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**RE: SOFT PLASTICS STEWARDSHIP AUSTRALIA
APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION AA1000695**

To whom it may concern,

McCormick Foods Australia supports Soft Plastic Stewardship Australia's (SPSA) application for authorisation under the Competition and Consumer act 2010.

McCormick Foods is a leading global food and flavour manufacturer employing over 430 people in Australia. Our brands include McCormick Herbs & Spices, Gourmet Garden, Aeroplane Jelly, Keen's Curry, Frank's and Cholula Hot Sauce. We are also a significant supplier to the quick serve restaurant, foodservice and industrial channels.

As a leading global food manufacturer we are committed to sustainable practices through our Purpose Led Performance strategies. This includes our goal to make 100% of our packaging reusable, recyclable or repurposed. We strongly support the efforts of SPSA to accelerate circularity of soft plastics in Australia. We were a foundation supporter of the National Plastics Recycling Scheme (NPRS) and SPSA.

We believe the scheme proposed by SPSA will enhance soft plastics recycling in Australia, facilitate stakeholder collaboration and support the attainment of national packaging targets.

Yours faithfully,

Paris Golden
Managing Director
McCormick Foods Australia