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Dear DECC,

My response to question 1 is: I don't know, have you considered other systems? Why has a DRS been chosen as a solution to the problem?

My understanding of a DRS is that it will be

- costly. It requires a lot of vending machines that someone has to pay for plus locations for vending machines that need to be rented, etc.

- unlikely to have any real impact on recycling rates (reference [this report](#) - The data suggests that a successful DRS would only increase overall MSW recycling rates by 0.34%).

Have you considered the following model? Increase the landfill tax and bring in an incineration tax then use the extra funds to increase recycling rebates? I understand this model may increase bin charges in the short term to householders. However, this could be cost neutral to the government.

As you're aware, Repak pays a rebate to waste companies for every tonne of packaging waste recycled. Increasing these rebates will make it more attractive to separate waste and recycle it.

Thank-you for taking the time to read my submission. I look forward to your response.

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Kind regards

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