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News Release

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Pickwick is proud to announce the launch of Pickwick 1A Facilities Services & Recruitment Pty Ltd, ABN 87 621 907 248 and trading as Pickwick 1A Services. This newly formed facility services and labour hire company will provide a range of commercial cleaning and related services to corporate business, all levels of government, and community and social enterprises.

Pickwick 1A Services is one of our responses to creating reconciliation with Indigenous people along with the Commonwealth Government's Indigenous Procurement Policy (IPP). This policy aims to leverage the Commonwealth's annual multi-billion procurement spend to drive demand for Indigenous goods and services, stimulate Indigenous economic development, and grow the Indigenous business sector. In addition, Pickwick 1A Services will work with corporate Australia who as part of their own reconciliation efforts with First Australians understand the importance for the country and nationhood in engaging with Indigenous businesses on equal terms.

Initially Pickwick 1A Services will operate alongside and with the support of Pickwick Group Pty Ltd and utilise and build upon Pickwick Group's knowledge, expertise and systems. However, its whole purpose is to be a standalone Indigenous controlled and operated enterprise. The Company is majority Indigenous owned (51%) by Syl Johns, a descendant of the *Larrakia* nation near Darwin and Carol Malone, a descendant from the *Gubbi Gubbi* people of the Wide Bay-Burnett area. The **1A** stands for both First Australians and the highest of standards. The Company aims to contribute to reconciliation through the employment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in operational, administrative, and management roles.

Kenneth Holder
Chief Executive Officer of

