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## Reference regarding Ambleside Tours conducted by Woody and Carol Marriott

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To whom it may concern,

I have known Woody and Carol Marriott in my capacity as Ministry Team leader at Ringwood church of Christ over the last 21 years. During that time I have become very familiar with the activities of Ambleside Tours. This church has been pleased to have supported this worthy venture through encouraging volunteers over many years and in promoting many of the activities Ambleside have engaged in.

Ambleside Tours runs as a not for profit organization specifically designed to cater for people with a range of disabilities. Through the careful selection of activities, venues, length of tours and the organization of support carers, Ambleside have catered for many profoundly disabled people.

Facilitated outings and tours have been short term like a trip to the 'footy', day -trips , weekend get-aways and interstate or regional tours of several days.

The clientele are of mixed 'abilities' and Ambleside Tours have worked very hard to ensure that as far as possible people with quite significant disabilities are still able to participate. I have met many people over the years that have booked regularly with Ambleside Tours and have found their level of care to be exceptional. For many the opportunities afforded by Ambleside are the only holidays out of 'care accommodation' that they really have.

This is an extraordinary niche travel company that despite its size has a huge impact on their clients and continue to both attract and maintain the faithful commitment of so many volunteers who see the implicit value of this enterprise.

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Yours faithfully:

