Recycling Madness

G'day,

I'm Ben a dirty rotten Garbo who is passionate about all things to do with waste and recycling since I was 18 months old (family can verify). I apologise for my short and sharp approach in this submission, I'm currently working on a white paper about this very issue.

For most people of society, including government bureaucrats, the waste industry is out of sight out of mind, unless you get your bin stickered for misuse. That is pretty much the source of our own self-inflicted situation at the moment in the recycling industry let alone the broader waste management community.

For all of you morons getting your knickers in a knot, coming up with fancy terminology and pointing the finger in a childish manner, to lump the blame on someone that isn’t you, (stop picking on glass) kindly sit down, shut up, and share the responsibility of the deplorable situation that we all played a part in. While also accepting that the solution to the problem is far, far, far, more simpler then the latest idea’s from the bureaucrat brigade, or for that matter every Tom, Dick and Harry’s fantastical, magical and plain illogical and impractical ideas.

Ok smart arse, so what’s your wonderfully simple solution? (Is what your probably thinking...)

I'm glad you asked. The oh so simple, easy peasy, little thing is, to go back to 1999. (no pun intended) Collect bottles and containers separately, from paper and cardboard. No I don’t mean go back to a crate and bundle system, Worksafe won’t allow anyway. Simply give every household and business two 240 litre bins collected fortnightly, on the same day and week as current, a yellow lid bin for the bottle and containers, a blue lid bin for the paper and cardboard, you won’t run out of space in the bins as much, if at all, either.

So what about the trucks and sorting? Easy peasy, most fleets will only need one to four extra trucks as the bins won’t always be full or overfull like they are now, which means more bins on per load, less trips to empty at the MRF’s, and quicker easier sorting for the existing MRF’s.

As I mentioned at the start of this letter, I'm currently working on a white paper addressing all the key points of failure by both government and industry, on the recycling industry, as such I cannot go into as much detail here, as I will there. Please rest assured the oh so simple solution I have shown you all, is the cheapest, easiest and most efficient way at minimal cost, both short, and long term, to make recycling among other things work properly in a self-sustaining manner.

Kind regards

Ben