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Dear Tom,

Thankyou for your advice with respect to this application for exemption.

This submission is made by Glamorgan Spring Bay Council, one of the councils listed as a Participating Council.

Glamorgan Spring Bay Council municipal area is lightly populated at some 4500 +/- residents spread over a distance of nominally 100 kilometres north south and 30 kilometres east west.

There are a number of townships within the area and each is situated a distance from the others. Geographically we are distant, in terms of travelling time from major city centres. It is costly to provide some services to the area due to the geographic spread and light population and associated business within the area.

The challenges faced by Australia broadly, with respect to the dearth of industry involved in a commercially viable way in recycling, make it impossible for Glamorgan Spring Bay to provide the economic environment for a viable recycling contract. Indeed, Tasmania as a whole provides a poor environment for development of this industry.

Waste streams from our council area that may have a market is not collected and goes to landfill contributing to poor environmental outcomes.

We consider the matter one of insufficient critical mass of collectable recyclable material for a business model to be established for individual councils to access service providers.

The proposal for this tender and service model has come out of necessity to provide sufficient mass of recyclables to provide the lowest cost model for a market to be developed which we anticipate will still require a level of subsidisation to survive.

Regards,

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