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To: Licensed vessels
c/ Commercial Vessel Association NSW

Dear Licensee

SYDNEY CBD ENTERTAINMENT PRECINCT – PLAN OF MANAGEMENT

I am writing in relation to the Government's recently released Plan of Management for the Sydney CBD Entertainment Precinct.

The Plan outlines a series of measures that, when implemented, will complement the range of measures already undertaken by the NSW Government aimed at reducing alcohol-related violence. These measures are designed to address the diverse issues which are specific to the night-time entertainment precinct within the CBD and are focused on three key areas: safer venues; safer environments; and, safer transport.

Under the Plan, a number of new licence conditions will apply from 18 July 2014. Whilst these conditions will primarily apply to licensed venues located within the Precinct, additional controls are being introduced which may affect licensed vessels operating in the waterways surrounding the Precinct. Specifically, from 18 July 2014, licensed vessels will be prohibited from:

- dropping people into the Sydney CBD Entertainment Precinct between midnight and 7am
- picking up passengers from the Sydney CBD Entertainment precinct between midnight and 7am.

The Precinct contains several popular disembarkation points for patrons in close proximity to other licensed venues including at King Street Wharf, Walsh Bay, Campbells Cove, Circular Quay and the Man O' War Steps.

A factsheet on the reforms, including a map of the precinct, can be found at http://www.olgr.nsw.gov.au/liquor_SydneyCBD_precinct.asp.

The Commercial Vessel Association NSW has contacted the Office of Liquor, Gaming & Racing (OLGR) with some questions around the new Plan and its practical implementation. OLGR is liaising with the Association to discuss this and arrange an information briefing if required.

Should you require further information on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Brett See, Senior Compliance Officer on 9995 0808 or brett.see@olgr.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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