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PUBLIC NOTICE

**REVIEW OF THE COASTAL SHIPPING AND AIRLINES INDUSTRIES IN
PAPUA NEW GUINEA (“REVIEWS”)**

RELEASE OF ISSUES PAPERS

The Independent Consumer & Competition Commission (Commission) wishes to advise the General Public and the relevant Industry Stakeholders that the respective Issues Papers for the Review of the Airlines and Coastal Shipping Industries in Papua New Guinea are completed and available for public comments and submissions.

The Reviews, which are part of the Government’s 2006 Budget Strategy are being undertaken by the Commission in accordance with the provisions of Part VIII of the *Independent Consumer & Competition Commission Act 2002* (“Act”) which empowers the Commission to conduct specific enquiries necessary and desirable for the purposes of the Commission in carrying out its functions or as directed by the Minister responsible for Treasury matters or by Parliament. The Minister for Finance & Treasury has on the 26th of January 2006, formally referred these Reviews to the Commission together with the official terms of references for the respective industries.

Time frame

The timeframe for the respective Reviews are as follows:

	Airlines Review	Shipping Review
Release of Issue Paper	20th March 2006	20 th March 2006
Receipt of submissions from Issues Paper	21 April 2006	28 April 2006
Release of Draft Report	16 June 2006	23 June 2006
Submissions due on Draft Report	14 July 2006	21 July 2006
Release of Final Report	18 August 2006	1 September 2006

Public Submissions

The Commission now seeks comments and submissions from industry stakeholders and the general public on matters raised in the respective Issues Papers including any other matters of pertinence affecting the competitiveness and cost efficiencies of the two industries.

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Consistent with the timeframe for these Reviews, the Commission intends to release the Draft Reports for the Airlines and Coastal Shipping industries on the 16th June 2006 and 23 June 2006 respectively. Accordingly all submissions and comments on the Issues Papers should be forwarded to the Commission within the deadline stated above.

Copies of the respective Issues Papers can be collected at the reception of the Commission's office at 1st Floor Garden City Complex or on this email address: salphonse@iccc.gov.pg.

All written Submissions should be addressed to:

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Authorised by;



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