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I refer to the Agreement between the Transport Commission ("Commission") and SeaLink Tasmania Pty Ltd ("Contractor") for Services dated 28 June 2018 for the operation and maintenance of the Bruny Island Ferry Service ("Agreement") and the proposal dated 17 August 2018 to amend fares ("Proposal") in the first year of the Agreement.

I have considered the Proposal and, in accordance with clause 8.2(e) of the Agreement, provide consent to implement Option B and a fares schedule from 1 November 2018 that sees all Light fares being cheaper than current off-peak fares and maintains the commitment to this category of fares forming a quarter of all fares available.

I acknowledge that this amended fares structure has implications for SeaLink's business model and the financial forecasts presented through the procurement process and accepted in the Agreement. On this basis, I support an adjustment of the subsidy amount specified in Item 3 of Schedule 10 of the Agreement consistent with the quantum set out in the Proposal as it relates to Option B. Assuming the booking system is not fully introduced for nine months from the service commencement date, this will equate to an additional [REDACTED] s37 to the subsidy amount in the first year (based on your monthly cost estimate of [REDACTED] s37 with no change to the subsidy amount in the remaining years of the Agreement.

The Proposal also has implications for the timing and application of the incentive payment for pre-bookings which is covered by clause 13.2 of the Agreement. The effective date for this clause should be adjusted to align with the booking system being opened up to Bruny Island residents and visitors.

As I know you are, the Commission remains committed to the full introduction of the booking system and variable pricing structure at the appropriate time in the first half of 2019 when necessary infrastructure enhancements have been completed.

In order to give effect to the Proposal, a variation to the fares specified in Schedule 13 of the Agreement is required. Principally, the variation process ought to also address all consequential amendments resulting from the Proposal as approved, including Schedules 10 and 13 and clause 13.2, as well as any other amendments arising as a result of the revised implementation plan.

The Commission's Representative, Alison Turner, will make contact with you in the coming weeks to progress the variation to the Agreement.

I wish to commend you and the company for the commitment to engaging with the Bruny Island community and key stakeholders of the ferry service so extensively and in such a genuine manner in the period since SeaLink was announced as the new operator of the service. This has been a productive start to the Agreement and I look forward to this continuing and working together to ensure the needs of all ferry users are met.

If you have any questions regarding this advice you can contact the Commission's Representative by email to [alison.turner@stategrowth.tas.gov.au](mailto:alison.turner@stategrowth.tas.gov.au) or telephone on s.36

Yours sincerely

Gary Swain  
COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT

29 August 2018

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22 October 2018

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**Bruny Island Ferry Service Contract dated 28 June 2018 as amended (Contract)**

We refer to the Operator's request to use the Additional Back-up Vessel for certain purpose other than the provision of the Ferry Service.

Capitalised terms where used in this letter have the same meaning as given to them in the Contract.

Pursuant to clause 7.6 of the Contract, the Commission hereby provides its consent for the Operator to use the Additional Back-up Vessel for any lawful purpose other than the provision of the Ferry Service provided that the Operator ensures that any such use will not in any way adversely impact on:

1. the ability of the Operator to comply with its:
  - (a) obligations in relation to the Ferry Service (including, but not limited to, the Operator's obligations under clauses 5, 7.2(f)(iv)(A) and 7.3 of the Contract); and
  - (b) other obligations under the Project Documents; or
2. the reputation of the Commission in light of such use.

The consent provided in this letter is effective on and from the date of this letter and is revocable on 30 days' prior notice from the Commission.

Please sign and return a copy of this letter as evidence of your agreement to the terms of this consent.

Yours sincerely,

Gary Swain  
**Commissioner of Transport**

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### **Bruny Island Ferry Service Contract dated 28 June 2018 as amended (Contract)**

I refer to your letter dated 15 November 2018 and subsequent discussions between SeaLink Tasmania Pty Ltd (SeaLink) and the Department of State Growth.

