## IN THE MATTER OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO FAMILY VIOLENCE

## ATTACHMENT CC-19 TO STATEMENT OF CATHERINE MARY CARR

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#### LIQUOR CONTROL ADVISORY COUNCIL

# WORKING GROUP REVIEWING THE PACKAGED LIQUOR LICENCE CODE OF CONDUCT

#### TERMS OF REFERENCE

### **Purpose**

The aim of this working group is to review the performance and effectiveness of the code of conduct for packaged liquor licensees (the code) and advise the Council about the future content and operation of the code.

## Background

The code is determined by the Minister under section 11 of the *Liquor Control Reform Act 1998* (LCRA). The purpose of the code is to 'establish and require best practice by licensees in meeting the objects of the LCRA.'

Clause 12 of the code states that two years after the code commences, and every two years thereafter, an evaluation shall be conducted of the code's performance and effectiveness. The code was published in December 2011 meaning that a review is due.

The Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming & Liquor Regulation has asked the Council to review the code and to provide her with advice on whether the code is achieving its objectives or if (and how) it should be revised.

#### **Tasks**

In accordance with clause 12 of the code, the working group will:

- (i) examine the performance and effectiveness of the code in relation to:
  - a. benefits
  - b. cost of administration
  - c. visibility to the public
  - d. market practices
  - e. industry awareness.

The working group will also examine:

- (ii) how actively the code has been administered and enforced
- (iii) evidence as to whether the code has contributed to responsible practices by packaged liquor licensees and/or a reduction in harm resulting from the consumption of packaged liquor
- (iv) whether the code contributes to the responsible provision of alcohol, both on and off the licensed premises (that is, liquor that is ordered

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- online and home delivered), and minimises alcohol-related harm, particularly in relation to young people and family violence
- (v) the burden, if any, on packaged liquor licensees of complying with the code
- (vi) any other issues identified by the working group in the course of its review
- (vii) whether the code is an appropriate mechanism to regulate packaged liquor licensees or if another mechanism would be more effective, with regard to regulatory approaches in other jurisdictions.

## Reporting

The working group will report to the Council.

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