

Subject: RE: Submission on the proposed mandatory phase out of single-use plastic shopping bags

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Kia ora/ greetings Thank you very much for taking the time to share your views on the proposed mandatory phase out of single use plastic shopping bags. A summary of all submissions will be provided to Cabinet in late October 2018 to support their final decision on this proposal. Cabinet will also decide on publication of consultation results, and we will update you as soon as we can. If you want to keep up to date with developments in this area and have not already done so, please subscribe to our email list (go to "Stay informed" in the right margin at <http://www.mfe.govt.nz/consultation/plasticshoppingbags>). If you have asked a question rather than made a submission with your email, please be patient as our priority at this time is to process the submissions. You may ask questions to the Ministry for the Environment any time directly to info@mfe.govt.nz Ngā mihi mahana/ warm regards wastefree@mfe.govt.nz 0800-499-700 or +64 4-439-7400 -----Original Message----- From: Sent: Thursday, 16 August 2018 3:02 PM To: Wastefree Subject: Submission on the proposed mandatory phase out of single-use plastic shopping bags Dear Hon. Eugenie Sage, So much for the myth of the "single use plastic bag". I use those give-away plastic shopping bags for many other uses; such as lining the rubbish bins in every bedroom (5) every toilet (3), in the kitchen (1) in our house ++ I need a bag about once a week to put my logfire cold ashes into BEFORE they go into the landfill bin. AND many other uses which are not associated with disposing of "rubbish". Now, I may have to find a source of plastic bags I can use around the house to replace those. I'll bet that when I DO find such a source they won't break down as easily as the current shopping bags do. I will source them from overseas if necessary. People say I should instead use leaky paper, then wash out all these plastic bins that I have... well I don't have all day for that kind of nonsense. Who does? Yours sincerely, Brian Swale Clyde