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NEW GM FOR TOWNSVILLE AIRPORT

***** FORMER MACAIR BOSS TO JOIN QUEENSLAND AIRPORTS TEAM *****

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Queensland Airports Limited (QAL) has announced the appointment of former MacAir Airlines General Manager Kevin Gill as the new General Manager for Townsville Airport.

QAL owns and operates Townsville, Mount Isa and Gold Coast airports.

Effective from Monday (31/3), Mr Gill will replace former Townsville Airport GM Maurice Geary who will remain within the QAL group assuming a key role in the delivery of a \$100million terminal redevelopment at Gold Coast Airport.

QAL Managing Director Dennis Chant welcomed Mr Gill's appointment as a major win for Townsville Airport, the QAL group and North Queensland as a whole.

"Kevin has a wealth of experience in aviation and airline management. As a long standing Townsville resident, he will be a great fit for Townsville Airport's North Queensland community focus," Mr Chant said.

"We consider it a real coup to welcome him on board as part of our Townsville Airport team."

Mr Chant was quick to recognise former Townsville Airport General Manager Maurice Geary.

"During his 15 months as GM, Maurice and his team of dedicated professionals have done an outstanding job in progressing and growing Townsville Airport for the benefit of the North Queensland community," Mr Chant said.



“Under Maurice’s leadership, the airport’s passenger numbers have reached record highs with a staggering 1.4million people passing through the terminal last financial year.

“This new recruitment has enabled the QAL group to relocate Maurice back to his family on the Gold Coast assuming an integral role in one of our largest construction projects to date: the \$100 million redevelopment of the Gold Coast Airport terminal.”

New Townsville Airport GM Kevin Gill said he was honoured and excited to take on his new challenge.

“Townsville Airport is a vital infrastructure asset for the Townsville region and I look forward to adding significant value to the ongoing success of the airport and the wider community.”

Mr Gill has 20 years experience in the aviation industry including senior executive positions with MacAir Airlines and Air New Zealand. He is married with two children.

Townsville Airport is owned and operated by Townsville Airport Pty Limited, a Queensland Airports Limited Company. For details visit www.townsvilleairport.com.au.

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