In light of those discussions the Transport Commission and SeaLink have agreed the terms of Amendment Deed No. 3 and that document has now been executed by the parties.

In these circumstances I now attach a copy of your letter which I have countersigned at the bottom as contemplated in that letter.

I thank you for your continued cooperation.

Yours sincerely

Gary Swain  
**Commissioner for Transport**

26 November 2018

Attachments:





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15 November 2018

Transport Commission  
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## **Bruny Island Ferry Service Contract dated 28 June 2018 (as amended) ("Contract")**

SeaLink Tasmania Pty Ltd (Operator) seeks your approval to enter into the attached contract with Richardson Devine Marine (RDM) to build new vessels for the Bruny Island service in accordance with the Contract.

The proposed contract with RDM is for the building of the first new vessel and an option to build a second vessel on substantially the same terms, with the option being exercisable on or before 30 April 2019. Prior to exercising the option for building the second vessel under the RDM agreement or allowing the option to lapse, the Operator will advise the Commission in writing.

Capitalised terms where used in this letter have the same meaning as in the Contract.

### **Background**

The Operator has undertaken a selective tender process with five shipbuilding business with the expertise and capabilities to construct a vessel suitable for the Contract requirements.

After evaluation of the tender responses and subsequent discussions with RDM as the preferred tenderer, the Operator recommended awarding the vessel construction contract to RDM. The vessel proposed to be built pursuant to the proposed subcontract with RDM is a vessel that will be of a construction (hull and superstructure) of aluminium and a few other minor changes to that set out as a preliminary design in Schedule 11 Annexure A of the Contract. The changes to the preliminary design details in Attachment A of Schedule 11 are shown in the Appendix to this letter.

SeaLink is confident with the design in meeting the community need and service operation requirements in Bruny Island.

SeaLink has a strong background in operating an aluminium built marine fleet with ferries in South Australia (Kangaroo Island), Sydney Harbour, Gladstone (Curtis Island), North Queensland (Magnetic and Palm Island), Northern Territory (Gulf of Carpentaria, Darwin Harbour, Tiwi Islands) and in Western Australia (Roletest Island). Across this fleet there are ferries designed to operate on enclosed waters such as Bruny Island to as well as being able to operate in offshore environments. RDM has built aluminium vessels for SeaLink that currently operate in the Northern Territory (from Darwin) and on Sydney Harbour. One of our Kangaroo Island Car Ferries was constructed in Australia with aluminium and has operated successfully for over 15 years across one of Australia's most difficult open waterways; Backstairs Passage.

### **SeaLink Travel Group Incorporates:**

SeaLink NT and QLD • Captain Cook Cruises • SeaLink South Australia •  
Adelaide Sightseeing • Australian Holiday Centre Adelaide and Sydney • KI Adventure Tours  
Kangaroo Island Booking Centre • Kangaroo Island SeaLink •  
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The proposed aluminium builds when compared with steel vessels for Bruny Island will:

- provide improved presentation for customers over its operating life,
- provide increased cargo / freight capacity due to a lower build weight,
- have improved performance on repair and maintenance cost, and
- provide lower fuel consumption resulting in lower emission systems.

The ferry will have a propulsion system designed on the model of Mirambeena with fore and aft thrusters providing 360 degree manoeuvrability to ensure reliability and assisting in getting on and off fixed wharfs. It should also be noted that the vessels are being constructed locally by an established aluminium ship builder for better whole-of-life support.

As the Operator under the Contract we recommend the Commission approve entry by the Operator into the subcontract with RDM on the basis that the Operator considers that the vessel delivered pursuant to the subcontract will be a New Vessel that is fit for the purpose of providing the Ferry Service in accordance with the requirements of the Contract and otherwise meet the requirements in Schedule 11 of the Contract as amended to reflect the changes shown in the Appendix to this letter.

