

16<sup>th</sup> November 2020

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Dear David,

**SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR WORKS APPROVAL 1004143- CLEANAWAY SOLID WASTE PTY LTD, 428 Magnum Avenue, Koorlong, Victoria 3501.**

Thank you for your correspondence of the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020 seeking the Loddon Mallee Waste and Resource Recovery Group's (LMWRRG) comment on the above works approval and the consistency of the works approval application with the Loddon Mallee Waste and Resource Recovery Implementation Plan 2016-26 (LMWRRIP 2016).

The LMWRRIP 2016 indicates that food waste accounts for 22% of all materials in landfill and currently makes up over 30% in household garbage bins. Currently only 8% of food waste generated in the region is recovered. The LMWRRIP 2016 recognises that there is a need for food organics processing facilities within the Loddon Mallee region.

Food organics recovery is expected to rise to an 63,300 tonnes per annum in the region as councils progressively introduce kerbside collections. The proposed facility will process food and garden organics collected from households across the Mildura Rural City Council area.

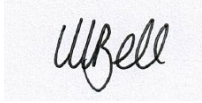
The LMWRRIP recognises that food and garden organics have a potentially high contribution to greenhouse gas emissions when not managed to best practice standards in landfill. Priority Action four in the LMWRRIP aims to increase recovery of organics from households and also to investigate solutions for organics reprocessing.

The Works Approval aligns with the strategic intent of the LMWRRIP as outlined above.

The proposed facility also aligns with the Victorian Government policy, *Recycling Victoria: a new economy*, which recognises the target agreed in the National Waste Policy Action Plan to halve the amount of organic waste sent to landfill for disposal by 2030.

If you have any queries in relation to LMRRG's comments, please do not hesitate to contact Tony Rijs 95800324 or email [tony.rijs@mwrrg.vic.gov.au](mailto:tony.rijs@mwrrg.vic.gov.au).

Yours sincerely,



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