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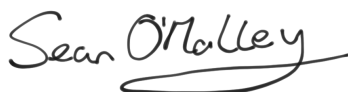
Dear Ruth

I am pleased to invite you to become a member of the Australian Circular Economy Hub (ACE-Hub) metrics working group. The ACE-Hub has identified the need to work with the Australian community to develop the metrics, data and indicators as well as tools to measure Australia's material and waste flows and circularity journey.

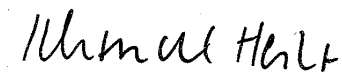
The metrics working group is being formed to facilitate Australia's journey to a circular economy. To understand Australia's opportunities for a circular economy and to monitor the progress towards circularity of material supply chains there is benefit in developing metrics, data and indicators that can inform policy decisions along with business and government investment. A coherent set of policy indicators measuring circularity across the whole economy and for specific sectors and products will inform sustainable materials management, reflecting the adage "we can't manage what we don't measure". Measurement not only allows the management of circular activities but if it is monitored effectively, we can begin to mitigate and change the undesirable impacts of a linear economy.

Please find attached the initial Terms of Reference for the working group. If you can respond confirming your acceptance of the position, then we can issue potential timings and details of the first meeting.

We look forward to working with you and driving circular economy metrics within Australia.



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