Subject: Comments on RIS RE: container deposit legislation

TO whom it may concern,

I am concerned that the RIS about national container deposit legislation overlooks and/or understates some important points.

CDL that has been in operation for over 30 years in South Australia (recycling more than 80% of recyclable containers) is testament to the success of such a system. New data shows that the national recycling rate is only 40% (not 48% as stated in the RIS).

CDL is a proven system that works both financially and environmentally - I fear that the "soft" options are being pushed by the RIS, such as more bins and advertising. In particular, the financial benefits of CDL have been ignored in the RIS.

And environmentally, around 4 billion containers becoming litter or landfill per year has to stop - CDS can do this quickly, so why not implement it??

Thank you,

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