We are hereby applying for an extension of the Entertainment Hours of AREC's existing Entertainment DA for Zenith Gathering.

Zenith Gathering is a cultural, arts, music and lifestyle camping event. The event combines live music and arts performances with advanced sound technology, visual displays and art installations from a carefully curated list of international and local artists.

In addition Zenith Gathering showcases a diverse selection of health and wellbeing orientated workshops, educational speakers, interactive activities and various forms of sideshow entertainment are offered.

Patrons attending the event will camp on site for the duration of the event with a range of camping accommodation options available. Since arts and lifestyle is a large focus of the event, the main music stages will have breaks of several hours at a time for patrons to relax and connect with the other activities offered.

Zenith Gathering is an all ages family friendly event. There will be no alcohol for sale at the event and strict entry conditions.

AREC will be our Back-up Site for our April Gathering.

That means, we will use the AREC venue should there be wet weather or fire risk issues with our Shoalhaven Council venue for the dates of 28th - 1st May 2023. And we will be considering moving Zenith Gathering to AREC for the Nov 24th- 26th 2023 Gathering, and future events twice a year, should we be able to get approval for extended entertainment hours for the 3 days of the Gathering.

We require the extended entertainment hours to be able to maintain our existing programming for the event as well as the cultural aspect of this kind of community gathering. Our patrons expect to be able to participate and dance to trance music for extended hours to enjoy their event experience.

We employ experienced sound engineers monitoring all the music performances as well as the noise levels.

We have a Sound Management Plan in place that we have successfully implemented at past events.

We have a community complaints procedure we adhere to at all our events.

Please find as part of this submission the requested Acoustics Report for this Modification of Consent to the AREC Entertainment DA as well as the Letter of Consent agreeing to this application.