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Mr. Edward Huels
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Dear Mr. Huels,

APR, the Association of Plastic Recyclers, is pleased to recognize Silgan Plastic Food Containers' undecorated PP tray without lidding, but with a sealing layer, and with 8% and less ethylene vinyl alcohol co-extruded barrier layer and maleated polypropylene tie layer and with a compatibilized regrind layer as meeting or exceeding the most strict APR Polypropylene Critical Guidance criteria, PP-CG-01. The EVOH was composed of 29% ethylene and the structure included RG100 compatibilizer additive.

A Review Committee, appointed per the APR Recognition Operating Procedures, reviewed your January 7, 2021 data submission and concluded the data were correctly obtained by a qualified laboratory and were completely presented to show the trays submitted meet or exceed the most challenging test conditions and strictest APR Critical Guidance criteria.

This APR Recognition applies to the trays for which data were submitted. The PP Critical Guidance document that was used to evaluate the Silgan trays is the product of a multi-industry consensus process to identify and address certain key technical considerations related to the recycling of postconsumer polypropylene packaging. The Document directs 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 container stream by aiding innovators to make informed decisions about the consequences of packaging innovations. APR thanks Silgan Plastic Food Containers for voluntarily submitting its trays for Recognition. The impact of these protocols is beneficial to world-wide recycling efforts. Meeting the Critical Guidance protocol is truly significant steps in demonstrating overall recyclability of your trays.

Our recognition applies only to the tray and lid sealing material. The lid stock and decoration were not tested and are not included. Meeting the Critical Guidance Document guidelines is a truly significant step in demonstrating overall recyclability of your tray product.

Yours truly

President and CEO

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