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VWMA Endorses Inaugural Victorian Recycling Infrastructure Plan

The Victorian Waste Management Association (VWMA) is pleased to endorse the recently launched Victorian Recycling Infrastructure Plan (VRIP) by Recycling Victoria. This landmark initiative is set to transform the recycling landscape in Victoria, ensuring a more sustainable future for our communities and the environment.

The VRIP aims to bolster recycling capabilities, enhance infrastructure, and promote innovation within the sector. Mark Smith, Executive Officer of VWMA, stated, "The Victorian Recycling Infrastructure Plan represents a significant step forward in our collective efforts to improve recycling practices across the state. It addresses the critical need for robust infrastructure, enabling us to meet future demands while reducing our environmental impact."

Smith added, "We applaud the commitment from Recycling Victoria to support local communities and businesses in this endeavour. The VRIP will not only facilitate improved recycling outcomes but also create opportunities for economic growth and job creation within the waste management sector."

In conjunction with this endorsement, VWMA is excited to announce an upcoming Masterclass on 26 November focussed on writing applications and submissions to EPA Victoria. This session will provide valuable insights and practical skills for stakeholders looking to navigate the complexities of regulatory submissions effectively. It will cover how to create an application to suit the needs of the EPA, including an overview triggers and permissions, along with other factors that will support acceptance of applications.

For more details on the Masterclass, please visit www.vwma.com.au

Smith remarked, "As we move forward with the VRIP, it's crucial for industry professionals to be equipped with the right tools and knowledge. Our Masterclass will empower participants to effectively engage with regulatory bodies, ensuring compliance and fostering innovation in our industry."

The VWMA remains committed to supporting initiatives that promote sustainable waste management practices and looks forward to collaborating with Recycling Victoria and other stakeholders to realize the goals set forth in the VRIP.

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About the VWMA

The Victorian Waste Management Association (VWMA) is the key division of the Victorian Transport Association representing the waste and recycling sectors. We are a member based, not for profit association that aims to be the leading association for recycling and waste management in Victoria.

The VWMA works to promote best practice and the highest industry standards through providing Member services and advice on industrial relations, occupational health and safety issues, and environmental regulations.

The VWMA represents its members and advocates and lobbies on their behalf on issues and policies affecting them by developing professional relationships with the relevant Government agencies, the wider waste industry and the public.