Subject: Cline's Diving Industry 4th Quarter 2016 Survey Results for William Cline

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43.5% of Dive
Retailers Forecast
Sales for the 1st
Quarter of 2017 will be
above the same period
in 2016.

Equally, 43.5% of Dive Resorts and Sellers of Dive Travel are optimistic about the 1st Quarter of 2017.

Cline Group, Creators

- » Scuba Diving Magazine
- » The Cline Diving Industry Studies
- » The Scuba Tour (now DEMA's GoDiveNow Pool)

Partial Client List:

- » The Bahamas Tourism Board
- » Bonaire's Tourism Board
- » Barbados's Tourism Board
- » The Dutch Caribbean Diving Alliance
- » The Scuba Tour
- » Grenada's Tourist Board
- » Sand Dollar Resort,

Cline Diving Industry Survey Released

Fourth Quarter 2016 Dive Business Survey

Cline's Quarterly Dive Industry Survey is in, a total of 145 dive business responded to the survey and indicated the following results:

- 1. Dive businesses saw, on average, a 12.9% increase in their gross revenues for the 4th Quarter of 2016 versus the same period in 2015.
- 2. New certifications were up 8.3% for Retailers and Independent Instructors.
- 3. Retailers posted a 10.2% increase in their gross revenues for the quarter.
- 4. Dive Travel Sales were up 10.9% for Retailers
- 5. Dive Equipment sales were also up, posting a 9.0% increase for Retailers
- 6. 87.0% of the retailer respondents were from the USA.
- 7. Dive travel companies posted a combined 8.4% increase in their gross revenues.
- 8. 91.3% of all respondents were the facility owner or manager.
- 9. Companies from the USA and Canada, as a whole, posted 13.8% increase in their Gross Revenues in the 4th quarter. This same group also was also optimistic for their 1st quarter 2017 revenues being higher than 2016.
- 10. All other Companies from everywhere else in the world, other than USA and Canada, posted a 9.8% increase in their 4th quarter gross sales. Similarly, this group was optimistic about their 1st quarter 2017 revenues being higher than 2016.

The following Businesses Responded to this survey:

Bonaire

- » Stuart Cove's Dive Bahamas
- » SEABOB/Cayago USA

Business Classification	Total Respondents	% of Whole
Dive Retailers	69	47.6%
Independent Dive Instructors	24	16.6%
Dive Resort or Resort-Based Dive	23	15.8%
Operators, Wholesaler &		
Liveaboards		
Dive Related Manufacturers	10	6.9%
Other Industry Professionals	12	8.2%
Dive Related Media	3	2.1%
Dive Training Agency	<u>4</u>	2.8%
Total Respondents	145	100%

» On the whole, 42.1% of all the businesses responded that they expect their businesses to gross more in the 4th quarter of this year vs the same period last year.

Dear %First% %Last%,

I hope you had a successful DEMA show last week in Las Vegas. It was great to see many of my you at the show and we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Successful New Year!

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Best Regards, William Cline President Cline Group Advertising, Est. 1990.

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