

26th October 2005

Mr Brendan Crotty
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Green Building Council of Australia
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Dear Mr Crotty,

Thank you for your recent letter dated 14th October 05.

You refer to the numerous letters I have sent to the Green Building Council of Australia (GBCA), which have been a necessity due to the failure of the GBCA in addressing the issues I have raised. The GBCA has indeed responded to my letters however has continuously responded without acknowledging or directly answering the issues I have raised.

Further we have suggested a review of the Materials Content Criteria by an independent organisation such as the CSIRO, without response.

I would therefore request a meeting with you to discuss the issues I have been raising since earlier this year in an attempt to reach a resolution.

My objective is to ensure that the GBCA supports the use of the best available products including textiles from an environmental and human health perspective and at the same time ensure there is a level playing field for all locally manufactured and sustainable textiles in the "Green Building" market.

As a direct result of the GS – OI rating tools Materials Category criteria there is anti competitive and unfair advantage for the manufacturers / suppliers of recycled PET textiles mostly produced overseas, over local manufacturers / suppliers of rapidly renewable textiles.

If we cannot come to a satisfactory resolution I would suggest that the ACCC would be the appropriate organisation to assist and review the issues.

I look forward to your response and meeting with you asap.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Fitzsimons
Managing Director

NB) Please find attached my response to the points you have raised in your letter dated 14th October 2005.