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**Alliance Aviation Services (ASX code: AQZ)**  
**Major Contract Win**  
**Alliance Executes Long Term Contract with Santos Limited**

- Alliance wins a new contract servicing the oil and gas reserves of the Cooper Basin.
- Won tender as a result of flexible approach and an outstanding record of operational performance.
- Further enhances Alliance's position as the leading charter operator in Australasia.
- Contract covers jet and turboprop operations and airport management.

Alliance Aviation Services Limited (Alliance) today announced that it has signed a new contract with Santos Limited (Santos) for a 5 year period commencing 1 March 2016.

This new 5 year contract will require Alliance to commence jet services from Adelaide to Moomba in the Cooper Basin to serve the gas and oil operations of Santos. The initial requirement is for Alliance to operate between 10 and 16 services per week in its own right and to coordinate and manage airport operations and intra-field subcontracted flying.

Alliance Chief Executive Officer, Lee Schofield said, "This new contract adds to services that Alliance have provided to Santos in Queensland since 2006. We remain passionate about long term relationships which have always been developed from a foundation of industry leading operational performance and outstanding customer service. This is the reason why Alliance retains and wins long term contracts."

This new business expands the company's operations in South Australia and is the first material contract in the oil and gas sector for Alliance. With the economic challenges this sector is currently experiencing, Alliance is ideally positioned to offer proven operational performance along with flexible and cost effective solutions.

Mr Schofield added, "This contract was won in partnership with Avmin Air Charter Specialists to provide Santos with a total package including ground support and airport management at both Moomba and Ballera."

Alliance will release its half year results on Monday 15 February 2016.

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## **About Alliance Aviation**

*Alliance Aviation is Australia's leading provider of contract and ad hoc air charter services.*

*The Company provides essential services to mining, energy, tourism and government sectors.*

*The company holds Flight Safety Foundation "BARS Gold" status, the first such carrier in Australia to be so recognised.*

*Alliance operates a fleet of 15 Fokker 100, 8 Fokker 70LR jet aircraft and 5 Fokker 50 turboprops at world leading on time performance and despatch reliability.*

*The Company has a national footprint with operations based in Brisbane, Townsville, Cairns, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Auckland.*

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