The proposed subcontractor, RDM has provided a commitment to Operator that it will sign a subcontractor direct deed substantially in the form of Schedule 4 and the Operator will procure a signed version of the deed prior to its entry into the Subcontract.

#### Approval

We request that you confirm:

- a) that the terms of the proposed Subcontract are terms acceptable to the Commission,
- b) that the entry into this subcontract will meet the requirements under clause 7.2(a)(i) of the Contract.

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact myself.

or

Please sign and return a copy of this letter to confirm your approval of the matters set out above.

Yours sincerely,

Approved and agreed by the Transport Commission ABN 95 420 520 014  
by its authorized representative:

## APPENDIX

## Changes to Attachment A to Schedule 11 of Contract

	Contract as at 28 June 2018	Variation to Attachment A as at 28 June 2018
Vessel Type	Passenger and vehicular ferry	-
Designer	Incat Crowther ( <a href="http://www.incatcrowther.com">www.incatcrowther.com</a> )	-
Hull form	Hard chine catamaran	-
Passenger Capacity	150	-
Vehicle Capacity	36 Cars @ 5.0m spaces (180m)	-
Measured Length	44.99m	-
Breadth	13.0m	13.4m
Engines:	2x300kW or similar to suit	4x300kW
Propulsion	Z-drive	-
Operating Speed:	10-12 knots	-
Electrical:	TBC	-
Survey:	NSCV 1D/1E	-
Construction (hull and superstructure):	Steel	Aluminium

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**Bruny Island Ferry Service Contract (the Contract) – Changes to Ferry Timetable**

I refer to correspondence from s.36 on behalf of SeaLink Tasmania Pty Ltd (SeaLink) dated 11 March 2019 and 4 April 2019, requesting an extension to the duration of the 2018/19 Peak Season, and an amendment to clause 1(a) of Schedule 12 (Ferry Timetable) of the Contract. The required amendments are to reflect changes in demand for the Ferry Service.

Firstly, in regard to SeaLink's request to extend the duration of Peak Season, currently defined in the Contract as the period from the start of October to the end of April, as Commissioner for Transport, I hereby provide my consent to extend that period until 31 May 2019. I understand that this extension is required for the current Peak Season only and therefore, there is no requirement at this stage to formally amend this defined term.

In regard to SeaLink's request to vary the Ferry Timetable to add a 6.30am Roberts Point sailing on an 'on demand' basis, and to amend the 7pm Roberts Point sailing from 'daily' to 'on demand', I advise that these amendments are approved for the remainder of the 2018/19 Peak Season.

I note that SeaLink has requested a permanent change to the Ferry Timetable to incorporate the above, and that these changes will be considered alongside future variations to be incorporated into the next Amendment Deed.

This approach will allow SeaLink to meet its operational requirements for the remainder of the 2018/19 Peak Season without the need to effect an Amendment Deed for two minor variations.

Please accept this letter as my consent for SeaLink to commence publicising the required changes in accordance with the requirements of subclause 5.2(g)(ii) of the Contract.

Subclauses 5.2(g)(ii) and 5.7(c)(vi)(A) of the Contract require SeaLink to provide at least four weeks prior written notice to the public of any amendments to the Ferry Timetable, or a shorter period (as may be reasonable in the circumstances) where the proposed change results in additional trips to those contemplated by the timetable. Given that the four week notice period would need to have commenced on or before 3 April 2019, I agree to a shorter period as may be necessary in these circumstances.

Should you have any questions in relation to any of the matters above, please do not hesitate to contact s.36 by email at s.36 or telephone on

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Yours sincerely

Gary Swain  
**Commissioner for Transport**

9 April 2019

Attachment:

- I. Attachment A – Peak Season Timetable

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**Attachment A – Peak Season Timetable**

The timetable below reflects the following changes (highlighted in red on timetable):

1. Back-up Vessel (Moongalba) to provide an additional ‘on demand’ Trip departing Roberts Point at 6.30am.
2. 7.00pm Trip from Roberts Point (Moongalba) changed from ‘daily’ service to ‘on demand’.

