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The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] today acknowledged that negotiations are under way with Virgin Blue Holdings concerning a potential 777-300ER order, as announced by the airline in Sydney earlier today. We appreciate Virgin Blue's interest in the 777 which we believe will provide efficient and comfortable longhaul service to meet the airline's international business plans and its passengers' needs.

Virgin Blue currently operates an extensive fleet of Boeing Next-Generation 737s.

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