Australian Antarctic Program.

In announcing the composition of its RAAP, Rex's Executive Chairman, Lim Kim Hai, said, "The panellists are amongst the world's foremost authorities on aviation operations in the Antarctic and with their guidance and active involvement, we are confident that Rex's proposal will exceed the expectations of the Australian Antarctic Division (AAD). The panellists' insights and diverse perspectives will undoubtedly contribute to innovative solutions that enhance the safety, effectiveness, and reliability of aviation support operations critical to the success of the AAD's mission in Antarctica. The panel will also ensure that the AAD will have a solution that is carefully designed to remain adequate for its future needs spanning the next 15-20 years."

The RAAP has commenced work in advance of the issue of the RFT and plans to finalise the preparations by the time the RFT is issued.

The formation of the RAAP follows the recent announcement of the exclusive Teaming Agreement with Helicopter Resources and Enterprise Aviation, both with decades of experience operating in the Antarctic, to jointly respond to the RFT.

The bios of the panellists is available on request.

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