<b>Peak Season Timetable</b>				
<b>Depart Kettering Terminal (Primary Vessel)</b>	<b>Depart Kettering Terminal (Back-up Vessel)</b>		<b>Depart Roberts Point Terminal (Primary Vessel)</b>	<b>Depart Roberts Point Terminal (Back-up Vessel)</b>
		On demand		6.30am
6.30am		Mon - Sat	7.00am	
	7.00am	Mon – Sat		7.30am
		Sun (but only on demand)		
7.30am		Daily	8.00am	
	8.00am	Daily		8.30am
8.30am		Daily	9.00am	
	9.00am	Daily		9.30am
9.30am		Daily	10.00am	
	10.00am	Daily		10.30am
10.30am		Daily	11.00am	
	11.00am	Daily		11.30am
11.30am		Daily	12.00pm	
	12.00pm	On demand		12.30pm
1.00pm		Daily	1.30pm	
	1.30pm	On demand		2.00pm
2.00pm		Daily	2.30pm	
	2.30pm	On demand		3.00pm
3.00pm		Daily	3.30pm	
	3.30pm	Daily		4.00pm
4.00pm		Daily	4.30pm	
	4.30pm	Daily		5.00pm
5.00pm		Daily	5.30pm	
	5.30pm	Daily		6.00pm
6.00pm		Daily	6.30pm	
	6.30pm	Daily		
		On demand		7.00pm
7.00pm		Daily	7.15pm	

For the purposes of the above table, a reference to **on demand** means the applicable Trip will be published in the Ferry Timetable and will operate when there is a reasonable expectation of sufficient passenger demand to warrant the Ferry Service for that Trip. For the purposes of the Contract, where there is such a reasonable expectation each such journey will be deemed to be scheduled under the Ferry Timetable.

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### **Bruny Island Ferry Service Contract (the Contract) – Mirambeena slipping costs and second payment against the Bowen purchase**

I refer to correspondence from s.36 on behalf of SeaLink Tasmania Pty Ltd (SeaLink) dated 10 May 2019, which included a Slipping Plan and Work Scope document summarising works required and estimated costs of the 2019 *Mirambeena* slipping.

As a result of the Slipping Plan and Work Scope document and subsequent conversations between the Department of State Growth and s.36, I understand the estimated cost of the *Mirambeena* slipping to be s37 (ex GST), noting that the outcome of the hull plate thickness testing, serviceability tests on the life rafts, and advice from the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) on the intercom are still to be confirmed (but that the intercom is expected to be less than s37).

Under the terms of the Bruny Island Ferry Service Contract between the Transport Commission and SeaLink Tasmania Pty Ltd, the Operator's obligation for the maintenance and repair of this vessel is limited to the value of work covered by the Initial Primary Vessel (IPV) Cap, or s37 exclusive of GST in a 12 month period. However, where the Commission elects to fund any maintenance and repair above the IPV Cap, then the Operator must carry out the work up to the total that the Commission elects to provide.

I understand that has advised that SeaLink will fund s37 (ex GST) of the estimated slipping costs. I note that the s37 is made up of s37 (ex GST) from the current IPV Cap, which is the remaining balance for the operational year ended 22 September 2019, and s37 (ex GST) of next years' IPV Cap for the operational year ended 22 September 2020.

I hereby advise that the Commission will meet additional costs beyond the IPV Cap up to s37 (ex GST) as identified in the Slipping Plan. Any costs associated with works required as a result of the hull plate thickness testing and testing of the life rafts will need to be considered separately as they are not covered by this election.

When lodging a payment claim for this amount, I require SeaLink to submit copies of tax invoices from its suppliers for all of the works identified in the Slipping Plan to substantiate the works undertaken, including for those costs met by SeaLink under the IPV Cap.

