SUBMISSION FOR THE CONSULTATION REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

INVESTIGATION INTO PROPOSED CHRISTMAS EVE PART-DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY 2019

DATE 2nd September 2019

Island Adventures operates 2 hotels, 2 restaurants and 3 bottleshops on Magnetic Island. We currently have 54 employees, 86% of these are Australian employee within our community.

The introduction of a part-day public holiday on Christmas Eve will have the following impacts on my business:

It will effect our local community as we will more than likely that we will Close the business earlier, as Christmas Eve is a quiet day of trade for our business, as we are a holiday destination, and mainly stay open to cater to the few locals who venture out on Christmas Eve. We usually close at midnight, however if this comes into effect, I believe we would close at 8pm after dinner trade.

This will also have an impact on the hours of work of our employees who will lose wages due to our early closure. I do not feel that, if we did decide to stay open, we would have to reduce the number of staff working due to the increased wages.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

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Venue    The Marlin Bar & The Picnic Bay Hotel