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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 long-haul 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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