I understand that SeaLink will provide the Commission with a copy of the Class Survey, the AMSA Survey, and an independent asset report as evidence of the condition of the *Mirambeena* post completion of slipping works.

In regard to the second payment of [REDACTED] s37 (ex GST) in support of SeaLink's purchase of the *MV Bowen* as a backup vessel, I understand that SeaLink has agreed to the Commission meeting that payment obligation in the 2018-19 financial year, ahead of the due date in September 2019.

I note that SeaLink has forwarded a correctly rendered invoice in relation to the *MV Bowen* to the Commission, and payment will be made accordingly as soon as possible.

Should you have any questions in relation to any of the matters above, please do not hesitate to contact [REDACTED] s.36, [REDACTED] s.36, [REDACTED] s.36  
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Yours sincerely

Gary Swain  
**Commissioner for Transport**

5 June 2019

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## **Bruny Island Ferry Service Contract (the Contract) – Changes to Ferry Timetable**

I refer to correspondence from s.36 on behalf of SeaLink Tasmania Pty Ltd (SeaLink) dated 16 August 2019 requesting an amendment to clause 1(a) of Schedule 12 (Ferry Timetable) of the Contract. The required amendments are to reflect changes in demand for the Ferry Service.

As Commissioner for Transport, I hereby approve SeaLink's request to vary the Ferry Timetable as per Attachment A. I advise that these amendments are approved for the 2019/20 Peak Season, which commences 1 October 2019 and concludes 30 April 2020. The Proposed Peak Season Timetable is valid from 27 September 2019 to 3 May 2020.

Please accept this letter as my consent for SeaLink to commence publicising the required changes in accordance with the requirements of subclause 5.2(g)(ii) of the Contract.

Subclauses 5.2(g)(ii) and 5.7(c)(vi)(A) of the Contract require SeaLink to provide at least four weeks prior written notice to the public of any amendments to the Ferry Timetable, or a shorter period (as may be reasonable in the circumstances) where the proposed change results in additional trips to those contemplated by the timetable. Given that the four week notice period would need to have commenced on 30 August 2019, I agree to a shorter period as is necessary in these circumstances.

In the event that SeaLink wishes to make these variations permanent, this will be considered alongside other variations to be incorporated into a future Amendment Deed. This approach will allow SeaLink to meet its operational requirements for the 2019-20 Peak Season without the need to effect an Amendment Deed for these variations.

Should you have any questions in relation to any of the matters above, please do not hesitate to contact [REDACTED]

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Yours sincerely

Shane Gregory  
**A/Commissioner for Transport**

26 September 2019

Attachment:

- I. Attachment A – Peak Season Timetable

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**Attachment A – Peak Season Timetable**

<b>Peak Season Timetable (27 September 2019 to 3 May 2019)</b>		
<b>Depart Kettering Terminal</b>	<b>Depart Roberts Point Terminal</b>	<b>Operates</b>
6:30 am	6:30 am	Mon – Sat
7:00 am	7:00 am	Mon - Sat
7:30 am	7:30 am	Daily
8:30 am	8:30 am	Daily
9:00 am	9:00 am	Daily
9:30 am	9:30 am	Daily
10:00 am	10:00 am	Daily
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6:00 pm	6:00 pm	Daily
6:30 pm	6:30 pm	Daily
7:00 pm	7:15 pm	Daily

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### **Bruny Island Ferry Service Contract dated 28 June 2018 as amended (Contract)**

I refer to the Operator's request to use the Back-up Vessel (*MV Moongalba*) for certain purposes other than the provision of the Ferry Service.

Pursuant to clause 7.6 of the Contract, the Commission hereby provides its consent for the Operator to use the Back-up Vessel for any lawful purpose other than the provision of the Ferry Service provided that the Operator ensures that any such use will not in any way adversely impact on:

1. the ability of the Operator to comply with its:
  - a. obligation in relation to the Ferry Service (including, but not limited to, the Operator's obligations under clauses 5, 7.2(f)(iv)(A) and 7.3 of the Contract); and
  - b. other obligations under the Project Documents; or
2. the reputation of the Commission in light of such use.

