RAANZ CEO Annual Report

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Year in Review

This year has brought significant change across the Civil Aviation Authority, with new leadership appointments including a new Director, Deputy Chief Executives, Part 149 contacts, and aircraft inspection personnel. Despite this transition period, we successfully completed our Part 149 Reentry audit just prior to these key personnel changes.

Relationship with CAA

Maintaining our delegated authority remains a critical priority as we work with the reconstituted CAA teams. We have encountered some resistance regarding our delegated responsibilities, and it appears that comprehensive understanding of both Part 149 and Part 103 has not yet been fully established within the new team structure. We are actively working to strengthen these relationships and clarify our mandate.

On a positive note, the CAA has committed to updating all Rule Parts over the next two years. This presents an excellent opportunity for RAANZ to provide substantive input into regulatory development. We will be establishing a dedicated sub-committee to draft our recommendations for consideration.

Major Achievements

Our most significant undertaking this year was the development and completion of our new Exposition. This represented a substantial body of work, and I trust all members have had the opportunity to review it. I want to extend special thanks to Sarah Colliver for her invaluable contributions to this project, alongside our dedicated committee members.

Acknowledgments

Part 149 Team

Colin Alexander has served as our Technical Officer for several years, with his contributions proving invaluable to our operations. Many members benefit directly from the engine oncondition programme that Colin developed through extensive research and effort. Colin has now transitioned this responsibility to Peter Kempthorne, who has made an excellent start in the role.

Stuart Parker and Rodger Ward have continued their outstanding work throughout the year. I

strongly encourage as many members as possible to attend the workshops that Rodger and his team are conducting nationwide. These sessions provide valuable opportunities to engage directly with the RAANZ team and stay current with regulatory requirements and organizational changes.

New Team Members

Special recognition goes to Ray Ninow, who has taken on the Education Officer role and is standing for committee election at this AGM. Ray has been working diligently to address the challenges we've experienced with the Learning Management System this year.

Grant Coldicott stepped into the Quality Auditor vacancy and has made significant contributions over the past ten months. Grant's previous experience as RAANZ Administrator has proven invaluable in supporting committee operations.

Looking Ahead

We anticipate welcoming several new committee members this year, and I look forward to working with them—assuming members choose to reappoint me to this position. While challenges lie ahead, I encourage all members to stay informed on key issues and maintain active engagement with RAANZ as we navigate the evolving regulatory landscape together.

Respectfully submitted,

RAANZ CEO