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Ms Anna Pejnovic Coroners Registrar 65 Kavanagh Street Southbank VIC 3006

By email: cpuresponses@coronerscourt.vic.gov.au

Dear Ms Pejnovic,

Thank you for providing a copy of Coroner Magistrate Jamieson's finding without inquest into the death of Choon Jie Chai (COR 2019 002773) to Emergency Management Victoria (EMV), received on 1 June 2022. I note that a written response to the recommendations is required within three months of the date of receipt of your correspondence.

Please note EMV's response to the Coroner's four recommendations to EMV is that these recommendations are **under consideration**.

The process for consideration of these recommendations is to identify relevant stakeholders and to commence a program of consultation to ensure all pertinent information is considered in making a decision on the Coroner's findings.

The expected timeframe for decisions on implementation against the recommended interventions in this case is expected to be late 2023. This will ensure adequate consultation with relevant stakeholders and will also allow the Inspector-General for Emergency Management (IGEM) to complete the review of Water Safety Arrangements that is currently underway. The IGEM review is due to be presented to Government in July 2023, and findings from this review may be relevant to decisions regarding the Coroner's recommendations.

Should you require further information, please contact Ms Jenni Rigby, Executive Director Emergency Management Strategy at EMV by email at jenni.rigby@emv.vic.gov.au or by mobile 0477 309 294.

Yours sincerely

Kate Fitzgerald

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