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Mr Tom Whitby
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Dear Mr Whitby

Proposed authorisation for Paintback Ltd – APMF support

The APMF welcomes the opportunity to make this submission on the Commission's draft determination in respect of Paintback Ltd's application for authorisation - AA1000536.

The APMF fully supports the Commission's decision to issue a 10-year authorisation for the operation of the PAINTBACK® scheme.

The APMF concurs with the findings of the Commission as set out in its Draft Determination of 16 April 2021 regarding the public benefits derived from the scheme. PAINTBACK® provides a cost-effective solution for household and trade painters to dispose of unwanted paint and packaging. PAINTBACK® has made an important contribution to the reduction of waste and delivered major environmental benefits during its initial period of operation. The new authorisation for a period of 10-years will provide a base for the growth of the scheme and better environmental outcomes.

Yours sincerely



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Executive Officer