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Ms Dawn Wright  
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Coroner's Court of Western Australia  
Level 10, Central Law Courts  
501 Hay Street  
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Ms Wright

### **INQUEST INTO THE DEATHS OF NIGEL PARADINE KITCHEN AND ANDREW TREVOR HINDS**

Thank you for your correspondence dated 29 December 2017 regarding the Inquest into the deaths of Messrs Nigel Paradine Kitchen and Andrew Trevor Hinds.

The Department of Transport (DoT) is currently undertaking a comprehensive review of the safety equipment requirements for recreational vessels. The review involves extensive community and stakeholder consultation and includes an assessment of the latest innovations in respect to vessel safety equipment.

The recommendations contained within the Deputy State Coroner's finding, along with other Coroner's findings from recreational vessel incidents, will be carefully considered as part of the review process.

It is anticipated that DoT will release a Position Paper in late 2018 for public comment on a range of proposed changes. Following consideration of the feedback received, the Department will then present a suite of recommendations to me. Any amendments to the relevant legislation will then be progressed through the normal processes and the changes implemented.

Should you require any further information regarding the review, please contact Mr Michael Coe, Manager Marine Safety Policy at DoT on 9435 7789 or by email to [michael.coe@transport.wa.gov.au](mailto:michael.coe@transport.wa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

**HON RITA SAFFIOTTI MLA**  
**MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT**

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