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From: Dario Bulfone <web@greens.org.au>
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To: recyclinginquiry
Subject: What a waste.

RE: INQUIRY INTO RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

For many years, we've known this crisis has been looming. It is a crisis in my eyes of mass proportion. We have become a society of consumers without compassion for the environment around us.

As a consumer myself, I'm aware of all the mistakes I make. I buy prepackaged food, because it's convenient. I fill my landfill bin with single use plastic, because it's convenient and out of sight. I am a consumer with bad habits and I hate myself for this.

All I can do, is fill my recycling bin and now that I know it's most likely going to landfill or being stockpiled, it saddens me and fills me with angst and depression about the society we've become.

We're just thoughtless consumers.

It really is time for change. Time to re-boot, re-think and change old habits that are right now, just too convenient.

I believe the only way REAL change can happen is through government intervention/regulation.

Manufacturers need to be aware of the life-cycle of their products and need to take responsibility for waste.

Consumers need to change habits.

Government needs to drive the change. Government needs to inspire the change.

Please do something about the mess I'm living in.

Kind regards for the future,

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