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Mr. Tom Gray  
SKC, Inc.  
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Dear Mr.Gray:

APR, the Association of Postconsumer Plastic Recyclers, is pleased to recognize SKC, Inc.'s SK Ecolabel™ film for sleeve labels necessarily used with MCC DNX53™ inking system as meeting or exceeding APR's Sleeve Label Ink and Substrate for PET Bottles Critical Guidance Document requirements and hereby so states. The SK Ecolabel™ film must be clear and of the composition tested. The MCC DNX53™ inking system fully releases from the SK Ecolabel™ sleeve label in washing and does not stain or discolor PET flakes.

A Review Committee, appointed per the APR Recognition Operating Procedures, reviewed your May 27, 2016 data submission and concluded the data were correctly obtained by a qualified laboratory and were completely presented to show the labels submitted meet or exceed all critical guidance.

The Sleeve Label Ink and Substrate for PET Bottles Critical Guidance Document is the product of multi-industry consensus of key issues related to the recycling of postconsumer PET bottles. The Document directs innovators to conduct specific testing per established testing procedures and then provides the innovator with guidance to interpret the results. The APR recognition is based on the innovation meeting or exceeding the most challenging test conditions and strictest guidance criteria.

APR thanks SKC for its cooperation in using this important protocol. The protocol is intended to improve the quality of recycled bottles by helping innovators to make informed decisions about the consequences of PET bottle innovations. The impact of this protocol is beneficial to world-wide recycling efforts.

Our recognition applies only to SKC's SK Ecolabel™ used with MCC DNX53™ inking system and not necessarily to other inking systems or to bottles using the labels as those bottles would need to be tested themselves to demonstrate the system of resin, adjuvants, and closure conformed to the APR Critical Guidance Document. Any other inking system used with the SK Ecolabel™ label would need to be tested. Meeting the Critical Guidance Document guidelines is a truly significant step in demonstrating overall recyclability of your label and decoration system.

Yours truly,

Steve Alexander  
APR Executive Director

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