

The next recycling challenge: the recovery of flexible plastics packaging

Sydney 24 October 2012 · Melbourne 26 October 2012





Why you should attend

This event will profile some exciting new developments in the recovery and recycling of flexible plastics from municipal, industrial and agricultural waste streams, and visions for the future recovery of these materials.

Kerbside collection programs have already achieved high recovery rates for most common forms of packaging, including glass, cardboard, paper, metal and rigid plastic containers. Much of the packaging that remains in the residual waste bin is flexible plastic packaging, such as bags for fresh produce, bread and cereal, cling wrap and stand-up pouches. This is one of the fastest growing areas of packaging consumption and one that poses particular challenges for recovery. Collection systems that are currently being investigated include drop-off facilities in supermarkets and schools, the addition of plastic films to kerb-side recycling bins and the removal of flexible plastics from municipal waste.

Product stewardship programs are being established for household, agricultural and industrial films, in many cases with the proactive support of product brand owners and funding from the Australian Packaging Covenant.

These Round Tables will provide you with an opportunity to learn about new initiatives and emerging trends in the use and recovery of flexible plastics. They will also provide a forum for stakeholder dialogue about the best strategies to improve recovery, for example through better design, consumer education and investment in infrastructures for collection and reprocessing.

AFGC Future of Packaging White Paper

The SPA Roundtables align directly with the Australian Food and Grocery Council (AFGC) Future of Packaging White Paper, which is aimed at driving more strategic and tangible action on packaging sustainability. The paper is available at www.afgc.org.au.

The White Paper identifies actions that will be taken by AFGC members and associated stakeholders to go 'beyond compliance' with the APC and to address broader waste and sustainability impacts and opportunities related to increasing sustainable packaging. The Future of Packaging White Paper identifies 18 projects where the AFGC, in collaboration with partners such as retailers and packaging manufacturers, can take action. One of these aims to support increased recovery of flexible plastics.

Australian Packaging Covenant (APC)

APC invests in projects that support the achievement of the APC's vision – a community that manufactures, uses, distributes and recovers packaging materials in a sustainable way. Over \$30M has been provided to past and current projects worth more than \$80M. One of the challenges identified by the APC is the recovery of flexible plastics, and a number of trials are underway to test recovery and treatment options. Presentations will be provided on some of the current flexible plastics recovery projects the APC is supporting at the Round Tables.



Program – 8.30am to 1.00pm

<p>Welcome and Introduction</p>	<p>Tanya Barden, Director, Sustainability, Trade and Innovation, Australian Food and Grocery Council (Sydney Only)</p> <p>Angela McClowry, Sustainability Policy Analyst, Australian Food and Grocery Council (Melbourne Only)</p>
<p>Innovations in the use of and recovery of flexible packaging</p>	<p>Richard Smith, General Manager Technical, Amcor Flexibles Asia Pacific ANZ</p>
<p>Packaging Stewardship: recovering plastic films and bags through partnerships with retailers and brand owners</p>	<p>Liz Kasell, Director of Development, RED Group</p>
<p>Household film recycling trial in Darebin Council: collection, sorting and processing</p>	<p>Peter Allan, Director, Sustainable Resource Use</p>
<p>Compostable / biodegradable Bioplastics; their use in flexible films and their end of life options</p>	<p>Rowan Williams, President, Australasian Bioplastics Association</p>
<p>Building sustainable markets for recycled plastic films and bags in Australia</p>	<p>Peter Paterson, National Business Development Manager, Replas (Sydney Only)</p> <p>Mark Jacobson, General Manager, Replas (Melbourne Only)</p>
<p>Considering flexible plastics within a sustainability context</p>	<p>Peter Bury, Director, Strategy & Innovation, Plastics and Chemicals Industries Association (Melbourne Only)</p>
<p>Avoiding waste to landfill: finding new markets for post-industrial films and other problematic wastes</p>	<p>Jason Campbell, Director, Waste Enterprises (Sydney Only)</p>
<p>Challenges of collection and onshore processing of contaminated agricultural films in Australasia</p>	<p>Ed George, Retail Brands Manager, Tapex (Sydney Only)</p>
<p>Capturing the value of plastic films in the municipal waste stream</p>	<p>John Lawson, General Manager Development, Global Renewables (Sydney Only)</p>



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LOCATION

Location Attending (tick one)

Sydney – Wednesday, 24 October 2012 · 8.30am – 1.00pm

Melbourne – Friday, 26 October 2012 · 8.30am – 1.00pm

Please note lunch will be provided at 1.00pm

Sydney

Rydges Parramatta
116 James Ruse Drive, Rosehill

Melbourne

Cliftons, Level 1
440 Collins Street, Melbourne

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Please tick one (signatories will be verified by APC)

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