

The Association of Plastic Recyclers 2050 M Street NW Washington, DC 20036 April 26, 2023

Mr. Mohammed Ashif Razak, Executive Chairman Golden Manufacturers Pte Limited Boila Circle, Kalabo Industrial Estate, Nasinu, Fiji

## Dear Mr. Razak:

The Association of Plastic Recyclers (APR) is pleased to recognize Golden Manufacturers' Decorated BOPP film pressure sensitive adhesive labels with BASF UV wash-off adhesive for PET Bottles, as meeting or exceeding the most strict APR PE Critical Guidance criteria PET-CG-02 Critical Guidance Protocol for Clear PET Articles with Labels and Closures. This APR recognition is based on the technical recyclability of the label innovation, in the PET container recycling stream.

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 labels submitted meet or exceed the most challenging test conditions and strictest APR Critical Guidance criteria.

The PET Critical Guidance documents that were used to evaluate the label innovation, are the product of a multi-industry consensus process to identify and address certain key technical considerations related to the recycling of postconsumer PET 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 PET containers by aiding innovators to make informed decisions about the consequences of packaging innovations. APR thanks Golden Manufacturers, for voluntarily submitting this label innovation for Recognition. The impact of these protocols is beneficial to world-wide recycling efforts. Meeting the Critical Guidance Document is a truly significant step in demonstrating overall recyclability of your label innovation.

APR recognition applies only to the Golden Manufacturers' Decorated BOPP film pressure sensitive adhesive labels with BASF UV wash-off adhesive for PET Bottles. While this Recognition speaks to the compatibility of your innovation label, with PET container recycling, it does not speak to collection of containers or include other film labels in the market that may conflict with the PET container recycling process. We encourage Golden Manufacturers to be sure in its packaging information that the public does not misunderstand that this Recognition applies to look-alike film labels or to believe collection is happening when it is not.

Yours truly,

President and CEO