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TAXI REFORM WELCOME NEWS FOR PASSENGERS

Canberra Airport has welcomed the ACT Government's announcement that it will release another 10 taxi plates, and believes the plates will be quickly taken up as a result of the halving of the annual licence fee.

The Airport Managing Director, Stephen Byron, said the increase in the availability of taxis would be welcomed by incoming international and domestic passengers.

"The past few months have seen a significant increase in the number of incoming passengers, with the additional services provided by Singapore Airlines, Tiger Airlines and FlyPelican, as well as growth by Qantas and Virgin Australia", Mr Byron said.

"The Airport has been one of the major stakeholders participating in the ACT Taxi Reform Implementation Group, and we congratulate the Government on its response to our concerns about long queues and delays for passengers".

"We would welcome the release of the plates as early as the 1st of April, and this will signal relief for passengers who have sometimes had to wait for unsatisfactory periods for taxis".

"Our services to our passengers go beyond an efficient and friendly transit onto their flights. We aim to provide an equally efficient transport service into the city and beyond, and we have advanced our incoming passengers' concerns with the Implementation Group".

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