

Teryn Proracki**Submitter Type:** Individual**Source:** Web Form**Overall Position:** Support**Overall Notes:****Clause**

1. Do you agree with the Government's proposal to prohibit the manufacture and sale of personal care products containing microbeads (eg, body scrubs, facial cleaners, toothpastes) to reduce their impacts on New Zealand's environment and human health? Why/why not?

Position

Yes

Notes

They are a major polluter and a toxin within the natural environment. Animal life are eating the beads which could be a secondary poisoning to human health as the beads are known to attract other toxic chemicals/impurities within its close proximity.

Clause

2. What are your views on the Government narrowing or widening the definition of the scope of personal care products containing microbeads to be prohibited from manufacture and sale in New Zealand?

Notes

I am happy with the mandate that would remove plastic beads from entering the natural environment. I believe they are a large contributor of ongoing environment issues.

Clause

3. Do you currently manufacture, sell or use any personal care products containing microbeads? Please specify.

Position

No

Notes**Clause**

4. Do you currently manufacture, sell or use any personal care products containing microbeads for medically prescribed uses or purposes? Please specify.

Position

No

Notes**Clause**

5. Do you currently import any personal care products containing microbeads into New Zealand, either for sale or personal use? Please specify.

Position

No

Notes**Clause**

6. Are you aware of any personal care products containing microbeads for any purpose that could be considered an essential or critical use?

Notes

Nothing that you couldn't get in a better organic form.

Clause

7. Do you currently manufacture, sell or use any alternatives to personal care products containing microbeads (or components therein), which are designed and used for the same purpose(s)? Please specify.

Position

No

Notes**Clause**

8. Do you consider the alternatives to personal care products containing microbeads (or components therein) to be reasonably practicable, readily available, and similarly priced for existing personal, business or other uses? Why/why not?

Position

No

Notes

We should be going away from plastic based products, they are not worth the environment cost when there are so many non-harming alternatives.

Clause

9. Is there any reason why the alternatives would not be reasonably practicable, readily available, or similarly priced for personal, business or other uses? If so, would you consider operating against the policy intent and importing personal care products containing microbeads from overseas?

Position

No

Notes

Clause

10. What would be the impact on you or your business if personal care products containing microbeads were prohibited for manufacture and sale in New Zealand and the alternatives were not reasonably practicable, readily available, or similarly priced?

Notes

I am happy to pay a little more for a product that is sustainable in its production.

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11. Do you support the Government's approach to administration and enforcement of the proposed regulations under the Waste Minimisation Act? Why/why not?

Notes

Don't know what the enforcement will be.

Clause

12. Are there any other considerations for administration and enforcement of the proposed regulations that have not been outlined in the Administration and enforcement section in the Managing microbeads in personal care products consultation document?

Notes

It is time that New Zealand phases out all micro bead products.

Clause

13. What are your views on the Government's proposed timeframe for entry-into-force of the regulations under the Waste Minimisation Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of personal care products containing microbeads?

Notes

Should take effect immediately.

The submitter have elected to withhold their personal details from publication.