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## Prosecution in relation to the 2016 Dreamworld tragedy

Ardent Leisure Group Limited (ASX:ALG)(Ardent) acknowledges that the Queensland Work Health and Safety Prosecutor has today filed in the Brisbane Magistrates Court three (3) charges against Ardent's subsidiary company, Ardent Leisure Limited (the operator of Dreamworld), arising from the Thunder River Rapids Ride tragedy in 2016.

First and foremost, we again express our deepest sympathies to the families and friends of Roozbeh Araghi, Luke Dorsett, Kate Goodchild and Cindy Low for their loss and ongoing suffering and say sorry to all of the people impacted by this tragedy.

There has been considerable change at Dreamworld over the last few years as was acknowledged by the Coroner in his Report. Dreamworld has taken substantive and proactive steps to improve safety across the entire park and continues to enhance existing systems and practices, as well as adopt new ones, as we develop and implement our safety case in accordance with the Queensland Government's new major amusement park safety regulations.

The new leadership team is committed to continuing to improve and enhance safety systems and practices with the aim of becoming a global industry leader in theme park safety and operations.

All three charges are Category 2 charges pursuant to section 32 of the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011* (*Qld*) and each charge carries a maximum penalty of \$1.5 million.

Ardent will update the market when the matter has been finally determined.

Authorised by the Board of Ardent Leisure Group Limited

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