

Submission to the inquiry into ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION (BEVERAGE CONTAINER DEPOSIT & RECOVERY SCHEME) BILL 2009

from Friends of Woodlands Historic Park Inc.

We believe it should be made explicit in the legislation that collection depots (other than reverse vending machines) must accept container which are unlabelled, and must accept containers which were sold prior to the introduction of the legislation. This is important to provide an incentive to collect the millions of containers which are already scattered along our roadsides. Obviously this will mean that refunds paid may exceed levies received for an initial period, and this deficit will need to be funded by government.