

Appendix 1: Consultation Recommendation to Ministry of Environment and Climate Change in regards to the Encorp Pacific program plan.

We recognize that Encorp has set the overall target to increase to 80% by 2020. While this is an improvement from the 77% overall target previously proposed, the RDN believes that Encorp is capable of setting a higher achievable overall target.

- Low Recovery Rates - Pouches, Bag in Box and Drink Boxes
 - This target again is too low and should be set at a minimum baseline of 50%, rising to 75% in the second or third year
 - If these materials are underperforming there should be an increase in education/awareness or reduction in production from producers.
 - Clear signage at point of sale with refundable information should be made available
- Recyclability of commodities
 - Clear transparency about the recyclability of commodities with numbers showing what gets recycled and or sent for disposal. As a signee of the Ellen MacArthur Foundation's Global Commitment, Encorp has committed to recycle 75% of the plastic containers sold into the Province of BC by 2022 but again more can be done! What are the reasons behind the target being set at 75%? Recyclability? Collection? Disposal?
- Definition of 'Recyclable' - would be better to see a breakdown of reuse, recycling for further product/packaging production or waste to energy and engineered fuel in the recycling statistics.
- What are the hard to recycle container types?
- Is there any system/regulation in place to deter packaging companies from producing hard to recycle containers?
 - Surcharge to be added to these products in order to deter their availability?
 - Again the public needs more transparency about what happens to their recycling.
- Refundable amounts
 - Consider increasing refundable amounts in order to improve recovery numbers. Evidence has shown that if a larger deposit is put upon a packaging it can help improve recovery numbers.

Overall as a leading stewardship agency in BC, Encorp should be setting higher standards for Stewards to meet not just meeting the status quo.