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Dear Lyndsay,

The Foodservice Packaging Association represents the UK manufacturers, distributors and users of single use packaging used to serve food and drink away from the home. With 190 company members the FPA works closely with foodservice, quick service restaurants and catering operators to develop foodservice packaging that continues to achieve improved levels of safety, product performance and environmental & resource efficiency using a number of materials. The FPA is a member The Packaging Recycling Group Scotland (PRGS) and is a signatory to the document you have received in response to the consultation.

We have held meetings with the leading foodservice operators in Scotland and make the following points in addition to those you have received concerning the costs of the scheme and the Eunomia report:

- A DRS poses major logistical issues for most foodservice operators with respect to storage of returned used packaging. Space in most foodservice outlets is restricted and separate storage awaiting collection of returned packaging is going to be difficult to achieve.
- It poses a significant hygiene risks particularly taking back used packaging at the till with high volumes of packaging perhaps a few weeks old in same area where fresh food is being prepared and served. It will greatly impact on operators HACCP procedures and poses potential health risks for consumers.
- It will result in higher charges to consumers.

Along with the other PRGS signatories we firmly believe the proposed collaborative approach will achieve superior results in the areas of litter reduction and recycling at a lower cost financially and logistically than those proposed in the DRS proposal.

We urge ZWS and the Scottish Government to support the PRGS proposal.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Kersh', written in a cursive style.

Martin Kersh, Executive Director