The consent provided in this letter is effective on and from the date of this letter and is revocable on 30 days' prior notice from the Commission.

Please sign and return a copy of this letter as evidence of your agreement to the terms of this consent.

#### Commission's Representative

Pursuant to the Contract, the Commission hereby notifies the Operator that, on and from the date of this letter, the Commissioner's Representative for the purposes of the Contract is the person occupying the position of Director Passenger Transport.

Babette Moate is the occupant of the position of Director Passenger Transport. Babette's contact details are as follows:

Telephone: (03) 6166 3332

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Capitalised terms where used in this letter have the same meaning as given to them in the Contract.

If you would like to discuss this letter you may contact Babette Moate, or alternatively please contact

[REDACTED] s.36

Yours sincerely

Gary Swain  
**Commissioner for Transport**

9 October 2019

The Operator agrees to the above terms  
of consent.

17.10.2019

## Department of State Growth

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I refer to correspondence between SeaLink Tasmania Pty Ltd (SeaLink) and the Transport Commission relating to the *Mirambeena* repairs, maintenance and slipping costs.

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To date, the Transport Commission has only committed to contributing \$820,600 (incl GST) towards the *Mirambeena* repair and slipping costs. This comprises of:

- the initial \$672,000 (ex GST) committed on 5 June 2019, plus
- the additional \$74,000 (ex GST) committed on 23 July 2019 for the works identified during the slipping which were not included on the slipping plan, plus
- GST totalling \$74,600.00.

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This amount represents the total of the Transport Commission's agreed commitment towards the *Mirambeena* slipping. Please submit an updated invoice for this amount and I will ensure payment is made as soon as possible.

Once this payment is made, the Transport Commission considers the matter settled. Any amount SeaLink wishes to claim over this amount will need to be submitted separately, along with details of variances from the slipping plan and justification for additional works, for the Transport Commission to consider.

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Should you have any questions in relation to any of the matters above, please do not hesitate to contact S.36

Yours sincerely

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**Commissioner for Transport**

22 January 2020

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I want to thank s.36 and yourself for meeting with the Department of State Growth on Wednesday 12 February 2020 for the first Bruny Island Ferry Contract quarterly meeting for 2020.

Following on from that meeting, I would like to confirm the agreement we made in relation to traffic management on Ferry Road.

1. Clause 5.2(e) of the Ferry Contract requires SeaLink to manage vehicle queuing within available queuing areas along Ferry Road at Kettering and Lennon Road at Roberts Point.
2. State Growth is responsible for managing traffic once it reaches the Channel Highway.
3. In January 2020, construction was completed for an overflow queuing lane situated near the corner of Ferry Road and the Channel Highway. The overflow queuing lane is designed to contain traffic within Ferry Road and reduce traffic spilling out onto the Highway.
4. In recognition of the fact that the overflow queuing lane holds vehicles that may otherwise have been expected to spill out onto the Channel Highway, State Growth will be responsible for engaging traffic management to manage the overflow queuing lane.
5. In line with established procedures, SeaLink will remain responsible for calling out Stornoway via the 1300 number on behalf of State Growth whenever traffic controllers are required to be on-site to manage queues at the overflow lane or along the Channel Highway.
6. SeaLink will remain responsible for managing vehicle queuing within the other available queuing areas along Ferry Road.

Please let me know if the above accords with your understanding.

If you have any questions or need clarification, please contact s.36

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Yours sincerely

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28 February 2020

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### **Bruny Island Ferry Service Contract dated 28 June 2018 as amended (Contract)**

#### Commencement of the first New Vessel on the Bruny Island Ferry Service

I refer to the letter from \_\_\_\_\_ to Babette Moate, Delegate of the Transport Commission, dated 17 February 2020 requesting the Commission's consent to commence carrying out the Ferry Service with the *MV Nairana*.

