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FlySafair: Letter of
Support – Cape
Winelands Airport
(CWA)

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To Whom It May Concern

LETTER OF SUPPORT – CAPE WINELANDS AIRPORT (CWA)

Safair Operations Proprietary Limited (“FlySafair”) is pleased to provide this letter of support for the proposed Cape Winelands Airport (“CWA”) – a strategically located brownfield airport development in the Western Cape, South Africa.

As South Africa’s leading low-cost carrier (“LCC”) and a significant contributor to the domestic aviation market, FlySafair has worked tirelessly to expand access to affordable, reliable air travel across the country. In 2023 alone, FlySafair carried over 6 million passengers and was recognised by OAG as the most on-time airline in the world. We now operate more than 100 daily flights and continue to grow our domestic and regional footprint.

We recognise the need for additional airport capacity in the Western Cape—not just to accommodate future growth, but to improve the operational resilience and redundancy of the region’s airspace. The establishment of CWA adds critical support infrastructure from both a physical operations standpoint and as a designated alternate airport, which is essential for robust flight planning, emergency preparedness, and overall system reliability.

The airport’s location near the Cape Winelands and northern growth corridors of Cape Town positions it well to serve multiple demand centres across business, tourism, and logistics. This decentralised positioning will support access to emerging catchments and ease pressure on existing infrastructure.

Secondary airports such as CWA are essential to the success of the low-cost carrier model. Around the world, secondary airports have enabled LCCs to thrive by offering lower airport charges, quicker turnaround times, and reduced airspace congestion. These efficiencies are fundamental to maintaining our high aircraft utilisation, low operating costs, and ability to offer affordable fares.

FlySafair welcomes CWA’s approach to airport planning—prioritising scalable infrastructure, cost-effective operations, and direct engagement with airline partners. These qualities will help unlock new route opportunities and improve connectivity for a growing number of South Africans and visitors.

We support airport developments that promote competition, unlock new economic nodes, and enhance the resilience of South Africa’s aviation network. Cape Winelands Airport aligns with these objectives, and we look forward to continued collaboration as the project moves toward operational readiness.

Yours sincerely,

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Elmar Conradie

Chief Executive Officer

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