

AIRPORT PRIVATISATION

MOORABBIN AIRPORT, MELBOURNE

In 1997/1998 the Australian Government during its second tranche of airport sales, offered Moorabbin Airport for sale under a 49 year lease [with optional 50 year extension] arrangement.

Stringent due diligence, probity, operational and technical evaluations, financial and business planning together with detailed 20 year airport development plans were requirements of short listed consortia bids.



Moorabbin Airport

PROJECT

Historically Moorabbin Airport has provided the city of Melbourne, Australia a well located general aviation [GA] facility servicing the south and south-eastern regions of the Melbourne metropolitan area with safe convenient air transport services. Integral to a healthy aviation industry is a solid support and training base. Moorabbin airport provides a wide range of aviation training organisations, maintenance and associated support industry base.

Moorabbin Airport today provides valued services to corporate aircraft traffic, charter services, training organisations and essential services such as Police to metropolitan and regional areas.

The privatisation and subsequent development of Moorabbin Airport is considered to feature as a prominent element of infrastructure to the Melbourne south and south-eastern metropolitan basin. Moorabbin Airport is seen as having significant potential as a regional and interstate hub providing regular air services for the surrounding light industry basin to complementary industry basins interstate.

SERVICES PROVIDED by **AMBIDJI**

As a member of a consortium comprising a prominent local property developer, FRONTEC Corporation of Canada and a major financial institution, **Ambidji** provided specialist aviation sector advice to the consortium, including:

- ❖ Specialist Aviation experience in aviation operations, air traffic control and airspace management issues;
- ❖ Operational due diligence;
- ❖ Technical due diligence;
- ❖ Airport planning;
- ❖ Aviation business plan development including traffic forecasting, charging options and new business strategies;
- ❖ Interface with the ATS service provider, stakeholders and Government on aviation related issues; and
- ❖ Airport clientele surveys and consultation.

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