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Re: UK CAA update on the approach to the regulatory framework (CAP3286 – Heathrow capacity expansion)

Dear Economic Regulation team

1. Delta Air Lines, Inc. (**Delta**) welcomes the opportunity to comment on the CAA's updated views on the regulatory framework for Heathrow Airport expansion and the proposed next steps set out in CAP3286. Delta's views on the regulatory models for Heathrow expansion were set out in its response to the CAP3251 consultation, and those views remain unchanged.
2. Delta welcomes the CAA's proposal to combine regulatory models 1a, 2, 3, 4a, 4b and 5b into a single regulatory framework. Delta supports the CAA's progression of this work to ensure an effective combination of those models and remains keen to assist the CAA to ensure the regulatory model furthers the interests of consumers.
3. As set out in its response to CAP3251, it is important reform moves forward expeditiously and is not unnecessarily delayed. Delta remains of the view that reform should be robust, such that the changes are impactful.
4. Delta notes that the CAA intends to publish a more detailed document in September 2026 expanding on its proposals. Delta intends to respond more fully to the consultation at that stage.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'David R. Werner'.

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