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Mr Liam McFadden London Borough of Newham Newham Dockside 1000 Dockside Road London E16 2QU

Reference: 22/03045/VAR

Dear Mr McFadden

I am writing to you to express our support for London City Airport's (LCY) planning application to seek changes to its existing planning permissions (reference 22/03045/VAR).

We were pleased to see that London City Airport have followed a rigorous consultation process, inviting feedback and views from a wide range of stakeholders. The proposals as they now stand are likely to provide further economic benefit to the borough, be that through direct or indirect job creation or the local businesses in the airport's supply chain. It is estimated that London City Airport's proposals will create almost 2,200 additional jobs across London, including 1,340 at the Airport.

London Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI) recognises the environmental impact from aviation, and indeed is working with its stakeholders to campaign for further support to decarbonise the industry. London City Airport's decision to only allow aircraft that are quieter and less polluting to operate in the proposed extended hours on Saturdays and for any new flights in the first half hour should provide an incentive to airlines to upgrade their fleets, in order to take advantage of the increased flexibility. Airlines that do not utilise the newest generation of aircraft will not be able to make use of the increased hours.

London City Airport is a critical component of 'Global London', providing an important transport artery in and out of the city. Increasing the number of passengers who can fly in and out of London City Airport represents an opportunity to further develop London's links with key European destinations and help support the capital's recovery in tourism, as well as strengthening the ties between businesses across Newham and other parts of Europe.

We hope that Newham Council will support the Airport's proposals which stand to help leverage a further shift of airlines to cleaner aircraft, whilst increasing the economic benefits from London City Airport to the local area without increasing the number of flights.

Yours sincerely



Richard Burge Chief Executive London Chamber of Commerce and Industry