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Dear Manager,

ACMA FYSO CONSULTATION

By way of introduction, I am Andrew Freers Manager at Geraldton Airport. I am writing this letter to request that the ACMA include in the Five-Year Spectrum Outlook and upcoming Work Program a consideration to expand the current body scanner class licence.

Specifically, Geraldton Airport supports expanding the radiofrequency range of the current body scanner class licence to allow for the operation of a broader range of devices and new generation devices.

Geraldton Airport is owned and operated by the City of Greater Geraldton and is situated approximately 10km east of Geraldton on the Geraldton-Mt Magnet Road.

Geraldton Airport is a hub for: daily flights to and from Perth; services to Karratha, Port Hedland and Broome three times a week; general aviation charter flights; Royal Flying Doctor Services; RAAF deployments; and fly in fly out charter flights to regional Western Australia. We use Leidos' current generation body scanners for our airport security screening, but we are eager to adopt advancements in technology that can enhance safety, efficiency, and the overall passenger experience.

Leidos' ProVision 3 technology in the 20-40 GHz frequency range has the potential to substantially enhance our body scanning operations, including by improving staff efficiency and because it has better threat detection capabilities.

Geraldton Airport is concerned that the ACMA is now proposing to postpone any review of the body scanner class licence indefinitely. This position prevents airports from taking steps to improve their security and passenger experience. Geraldton Airport considers that this issue should be progressed as soon as reasonably possible.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Yours sincerely



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