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Dear Mike

SUBMISSION - WASTE NOT, WANT NOT: VALUING WASTE AS A RESOURCE

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (the department) acknowledges the problems associated with establishing a legislative framework and difficulty in establishing viable markets from waste derived materials and commends the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation on its Issues Paper.

The department supports an outcomes-based approach in the development of a framework, including;

- Risk based, fit for purpose standards;
- A streamlined approval process;
- WA specific evidence base; and
- Certainty and stability for markets;

The Paper provides a summary of the legislative frameworks used in NSW, SA and QLD, however, does not analyse their success. Further work to assess the effectiveness of these legislative frameworks would be beneficial.

Should you require any further assistance please contact Ms Yvette Peterson, Manager Local Government Policy and Engagement on 0434 071 752 or by email yvette.peterson@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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