Pursuant to clause 7.2(g) of the Contract, the Commission hereby provides its consent for SeaLink to commence carrying out the Ferry Service with the *Nairana*. Please accept this letter as acknowledgement of the Commission's consent.

The consent provided in this letter is effective on and from 20 February 2020.



Please feel free to contact [REDACTED] s.36

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questions.

I trust this information is of assistance to you

Yours sincerely

Gary Swain  
**Commissioner for Transport**

20 March 2020

**Attachments**

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SeaLink Tasmania Pty Ltd  
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Thank you for your email to Gary Swain, Commissioner for Transport, of 27 March 2020 requesting to bring forward the commencement of the Off Peak Season Timetable for the Bruny Island ferry service. Mr Swain has requested that I respond to you on behalf of the Transport Commission.

As the Commissioner's Representative, I approve SeaLink's request to commence the 2020 Off Peak Season Timetable on 1 April 2020 instead of the start of May. The Off Peak Season Timetable will run until the end of September 2020.

SeaLink may now communicate these changes to the public in accordance with clause 5.2(g) of the Contract. I note the Contract requires SeaLink to provide at least four weeks prior written notice to the public of any amendment to the Ferry Timetable. I hereby advise that I agree to a shorter period as is necessary in the circumstances.

Given that it is unclear what impact of COVID-19 will have on ferry demand for the 2020 Easter period (10-14 April), I appreciate your comments regarding SeaLink being prepared to provide additional service during Easter at short notice, if required.

I understand that these are uncertain and difficult times. I would like to thank you for being proactive in bringing forward this request.

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[REDACTED] if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Babette Moate  
**Representative of the Commissioner for Transport**

27 March 2020

**Attachment:**

1. Off Peak Season Timetable (commencing 1 April 2020 and ending 30 September 2020)

**Attachment One:**

*Off Peak Season Timetable (commencing 1 April 2020 and ending 30 September 2020)*

<b>Departing Kettering Terminal</b>	<b>Departing Roberts Point Terminal</b>	<b>Operates</b>
6:30 am	7:00 am	Mon – Sat
7:30 am	8:30 am	Daily
9:00 am	9:30 am	Daily
10:00 am	10:30 am	Daily
11:00 am	11:30 am	Daily
12:00 pm	12:30 pm	Daily
1:00 pm	1:30 pm	Daily
2:30 pm	3:00 pm	Daily
3:30 pm	4:00 pm	Daily
4:30 pm	5:00 pm	Daily
5:30 pm	6:00 pm	Daily
7:00 pm	7:15 pm	Daily

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Thank you for your email to Gary Swain, Commissioner for Transport, of 9 April 2020 requesting to reduce the winter timetable for the Bruny Island Ferry Service due to the ongoing impacts of the COVID-19. Mr Swain has requested that I respond to you on behalf of the Transport Commission.

As the Commissioner's Representative, I approve SeaLink's request to vary the Ferry Timetable as per Attachment A. The approved timetable provides for eight return services per day.

The timetable has been approved to commence on Monday 27 April 2020.

SeaLink may now communicate these changes to the public in accordance with clause 5.2(g) of the Contract. I note that the Contract requires SeaLink to provide at least four weeks prior written notice to the public of any amendments to the Ferry Timetable. I hereby advise that I agree to the shorter notice period of nine days as I consider necessary in the circumstances.

Please contact [REDACTED]

s.36

questions.

