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Mr. Craig Bushman Vice President Research & Development Multi-Color Corporation 5510 Courseview Drive Mason, OH 45040

Dear Mr. Bushman:

APR, the Association of Plastic Recyclers, is pleased to recognize Multi-Color Corporation's RecycLABEL® clear #11581 and RecycLABEL® white #11582 pressure sensitive labels made with clear and white BOPP and an acrylic emulsion adhesive as meeting or exceeding APR's Pressure Sensitive Adhesive Label for PET Bottles Critical Guidance Document, now PET-CG-02, requirements and hereby so states. This letter recognizes the change of label names from Spear®RC to RecycLABEL® with the acquisition of Spear Inc. by Multi-Color Corporation and is an update to original November 21, 2013 letter.

A Review Committee, appointed per the APR Recognition Operating Procedures, reviewed the November 12, 2013 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 all critical guidance.

The Pressure Sensitive Adhesive Label for PET Bottles Critical Guidance Document is the product of multi-industry consensus of key issues related to the recycling of postconsumer PET bottles. The Document directs innovators to conduct specific testing per established testing procedures and then provides the innovator with guidance to interpret the results. The APR recognition is based on the innovation meeting or exceeding the most challenging test conditions and strictest guidance criteria.

APR thanks Multi-Color Corporation for its cooperation in using this important protocol. The protocol is intended to improve the quality of recycled bottles by helping innovators to make informed decisions about the consequences of PET bottle innovations. The impact of this protocol is beneficial to world-wide recycling efforts.

Our recognition applies only to RecycLABEL® clear #11581 and RecycLABEL® white #11582 labels and not necessarily to bottles using the labels as those bottles would need to be tested themselves to demonstrate the system of resin, adjuvants, and closure conformed to the APR Critical Guidance Document. Meeting the Critical Guidance Document guidelines is a truly significant step in demonstrating overall recyclability of your label and decoration system.

Yours truly

APR President and CEO