



## Petition

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Presented on:	14 February 2005
Presented by:	Dr Burns
Referred To:	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport
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Response presented:	13 June 2006

### Petition

This is a petition for a late bus on Thursday nights starting next season, allowing market workers, tourists and local people to have more time to spend at Mindil Beach Thursday Night Markets.

### Response

The urban bus system servicing the Mindil Beach Thursday Night Markets (Mindil) was reviewed and improved in April 2005.

Three buses currently service Mindil throughout the evening on Thursdays. The last bus to Darwin Interchange leaves Mindil at 9.20pm, the last bus to Casuarina Interchange leaves at 9.25pm as does the last bus to the Palmerston Interchange. The entire bus system then finishes at approximately 10pm.

Further expansion of the Bus Service to Mindil Markets would necessitate a major expansion of the feeder services from the interchange so that passengers are not left stranded at the interchange.

The number of passengers that are likely to utilise these additional services does not justify the additional cost of providing them.