

CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORP LTD  
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**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 6-K**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16**

**under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of March 2016

Commission File Number: 001-14550

China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited

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(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Board Secretariat's Office

Kong Gang San Lu, Number 88

Shanghai, China 200335

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

**China Eastern Airlines**  
**Corporation Limited**  
**(Registrant)**

**Date:** March 15, 2016 **By:** /s/ Wang Jian

Name: Wang Jian

Title: Joint Company Secretary

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## **INSIDE INFORMATION**

### **OVERSEAS REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENT**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT ON OPERATING DATA FOR FEBRUARY 2016**

This overseas regulatory announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.09 and Rule 13.10B of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("**Listing Rules**") and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

The Company and all members of the Board confirm that the information contained in this announcement is true, accurate and complete, and no misrepresentations, misleading statements or material omissions are contained herein.

#### **I. OPERATING DATA**

| Actual amount completed | Year- | Total | Total actual amount completed | Year- |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------------|-------|
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|   | Estimated<br>amount for<br>February | for the<br>same period<br>last year | on-year<br>increase<br>(%) | estimated<br>amount for<br>the year | for the<br>same period<br>last year | on-year<br>increase<br>(%) |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Capacity  |                                     |                                     |                            |                                     |                                     |                            |
| ATK (available tonne<br>– kilometres)(millions) | 2,269.69                            | 2,000.30                            | 13.5                       | 4,569.74                            | 3,946.93                            | 15.8                       |
| – Domestic routes                               | 1,155.42                            | 1,029.29                            | 12.3                       | 2,314.93                            | 2,025.72                            | 14.3                       |
| – International routes                          | 1,044.87                            | 904.20                              | 15.6                       | 2,117.57                            | 1,789.95                            | 18.3                       |
| – Regional routes                               | 69.40                               | 66.81                               | 3.9                        | 137.24                              | 131.26                              | 4.6                        |
| ASK (available seat<br>– kilometres)(millions)  |                                     |                                     |                            |                                     |                                     |                            |
| – Domestic routes                               | 10,473.03                           | 9,415.65                            | 11.2                       | 21,039.03                           | 18,588.07                           | 13.2                       |
| – International routes                          | 5,738.02                            | 4,515.66                            | 27.1                       | 11,320.73                           | 8,731.45                            | 29.7                       |
| – Regional routes                               | 509.86                              | 488.44                              | 4.4                        | 986.09                              | 941.96                              | 4.7                        |

|  | <b>Estimated<br/>amount for<br/>February</b> | <b>Actual<br/>amount<br/>completed<br/>for the<br/>same period<br/>last year</b> | <b>Year-<br/>on-year<br/>increase<br/>(%)</b> | <b>Total<br/>estimated<br/>amount for<br/>the year</b> | <b>Total actual<br/>amount<br/>completed<br/>for the<br/>same period<br/>last year</b> | <b>Year-<br/>on-year<br/>increase<br/>(%)</b> |
|--|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| AFTK (available freight tonne<br>– kilometres)(millions) | 764.81                                       | 702.53   | 8.9   | 1,568.61   | 1,403.40   | 11.8  |
| – Domestic routes  | 212.84                                       | 181.89   | 17.0  | 421.41   | 352.79   | 19.5  |
| – International routes                                   | 528.45                                       | 497.79   | 6.2   | 1,098.70   | 1,004.12   | 9.4   |
| – Regional routes  | 23.52  | 22.85  | 2.9   | 48.49  | 46.49  | 4.3   |
| Traffic  |  |  |   |  |  |   |
| RTK (revenue tonne –<br>kilometres)(millions)            | 1,469.83                                     | 1,394.74   | 5.4   | 3,035.98   | 2,738.70   | 10.9  |
| – Domestic routes  | 797.22                                       | 726.05   | 9.8   | 1,623.10   | 1,424.04   | 14.0  |
| – International routes                                   | 631.09                                       | 626.10   | 0.8   | 1,328.16   | 1,232.87   | 7.7   |
| – Regional routes  | 41.52  | 42.59  | -2.5  | 84.73  | 81.79  | 3.6   |
| RPK (revenue passenger –<br>kilometres)(millions)        | 13,508.62                                    | 11,769.95  | 14.8  | 26,615.55  | 22,283.93  | 19.4  |
| – Domestic routes  | 8,456.09                                     | 7,617.74   | 11.0  | 16,727.30  | 14,637.75  | 14.3  |
| – International routes                                   | 4,654.56                                     | 3,754.85   | 24.0  | 9,124.19   | 6,928.50   | 31.7  |
| – Regional routes  | 397.97                                       | 397.36   | 0.2   | 764.06   | 717.68   | 6.5   |
| RFTK (revenue freight tonne<br>– kilometres)(millions)   | 288.68                                       | 370.25   | -22.0   | 697.85   | 781.18   | -10.7   |
| – Domestic routes  | 56.11  | 61.28  | -8.4  | 149.80   | 135.25   | 10.8  |
| – International routes                                   | 225.65                                       | 300.68   | -25.0   | 530.06   | 626.80   | -15.4   |
| – Regional routes  | 6.91   | 8.29   | -16.6   | 17.99  | 19.12  | -5.9  |
| Number of passengers carried<br>(thousands)              | 8,130.35                                     | 7,343.97   | 10.7  | 16,055.92  | 14,030.66  | 14.4  |
| – Domestic routes  | 6,587.99                                     | 5,962.69   | 10.5  | 13,097.39  | 11,531.91  | 13.6  |
| – International routes                                   | 1,244.70                                     | 1,087.54   | 14.5  | 2,387.68   | 1,969.36   | 21.2  |
| – Regional routes  | 297.66                                       | 293.75   | 1.3   | 570.85   | 529.39   | 7.8   |
| Weight of freight carried<br>(million kg)                | 82.54  | 99.27  | -16.9   | 206.94   | 212.97   | -2.8  |
| – Domestic routes  | 41.80  | 45.27  | -7.7  | 110.40   | 98.62  | 11.9  |
| – International routes                                   | 35.14  | 47.41  | -25.9   | 81.91  | 98.98  | -17.3   |
| – Regional routes  | 5.60   | 6.59   | -15.1   | 14.64  | 15.37  | -4.8  |

|                           | <b>Estimated amount for February</b> | <b>Actual amount completed for the same period last year</b> | <b>Year-on-year increase (pts)</b> | <b>Total Estimated amount for the year</b> | <b>Total actual amount completed for the same period last year</b> | <b>Year-on-year increase (pts)</b> |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|--|------------------------------------|
| Load factors              |                                      |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
| Overall load factor (%)   | 64.8                                 | 69.7   | -5.0                               | 66.4                                       | 69.4   | -3.0                               |
| – Domestic routes         | 69.0                                 | 70.5   | -1.5                               | 70.1                                       | 70.3   | -0.2                               |
| – International routes    | 60.4                                 | 69.2   | -8.8                               | 62.7                                       | 68.9   | -6.2                               |
| – Regional routes         | 59.8                                 | 63.7   | -3.9                               | 61.7                                       | 62.3   | -0.6                               |
| Passenger load factor (%) |                                      |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
| – Domestic routes         | 80.8                                 | 81.6   | -0.8                               | 79.8                                       | 78.8   | 1.0                                |
| – International routes    | 80.7                                 | 80.9   | -0.2                               | 79.5                                       | 78.7   | 0.8                                |
| – Regional routes         | 81.1                                 | 83.2   | -2.0                               | 80.6                                       | 79.4   | 1.2                                |
| Freight load factor (%)   |                                      |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
| – Domestic routes         | 78.1                                 | 81.4   | -3.3                               | 77.5                                       | 76.2   | 1.3                                |
| – International routes    | 37.7                                 | 52.7   | -15.0                              | 44.5                                       | 55.7   | -11.2                              |
| – Regional routes         | 26.4                                 | 33.7   | -7.3                               | 35.5                                       | 38.3   | -2.8                               |
| – International routes    | 42.7                                 | 60.4   | -17.7                              | 48.2                                       | 62.4   | -14.2                              |
| – Regional routes         | 29.4                                 | 36.3   | -6.9                               | 37.1                                       | 41.1   | -4.0                               |

*Note:* Please refer to the 2014 annual report of the Company for the definitions of the indicators.

As at 29 February 2016, China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited (the “**Company**”) operated a fleet of 540 aircraft.

## II. BRIEF EXPLANATION

As a result of the earlier Spring Festival travel rush in 2016 compared with 2015, the operating data of the Group for February 2016 is incomparable to that for the same period last year.

For passenger transportation, from January to February 2016, the Company seized the favorable opportunities arising from the low international crude oil prices, moderately increased its flight capacity for passenger transportation and took the initiative to devise its marketing plan. ASK (passenger transportation capacity), RPK (turnover volume of passenger traffic) and passenger load factor increased by 18.0%, 19.4% and 1.0 pt year- on-year, respectively.

For freight transportation, as the overall freight transportation market was subdued from January to February 2016, the freight load capacity of the Company from January to February 2016 decreased by 2.8% year-on-year.

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**III.**

**RISK ALERT**

**The board of directors of the Company hereby reminds investors that the operating data set forth above was compiled in accordance with the Company's internal information which has not been audited and may be subject to adjustment. The operating data set forth above may differ from the data disclosed in any regular report for the relevant period. The Company reserves its rights to adjust the operating data based on audit findings and the actual situation. The monthly operating data disclosed by the Company only serves as preliminary and periodical data for investors' reference. Investors are hereby reminded of the investment risks which may result from inappropriate reliance upon or utilization of the information above.**

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By order of the Board

**CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORPORATION LIMITED**

**Wang Jian**

*Joint Company Secretary*

Shanghai, the People's Republic of China

15 March 2016

*As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Company include Liu Shaoyong (Chairman), Ma Xulun (Vice Chairman, President), Xu Zhao (Director), Gu Jiadan (Director), Li Yangmin (Director, Vice President), Tang Bing (Director, Vice President), Tian Liuwen (Director, Vice President), Ji Weidong (Independent non-executive Director), Li Ruoshan (Independent non-executive Director), Ma Weihua (Independent non-executive Director) and Shao Ruiqing (Independent non-executive Director).*