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From: Erin Temming <web@greens.org.au>
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To: recyclinginquiry
Subject: Recycling? Not in Victoria!

RE: INQUIRY INTO RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

I was horrified. To learn that our recycling was headed straight to landfill. I felt cheated and devastated.

All these years I thought that our recycling was being put to use creating new products, here in Victoria or at least Australia. All our government had done for years was ship it off to China, removing it as our problem and handballing it to another country.

It really impacted on me, so much so that I refused to put our recycling bin out for six weeks while the waste was headed straight to landfill. I started plotting, how much would it cost to hire a trailer to drive to South Australia to deposit the cans and bottles to receive the 10c refund??? Nope, that wasn't going to happen.

To think that it's 2019 and Victoria doesn't have a successful recycling program. We need it changed, yesterday!

The 10c refund on bottles and cans needs to be established. We are the most progressive state in so many ways, it's an embarrassment that we are behind other states when it come to waste management.

I really hope we can fix this issue as soon as possible.

-- Erin Temming
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I'm happy for my submission and details to be made public.