Instrument number CASA EX156/17

I, SHANE PATRICK CARMODY, Director of Aviation Safety, on behalf of CASA, make this instrument under regulations 11.160 and 11.245 of the *Civil Aviation Safety Regulations* 1998 and paragraph 6 (2) (f) of instrument CASA 96/17.

[Signed S. Carmody]

Shane Carmody Director of Aviation Safety

27 October 2017

Exemption, approval and direction – operation of model aircraft – members of Model Aeronautical Association of Australia

1 Duration

This instrument:

- (a) commences on the day of registration; and
- (b) is repealed at the end of 30 April 2018.

2 Definitions

Note In this instrument certain terms and expressions have the same meaning as they have in the Civil Aviation Act 1988 and the regulations. These include: AGL, controlled aerodrome and model aircraft.

In this instrument:

MAAA means Model Aeronautical Association of Australia Incorporated, ARN 578375.

MAAA aircraft means a model aircraft operated by an MAAA member in accordance with the MAAA Manual of Procedures.

MAAA member means a person who:

- (a) under the MAAA rules, is an affiliate member, associate member, honorary member or probationary member of the MAAA; and
- (b) has paid any membership fees payable to the MAAA in respect of the membership.

MAAA Manual of Procedures means:

- (a) the document published by the MAAA as MOP004 dated 27 October 2017; and
- (b) the document published by the MAAA as MOP061 dated 27 October 2017;
- (c) other documents published by the MAAA as part of its Manual of Procedures with a "MOP" document title, that are not inconsistent with MOP061 and MOP004, as the other documents exist from time to time.

MAAA rules means the MAAA Statement of Rules, as the rules exist from time to time.

3 Exemption — operation near controlled aerodromes

For regulation 11.160, I exempt an MAAA member operating an MAAA aircraft from regulation 11.255 of CASR to the extent that the provision makes it a criminal offence for the member to operate the aircraft in contravention of the direction in subsection 4 (1) of instrument CASA 96/17.

4 Approval — operation higher than 400 ft AGL

For paragraph 6 (2) (f) of instrument CASA 96/17, I approve an MAAA member to operate an MAAA aircraft higher than 400 ft AGL.

5 Direction — MAAA Manual of Procedures

For regulation 11.245 of CASR, I direct MAAA not to amend, without CASA's prior written approval, any part of the MAAA Manual of Procedures published as document "MOP004" or "MOP061" that affects the operation of model aircraft:

- (a) higher than 400 ft AGL; or
- (b) within 3 nautical miles of a controlled aerodrome.

Note This instrument will be reissued to reapply any amended version of MOP004 or MOP061.