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Standards Australia

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Dear Ms Ramsbottom

Re: Aged Standards Review AS 4123 Series (Parts 1- 5)

We refer to your recent email communication to Greg Gornall requesting feedback on the proposed withdrawal of the above referenced Standard.

The Waste Management and Resource Recovery Association of Australia (WMRR) is the national peak body for all stakeholders in the waste and resource recovery industry. We have more than 2,000 members across the nation, representing a broad range of business organisations, the three (3) tiers of government, universities, and NGOs. As such, we are a significant stakeholder in the continuity and currency of AS 4123 Parts 1-7.

We strongly object to the withdrawal of the Standard. We request a revision of the publication so that all parts of the Standard, Parts 1 – 7 have their status changed to 'Pending Revision' as referred to in your email to stakeholders dated 8 March 2019.

AS 4123 has become the baseline standard specified by almost all Local Government Associations, councils and waste contractors with regard to the supply of Mobile Waste Containers. Most of these organisations are members of WMRR.

We understand that a revision of a publication requires the submission of a proposal for revision and that there is a 12-month period in which such a proposal has to be submitted. We believe a review is warranted due to, amongst other issues, significant ongoing changes to our industry and necessary developments for instance towards encouraging manufacturing industry to embrace a circular economy. The updating of relevant Standards can assist this and WMRR is interested in providing a future submission in this regard.

We would appreciate your confirmation of receipt of this letter and would request that ongoing correspondence is directed to Greg Gornall who represented WMRR previously on the Standards Committee for AS4123 and will continue to do so until further notice. Greg can be contacted on 0418 139 020 or at greggornall@mgbconsult.net

Yours sincerely

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