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TO: SPREP National Focal Points

SUBJECT: Expression of Interest – Waste items for Recovery and Recycling

Dear SPREP Members,

We are excited to inform you that our PacWastePlus programme, with the support of the Waste Management & Pollution Control Programme is implementing an innovative project to assist countries and the waste management industry to increase trades of waste commodities and to access the opportunity for subsidized shipping costs provided by the Moana Taka Partnership (MTP).

We are establishing a register of companies, through an Expression of Interest, that may buy or accept waste commodities for appropriate recovery or approved disposal (both within, and external to the region).

We understand that many Pacific Island Countries have undertaken collections of commonly recovered products, such as plastic beverage containers, aluminium cans, glass bottles, e-waste, end-of life vehicles, lead acid batteries, used oil, etc. but do not have a clear understanding of the opportunities available for these products to be sent from the region, to a recovery or disposal market.

The hope is that companies will register their interest to undertake trades in the region, and countries and the waste management industry will benefit from a broader market base than is currently realised.

Further details about this Expression of Interest, which I encourage you to share widely within your professional networks, can be found at PacWastePlus EOI Registration (https://forms.gle/FpManYZFXQZRJrbU9)

Should you require further clarification please email the PacWastePlus programme team on pwp@sprep.org

Over the coming weeks the PacWastePlus programme will be promoting this EOI through SPREP website, paid advertisements in Waste Management Associations in Australia, NZ, USA, and also promoted through the various waste associations in the Pacific.

Yours sincerely,

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