Yours sincerely

Babette Moate  
**Representative for the Commissioner for Transport**

17 April 2020

Attachment:

1. Attachment A – Off Peak Season Timetable (as amended)

**Attachment A – Off Peak Season Timetable (as amended)**

<b>Departing Kettering Terminal</b>	<b>Departing Roberts Point Terminal</b>	<b>Operates</b>
6:30 am	7:00 am	Monday to Friday
7:30 am	8.30 am	Daily
9:00 am	9.30 am	Daily
10.00 am	10.30 am	Daily
11.00 am	11.30 am	Saturday and Sunday
3:30 pm	4.00 pm	Daily
4.30 pm	5.00 pm	Daily
5:30 pm	6:00 pm	Daily
6:45 pm	7.00 pm	Daily

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Thank you for your recent communications with the Transport Commission regarding operating additional Kettering return services on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 11:00 am under the reduced winter timetable.

As the Commissioner's Representative, I approve SeaLink's request to vary the Ferry Timetable as per Attachment A. This timetable has been approved to commence on Monday 27 April 2020.

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The Commission is able to accommodate this amount. If this is not likely to be sufficient from SeaLink's perspective, we will require SeaLink's early advice and information to support a different level of additional subsidy support.

SeaLink may now communicate these changes to the public in accordance with clause 5.2(g) of the Contract. I note that the Contract requires SeaLink to provide at least four weeks prior written notice to the public of any amendments to the Ferry Timetable. I hereby advise that I agree to the shorter notice as I consider necessary in the circumstances.

I appreciate SeaLink's ongoing support and open communication in this matter.

Please contact s.36

Yours sincerely

Babette Moate  
**Representative for the Commissioner for Transport**

24 April 2020

Attachment:

- I. Attachment A – Off Peak Season Timetable (as amended)

**Attachment A – Off Peak Season Timetable (as amended)**

<b>Departing Kettering Terminal</b>	<b>Departing Roberts Point Terminal</b>	<b>Operates</b>
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7:30 am	8.30 am	Daily
9:00 am	9.30 am	Daily
10.00 am	10.30 am	Daily
11.00 am	11.30 am	Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat and Sun only
3:30 pm	4.00 pm	Daily
4.30 pm	5.00 pm	Daily
5:30 pm	6:00 pm	Daily
6:45 pm	7.00 pm	Daily

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Earlier today s.36 about the possibility of running an additional 2:30 pm Kettering service and an additional 3:30 pm Roberts Point service on weekdays only. It was discussed that the addition of these weekday return services would likely alleviate the emerging issue of vehicles being left behind on the 4:00 pm and 4:30 pm services.

As the Commission's Representative, I approve SeaLink's request to vary the Ferry Timetable as per Attachment A. This timetable has been approved to commence on Monday 4 May 2020.

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SeaLink may now communicate these changes to the public in accordance with clause 5.2(g) of the Contract. I note that the Contract requires SeaLink to provide at least four weeks prior written notice to the public of any amendments to the Ferry Timetable. I hereby advise that I agree to the shorter notice as I consider necessary in the circumstances.

Please contact s.36

questions.

Yours sincerely

Babette Moate  
**Representative for the Commissioner for Transport**

1 May 2020

Attachment:

- I. Attachment A – Off Peak Season Timetable (as amended)

**Attachment A – Off Peak Season Timetable (as amended)**

<b>Departing Kettering Terminal</b>	<b>Departing Roberts Point Terminal</b>	<b>Operates</b>
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Thank you for the emails from yourself and [REDACTED] to the Transport Commission of 2 and 3 June 2020 regarding the Bruny Island ferry service returning to its Off Peak Season Timetable.

As the Commission's Representative, I approve SeaLink's request to commence operating to the attached Off Peak Season Timetable, effective Friday 5 June 2020.

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I am aware that SeaLink has begun to communicate these changes to the public in accordance with clause 5.2(g) of the Contract. I note that the Contract requires SeaLink to provide at least four weeks prior written notice to the public of any amendments to the Ferry Timetable. I hereby advise that I agree to a shorter notice period as I consider necessary in the circumstances.

Please contact [REDACTED] s.36 [REDACTED] if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Babette Moate  
**Representative for the Commissioner for Transport**

4 June 2020

Attachment:

- I. Attachment A – Off Peak Season Timetable (as amended)

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