# Recycling Modernisation Fund Plastics Technology stream

## FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - ENVIRONMENT

Table 1: Form	Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule				
Parties	Commonwealth Victoria				
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2027 or on completion of final performance reporting and processing of final payments against milestones.				
Purpose	<ul> <li>This Schedule will support the delivery of three projects funded under the Recycling Modernisation Fund Plastics Technology stream that will:</li> <li>Significantly increase Australia's recycling and recovery rates of hard-to-recycle plastics</li> <li>Support a safe circular economy for plastics in Australia to transform waste plastic into valuable new products, such as foodgrade plastic packaging</li> <li>Build domestic and international confidence to invest in recycling infrastructure in Australia</li> <li>Support long-term job creation and a more highly skilled workforce in the Australian recycling industry</li> <li>Protect our environment through reduced plastic pollution.</li> </ul>				

# Estimated financial contributions

The Commonwealth will provide a maximum estimated total financial contribution of \$15,603,187 to Victoria. All payments are GST exclusive.

The estimated financial contribution to be provided by the Commonwealth is outlined in Table 1.

Table 1 (\$ million)	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	Total
Estimated total budget	5.743	8.946	0.914	15.603
Less estimated National Partnerships Payments	5.743	8.946	0.914	15.603
Balance of non- Commonwealth contribution	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

Note: Table 1 includes contributions from the Commonwealth but does not include contributions from the Project Proponent. Victoria is not making a financial contribution towards these projects.

# Additional terms

#### Financial contributions

- 1. Victoria is responsible for provision of funds to Project Proponents and reporting on the implementation of the projects listed in Table 2.
- 2. The Commonwealth will contribute up to 50% of the cost of each project listed in Table 2 up to \$15,603,187 (subject to a maximum contribution for each project noted in Table 2), with the Project Proponents contributing at least of 50% of the total cost for each project. Victoria will be responsible for ensuring the Project Proponent contributions are provided for each project.

#### **Payments**

3. If the maximum Commonwealth payment shown in Table 3 is not made in a given financial year the Commonwealth may move funds into later years at its discretion. The Commonwealth makes no guarantee that unspent funding (if any) will be carried into later years. A discussion between the Parties at officials level will occur prior to any decision being made on unspent funding.

### Reporting

4. Victoria will provide project data updates to the Commonwealth, as requested by the Commonwealth (but no more frequently than on a quarterly basis), including any updates to data from the initial data capture or previous quarter and progress against milestones in the funding agreements between Victoria and the Project Proponents.

- 5. Victoria is responsible for providing advice as soon as it becomes aware if the project is unlikely to progress, or if there are issues likely to impact its on-time completion.
- 6. Once a project is complete, Victoria will provide the following data on that project to the Commonwealth as soon as practicable:
  - the volume and type of additional plastic waste the project will process each year
  - ii) the volume and type of additional plastic waste being processed following the project commissioning
  - iii) the feedstock for the project inputs
  - iv) the end-markets for the project offtake
  - v) the number of ongoing FTE jobs created by the project
  - vi) the environmental, social and economic benefits of the project.

### Traceability

- 7. Victoria will ensure that Project Proponents as a condition of funding:
  - implement recycled content traceability consistent with the National Framework for Recycled Content Traceability and register their use of the national framework with Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water; and
  - ii) provide reports on specified dates to Sustainability Victoria.

	Table 2: Project summaries		Carlos Carlos Services (Carlos Areas)	
	Project title and description	Project proponent	Expected project completion date	Commonwealth funding
2a.	Naula Feedstock Preparation Facility.  The project will install advanced sorting and processing of up to 32,000 tonnes of soft and mixed plastics products each year, to refine them to produce new plastics such as food-grade packaging. This will help Australia to develop an advanced recycling supply chain that will turn post-consumer soft plastic waste back into food and other packaging.	Naula Pty Ltd	28 April 2027	\$5,178,150
2b.	PPG – Circular economy: Transforming Australia's soft plastic landscape through sustainable packaging innovation  The project will expand the existing facility to recycle Low density polyethylene/Linear low-density polyethylene and install extrusion equipment to remanufacture using the outputs. The goal is to produce up to 11,000 tonnes per annum of Australian recycled content soft plastic packaging, using 3,300 tonnes of recycled content.	Pro-Pac Group Pty Limited	21 December 2026	\$6,003,333
2C.	Circular Agricultural Plastic Recycling and Remanufacture  The project will install recycling technology and infrastructure in Hamilton to recover and process an additional 8,000 tonnes per annum of traditionally hard-to-recycle agricultural Polypropylene and Low density polyethylene plastics such as films, grain tarp and baling twine into high quality resins for remanufacturing back into the original products.	Sustainable Plastic Solutions Pty Ltd	15 May 2027	\$4,421,704

Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Delivery of project 2a listed in Table 2	Milestone 1  Commonwealth acceptance of an Implementation Plan that includes, at a minimum:  an outline of the phases of the Project including planning, licensing, preconstruction, construction and deposits, shipping and commissioning of equipment  a timeline that outlines timing for the phases of the Project  expected outcome of the Project  Project budget	11 December 2024	\$1,553,445
	• risk plan.		
	Milestone 2 Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in Additional Term 4.	29 September 2025	\$2,900,907
	Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:		
	<ul> <li>confirmation and evidence of ordering of equipment.</li> <li>Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.</li> </ul>		
	Milestone 3  Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in Additional Term 4.	1 July 2026	\$200,000

Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:  • shipping of equipment.  Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.		
Milestone 4	28 September 2026	\$294,927
Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in Additional Term 4.		
Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:		
<ul> <li>installation of equipment.</li> </ul>		
Evidence of the payments made to the project proponent consistent with this agreement.		
Milestone 5	28 November 2026	\$228,871
Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in Additional Term 4.		
Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:		
commissioning of equipment		
<ul> <li>engineering sign off.</li> </ul>		
Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.		

	Milestone 6	28 April 2027	Nil
	Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in Additional Term 4.		
	If not already provided, final completion report for the project which demonstrates the outcomes achieved through the implementation of the project.		
	Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.		
Delivery of	Milestone 1	11 December 2024	\$1,801,000
project 2b listed in	Commonwealth acceptance of an Implementation Plan that includes, at a minimum:		
Table 2	<ul> <li>an outline of the phases of the Project including planning, licensing, preconstruction, construction and deposits, shipping and commissioning of equipment</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>a timeline that outlines timing for the phases of the Project</li> </ul>		
	expected outcome of the Project		
	Project budget		
	• risk plan.	,	
	Milestone 2	28 April 2025	\$1,062,414
	Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in clause 4.		
	Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:		
	<ul> <li>Equipment order 1 - Part deposit paid by the Proponent</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Equipment order 2 - Part deposit paid by the Proponent</li> </ul>		
	Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.		

Milestone 3	28 February 2026	\$1,884,246
Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in clause 4.		
Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:		
<ul> <li>Equipment order 2 - Part deposit paid by the Proponent for remaining equipment</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Equipment order 1 - Progress payments made by the Proponent.</li> </ul>		
Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.		
Milestone 4	15 May 2026	\$1,255,673
Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in clause 4.		
Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:		
<ul> <li>Equipment order 1 - Installation and commissioning</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Equipment order 2 - Progress payments made by the Proponent.</li> </ul>		
Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.		
Milestone 5		Nil
Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in clause 4.	21 December 2026	
If not already provided, final completion report for the project which demonstrates the outcomes achieved through the implementation of the project.		

	Evidence of the payments made to the project proponent consistent with this agreement.		
Delivery of project 2c listed in Table 2	Milestone 1  Commonwealth acceptance of an Implementation Plan that includes, at a minimum:  an outline of the phases of the Project including planning, licensing, preconstruction, construction and deposits, shipping and commissioning of equipment  a timeline that outlines timing for the phases of the Project  expected outcome of the Project  Project budget  risk plan.	11 December 2024	\$1,326,511
	Milestone 2 Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in clause 4.  Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:  • Equipment order 1 - Deposit paid by the Proponent Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.	28 July 2025	\$1,079,498
	Milestone 3  Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in clause 4.  Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:	21 December 2025	\$1,825,429

	<ul> <li>Equipment order 1 - Progress payment made by the Proponent</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Equipment order 2 Deposit paid by the Proponent</li> </ul>		
	Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.		
	Milestone 4	28 July 2026	\$95,133
	Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in clause 4.		
	Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:		
	<ul> <li>Equipment order 1 Progress payment made by the Proponent</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Equipment order 2 Progress payment made by the Proponent</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Equipment order 3 Deposit paid by the Proponent</li> </ul>		
	Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.		
	Milestone 5	28 October 2026	\$95,133
	Project data updates provided to the Commonwealth for the most recent data request as outlined in clause 4.		
	Satisfactory progress against the Implementation Plan as demonstrated in an Interim Project Report to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth containing progress against the Phases outlined in the Implementation Plan, including:		
	<ul> <li>Equipment order 1 Installation and commissioning</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Equipment order 2 Progress payment made by the Proponent</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Equipment order 3 Progress payment made by the Proponent</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Equipment order 4 Deposit paid by the Proponent</li> </ul>		

Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.		
Milestone 6	15 May 2027	Nil
If not already provided, final completion report for the project which demonstrates the outcomes achieved through the implementation of the project.		
Evidence of the payments made to the Project Proponent consistent with this agreement.		

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

**Signed** for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

The Honourable Tanya Plibersek MP Minister for the Environment and Water

/ 2 December 2024

Signed for and on behalf of the

State of Victoria by

The Honourable Steve Dimopoulos MP

Minister for the Environment

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