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Commerce Commission
P O Box 2351
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Attention: Susan Brown
Investigator
Commerce Act Division

Dear Susan

PRICE CONTROL STUDY OF AIRFIELD ACTIVITIES

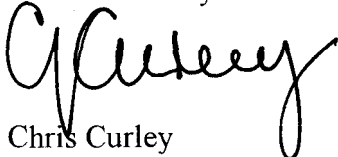
We are in receipt of the proposed timetable for progressing the inquiry inviting comment.

Auckland International Airport has no difficulty with the 1 August 2002 reporting date, however the commencement date does pose some concerns.

The 1999 timetable ran from initial submission on 27 August to a final reporting date of 14 December - roughly 3 ½ (say 4) months. Using the same time frame for 2002, submissions would not be due until 1 April. We, however, would push strongly for a mid-March date for initial submissions - Auckland International Airport Ltd is a publicly listed company and with its half year ending 31 December, it has full six monthly accounts and Stock Exchange reporting requirements which must occupy key staff until early March. A mid-March submission date would enable us to better manage the initial submissions and give them the full attention to detail that they will necessarily involve.

Favourable consideration of a **15 March 2002** date for the lodging of initial submissions is requested.

Yours faithfully



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