

## Submission on Additional information on the Draft SER

### Equatorial Launch Australia Pty Ltd – Phase 2 Expansion of the Arnhem Space Centre

This submission is made under regulation 126 of the Environment Protection Regulations 2020

**Government authority:** Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet

Section of SER	Theme or issue	Comment
Additional Information to the SER – Main Report, p. 21-23, Appendix C – Mission Optimisation Process; Attachment D, Stakeholder Engagement Plan, Attachment 1, Safety and Retrieval Committee Charter.	Theme: People Factor: Community and Economy	<p>A more structured and transparent risk assessment would support the proponent to clearly demonstrate the process used to identify, mitigate and assess the risk of proposed activities on community and economy factors, particularly those relating to landing/retrieval sites. It would also support communication of the residual risks to affected receptors and all stakeholders.</p> <p><i>Recommendation:</i></p> <p><i>The proponent could confirm and present the risk assessment relating to community and economy factors using standard risk assessment guidelines (e.g. ISO 31000:2018) and the NTEPA Guidelines for the Preparation of an Economic and Social Impact Assessment. The risk assessment proposed for the Mission Optimisation Process (Attachment C) should be completed and presented using these guidelines.</i></p> <p><i>The NT EPA’s guidance on Stakeholder Engagement and Consultation Sec 4.4 should be followed in presenting environmental impact assessment materials to stakeholders</i></p> <p><i>The Mission Optimisation Process would benefit from explaining the Safety and Retrieval Committee’s role throughout the process and clarifying links between the process and the Stakeholder Engagement Plan to guide engagement activities, especially downrange engagement activities.</i></p>