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News update - 5th Planet Games, Skybound Games, and Osmotic Studios' *Closer the Distance* attracts outstanding coverage and media reviews on release.

*In total, 18 pieces of coverage have been secured so far on the *Closer the Distance* launch, and sentiment is hugely positive with review scores averaging a score of 88 on Metacritic.*

Media praise the game's excellent writing, stylized environments, Sims-like gameplay and emotionally compelling exploration of grief

COPENHAGEN Aug 7th, 2024 - 5th Planet Games A/S (OAX: 5PG) confirms that following its release on Friday 2nd August, *Closer The Distance* has released to an exceptionally positive reaction from players and media. See below for highlights of some of the coverage;

- **Xbox Wire (104 million UVM)** - [Closer the Distance: The Complex Characters of This Slice-of-Life Sim](#)
- **IGN (103 million UVM)** - [Closer The Distance - Official Launch Trailer](#)
- **GamesRadar (37,6 million UVM)** - [Closer the Distance is an emotional, heartfelt Sims-like adventure about loss and grief that moved me to tears several times](#)
 - "One of my favorite new games of the year"
 - "A moving narrative experience with choices that matter"
- **TheGamer (27,1 million UVM)** - [Closer The Distance Review - Grief Management Simulator](#)
 - Score 4.5/5 - "a deeply moving and compelling story"
- **FandomWire (14,6 million UVM)** - [Closer the Distance Review – Deep, Enriching, and Incredibly Emotional \(PS5\)](#)
 - Score 8/10 - "certainly one to consider for Best Indie of the Year."
- **VG24/7 (11 million UVM)** - [Closer the Distance review: A bittersweet tale of a town in mourning that's as sincere as it is refreshing](#)
 - Score 5/5 - "as sincere as it is refreshing"
- **Try Hard Guides (5.2 million UVM)** - [Closer The Distance Review – Closure](#)
 - Score 9/10 - "Closer The Distance is a game that will make you feel."

Closer the Distance is on Steam, PlayStation 5, and Xbox Series X|S. For more information, visit www.ClosertheDistance.com.

About Osmotic Studios

Osmotic Studios is an award-winning independent game development company based in Hamburg, Germany. Always striving to test out new ways to convey a convincing narrative, the company focuses on story-centric games with socially relevant and meaningful topics at their hearts. Best-known is Osmotic Studios' debut game [Orwell](#), released in 2016, putting players in the shoes of a government agent in the eponymous surveillance program, tasked with spying on suspect persons by going through their online documents and files and listening in on their chats and phone calls. *Orwell* received widespread critical acclaim and recognition from The Game Awards, the Independent Games Festival, and SXSW Gaming.