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## **Rex reduces fuel surcharge**

Regional Express (Rex) has responded to the recent fall in global oil prices by announcing that the airline will decrease its fuel surcharge by \$4.00 (including GST) per sector effective on all sales from 1 August 2008. This will see Rex's fuel surcharge decrease to \$40.00 per sector.

Rex General Manager, Network Strategy and Sales, Mr Warrick Lodge said, "One of Rex's key strategies has been to make fares more affordable. In FY08 Rex's average ticket price inclusive of the fuel levy was some 15% lower than it was in FY03, despite oil prices increasing by more than 400% over this 6 year period.

"Rex will continue to monitor the price of fuel and respond with appropriate changes to the fuel surcharge as and when necessary," Mr Lodge said.

The fuel surcharge decrease is also applicable to Rex's subsidiary airline, Air Link. Rex is Australia's largest independent regional airline operating a fleet of 39 Saab 340 aircraft on more than 1,200 flights weekly to 23 destinations from Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide. The Rex Group comprises Regional Express, air freight and charter operator Pel-Air Aviation and Dubbo based regional airline Air Link, as well as the Australian Airline Pilot Academy.