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RE: INQUIRY INTO RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

I want direction and planning by the government in regard to single use products. Put together a good plan, tell everyone how to follow it and get everyone onboard. At the moment even if you want to do the right thing it's so unclear what to do. How about a plan where single use materials that can be easily recycled are treated more favourably than products that are far more likely to go to landfill. If a manufacturer wants to use say a type of plastic that is unlikely to get recycled they pay more or if it's easily recyclable they pay less. At the moment, what's the incentive for the manufacturer to be more environmentally friendly. Also I'm a co ordinator for Beach Patrol in Mentone where we pick up rubbish from the beach and the big problem is plastic. There is some progress with the supermarkets stopping single use plastic bags and plastic straws being used less but how about we bring in the bottle deposit scheme in Victoria. If there isn't some positive direction soon we're going to hear a lot more of "what's the point, it all goes to the tip anyway". Come on, help us to help ourselves.

-- Paul Newport  
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I'm happy for my submission and details to be made public.