The Association of Plastic Recyclers 2050 M Street NW Washington, DC 20036 June 12, 2023

David BAYARD, L'Occitane-En-Provence R&D Packaging Director ZI St Maurice CS 70013 – 04107 MANOSQUE – France Dear Mr. Bayard:



The Association of Plastic Recyclers (APR) is pleased to recognize L'Occitane-En-Provence Hand Cream Tube 30ml made from ALBEA Greenleaf Gen2 and HDPE easy closure system, as meeting or exceeding the most strict APR HDPE Critical Guidance criteria HDPE-CG-01 Critical Guidance Protocol for HDPE Rigid Containers. This APR recognition is based on the technical recyclability of tube innovation, in the HDPE container recycling stream. **Note that this recognition applies only to tubes 2 inches x 2 inches in two dimensions or larger.** 

A Review Committee, appointed per the APR Recognition Operating Procedures, reviewed your data submission and concluded the data were correctly obtained by a qualified laboratory and were completely presented to show the tubes submitted meet or exceed the most challenging test conditions and strictest APR Critical Guidance and Applications Guidance criteria.

The HDPE Critical Guidance documents that were used to evaluate the tube innovation, are the product of a multi-industry consensus process to identify and address certain key technical considerations related to the recycling of postconsumer HDPE containers. The Documents direct innovators to conduct specific testing per established testing procedures and then provide the innovator with guidance to interpret the results. The protocols are intended to help improve the quality of the recycled HDPE container stream by aiding innovators to make informed decisions about the consequences of packaging innovations. APR thanks L'Occitane-En-Provence, for voluntarily submitting this tube for Recognition. The impact of these protocols is beneficial to world-wide recycling efforts.

APR recognition applies only to the L'Occitane-En-Provence Hand Cream Tube 30ml made from ALBEA Greenleaf Gen2 and HDPE easy closure system. While this Recognition speaks to the compatibility of your innovation tube, with HDPE container recycling, it does not speak to collection of containers or include other tubes in the market that may conflict with the HDPE container recycling process. Meeting the Critical Guidance Document is a truly significant step in demonstrating overall recyclability of your tube innovation.

Yours truly,

President and CEO