



PRESS INFORMATION

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Statement issued on behalf of Metal Packaging Manufacturers Association (MPMA) in response to DEFRA announcement of Deposit Return Scheme.

The Metal Packaging Manufacturers Association welcomes any move which reduces the negative impact of packaging on the environment.

MPMA contributed to the initial DEFRA call for evidence relating to DRS, and will engage fully in the planned consultation ahead.

We will also continue to support government and our industry partners on a redesign of the current UK packaging producer responsibility (PRN) system.

The metal packaging sector has an exemplary track record in recycling: aluminium beverage cans were certified as the world's most recycled drinks container at the recent Smithers Pira Sustainability in Packaging Europe Conference; seven out of ten drinks cans sold in the UK are recycled; and 75 per cent of all aluminium ever produced is still in use today.

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About MPMA

The Metal Packaging Manufacturers Association is the lead voice of the UK metal packaging industry with direct links into a European market employing 70,000 people across 200 companies producing more than 70 billion containers each year. The Association supports and represents members on industry matters relating to operational, regulatory and environmental issues.

In addition, the work of the association promotes the benefits of metal packaging and the sustainable attributes of steel and aluminium through education programmes, industry awards and relevant communication channels.

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