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To David Robinson,

**APPLICATION FOR WORKS APPROVAL: FOOD ORGANICS AND GARDEN ORGANICS
(FOGO) ORGANICS COMPOSTING FACILITY
APPLICANT: CLEANAWAY SOLID WASTE PTY LTD
LOCATION: 428 MAGNUM AVENUE, KOORLONG, VICTORIA 3501**

Thank you for your correspondence in relation to the above works approval application, referred to Sustainability Victoria (SV) 5 November 2020.

SV is reviewing the application to assist the EPA in determining the proposal in accordance with Section 50C of the *Environment Protection Act 1970*.

- (1) *The Authority may refuse to consider an application for a works approval or an application for the issue or amendment of a licence in relation to a waste management facility if—*
- (a) *the operations of the facility could be inconsistent with the State-Wide Waste and Resource Recovery Infrastructure Plan (SWRRIP) or a relevant Regional Waste and Resource Recovery Implementation Plan; or..*

We acknowledge that the development proposes composting to be undertaken using a proprietary covered aerated static pile (CASP) system called GORE and the facility would have capacity to process up to 10,000 tonnes per annum (tpa) of FOGO and green organic material from Mildura and surrounding areas.

SV considers that the proposal is in line with the SWRRIP (SV, 2018) and notes that 'organics' is listed as a priority material in Section 2.3 SWRRIP *Strategic Directions*.

The *Victorian Market Development Strategy for Recovered Resources* (SV, 2016) also lists 'organics' as a priority material for additional recovery.

SV understands that expanding the number of councils that offer food and garden organics collection services as part of the kerbside system, is a key action in Regional Implementation Plans to increase organics recovery.

SV supports the application and if you require any further information about organics recovery we would be happy to assist.

While we acknowledge that the EPA are the authority with regard to buffers and amenity impacts, SV notes that these types of land uses can give rise to odour impacts and therefore EPA should ensure that there are no adverse impacts in this regard.



If you need additional information or assistance, please contact Sam Trowse on 8626 8853, or sam.trowse@sustainability.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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