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**From:** on behalf of Regulation Review - External Queries (SM)  
**Subject:** FW: Winks Independent Affiliate Members

-----Original Message-----

From: WorkSafeBC [mailto:prevweb@worksafebc.com]  
Sent: Friday, July 13, 2007 10:34 AM  
To: dene.hargreaves  
Subject: Winks Independent Affiliate Members

Your submission has been received.

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Submission ID: P09.SC6.D82.XLM

Part 4: General Conditions, relating to working alone or in isolation

1. Name: Dene Hargreaves

- (a) Feedback is provided: on behalf of  
Organization: Winks Independent Affiliate Members Job Title: (239 stores)
- (b) Feedback is provided: from an employer's perspective

2. E-mail:

3. Feedback:

Section #:4.22.1: GENERAL CONDITIONS: WORKING ALONE OR IN ISOLATION

Comments:"...when the worker is assigned to work late night hours, the employer must do either or both of: ensure that the worker is physically separated from the public by a locked door or barrier that prevents physical contact with or access to the worker; and or assign one or more workers to work with the worker during that worker's assignment."

4. Please indicate your level of support of the proposed amendments:generally disagree

5. If you agree or disagree with the proposed amendments, please provide reason(s):

Section #:

Comments: It is proven that wether you have one person or 2 makes no difference to the odds of occuerence of robbery &/or assault. Also, the financial hardship to the retailer in cost to employ additional staff or impliment physical barrier will impede most retailers from making any profit to stay open at night. The alternative of closing durring these hours will also incur financial hardship.

These are the feeling of our entire chain of 239 indepenent C-Store retailers.