

Responses to further questions – Question 3

Recyclers SA



Responses to questions

This document contains responses to the third question put by the ACCC in its email dated 7 June 2018.

These responses supplement the Application, Supplementary Submissions and Further Supplementary Submissions, the responses to the questions from the ACCC dated 17 May 2018 and should be read in conjunction with those documents.

Capitalised terms not defined in this document bear the same meaning as in the Application.

3. Glass Recycling

- (a) Recyclers SA's response does note that collection depots deliver their glass to the beneficiation plant (i.e. Visy) who weighs it and provides a weighbridge docket to Marine Stores, and Marine Stores then applies the audit results for that depot to the weight and pays the depot accordingly. Recycler SA's response also notes that there are four possible purchasers of glass cullet from collection depots, who are ultimately responsible for recycling the glass.
 - (i) What, if any, is the relationship between Marine Stores and Flaglass, and Marine Stores and other glass contractors? Does Marine Stores actually handle glass at any point?

There is no relationship between glass purchasers and Marine Stores.

Marine Stores does not handle glass but has the right to inspect and receive weighbridge information from the Visy beneficiation plant for the purpose of calculating the handling fee pursuant to its contract with each collection depot.

- (ii) Please describe the process for a collection depot to sell its glass to a glass contractor, including:
 - (A) how and where it is delivered:

The cullet is delivered to the Visy beneficiation plant by the depot using its own or contractor transport where it is weighed.

(B) from whom the collection depot receives payment, and when:

The depot receives payment from the glass purchaser e.g. Flaglass based on the agreed price per tonne of cullet.

(C) how payment is calculated.

Payment is calculated on an agreed price per tonne. Some of the depots have longer term agreements with the glass purchasers which fix a price per tonne for a specified term.

(iii) Approximately how many of Recyclers SA's members contract with Flaglass?

RSA does not currently have this knowledge.