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Date: 7 April 2025

Dear ACCC,

**RE: Soft Plastics Stewardship Australia Limited (SPSA) application for  
authorisation AA1000695**

Goondiwindi is located in the Darling Downs region of Queensland, along the state's border with New South Wales. The region is the centre of a vast agricultural and pastoral area, producing cotton, grain, wool, beef, lamb and pork.

Goondiwindi Regional Council are actively seeking to improve recycling rates and reduce illegal dumping within the region.

Goondiwindi Regional Council have been selected as part of the upcoming soft plastic collection pilots in Queensland. Recent bin audits undertaken in Goondiwindi identified a significant portion of our general waste and recycling contained soft plastics which we currently do not have the ability to recycle.

ACCC interim authorisation will enable Goondiwindi Regional Council to continue with the planned pilot and, subject to ACCC authorisation, potentially implement a council wide collection service to reduce preventable landfill in the long-term.

We thank the SPSA for the opportunity and look forward to progressing with the soft plastics pilot, reducing waste and improving recycling outcomes across the Goondiwindi Regional Council area.

Should you require any further information regarding our council pilots please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully



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