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Good morning,

I apologise for the late submission, but do hope that you will take my comments/opinions into consideration when you make a decision on 7 day trade for large corporations.

As a small business owner in the main street of Charters Towers, we operate Foodworks Fresh Supermarket.

We are the only locally owned supermarket in our town, and are open 6.00am to 9.00pm, 7 days a week for our shoppers convenience.

We employ local full time staff, as well as high school age casual juniors.

Woolworths is located in our shopping centre (approx. 10- 12 stores) also in the main street.

Currently Woolworths, and the centre, is closed on Sundays and public holidays.

Sunday is definitely our busiest day of the week, as we do not have to compete with such a large corporation who has a much better buying price for their stock, and can offer a much larger range of products.

Allowing Woolworths to trade on Sundays and public holidays, would have a significant effect on our trade, income, and employment requirements, as well as our ability to keep supporting our local sporting groups and clubs with the numerous donations made throughout the year.

As part of our local community, we enjoy the “country” aspect of living in a rural town, without the stress of big city living. Changing the trading hours for the “giant” companies would put an end to our way of life in a small country town.

Thankyou for taking the time in reading this email.

Regards  
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