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The Hon Mark Speakman MP SC
Minister for the Environment,
Heritage; and Assistant Minister for Planning
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Dear Minister

On behalf of Australia's food and beverage manufacturing sector, I would like to congratulate you on your success at the election and the re-election of the Coalition Government.

The Australian food and beverage sector is the country's largest manufacturing sector, with a turnover of \$114 billion and employment close to 300,000, about half of which is in regional and rural areas. In New South Wales, food and beverage manufacturers directly employ almost 75,000 people.

Prior to the election, the AFGC worked collaboratively with the former Environment Minister, the Hon Rob Stokes, and the NSW Government, to develop a program that cost-effectively reduces the incidence of beverage container litter in public spaces. The Thirst for Good program reduces beverage container litter through the use of reverse vending machines located in areas where litter counts are high, supported by a high-impact cause-related marketing campaign. Industry welcomed the opportunity to work with the NSW Coalition Government to develop this program, which delivers on the Government's policy objectives while minimising the regulatory burden on business and flow on impacts in the community.

We would appreciate the opportunity to brief you on industry's involvement with Thirst for Good and work with you and the NSW Government on the next steps.

Congratulations again on your appointment, and we will be in contact with your office to arrange a meeting at your convenience.

Yours Sincerely,

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