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Comments in response to request for candidate products for PFAS food packaging AA

Dear Mr. Pentilla,

Toxic-Free Future (TFF) thanks Washington's Department of Ecology for the opportunity to provide input on the scope of Washington's PFAS in food packaging alternatives assessment. We strongly support a broad scope that includes at a minimum food serviceware as well as takeout containers. Attached please find a table of products we have identified in these and other categories. We suggest Ecology evaluate products most likely to meet performance and economic criteria, and where one material is used for multiple applications. According to the law, Ecology must identify safer alternatives, but the agency does not need to inventory or evaluate all available products. The assessment should seek efficiencies to maximize resources and evaluate as many applications as possible.

TFF, in collaboration with Center for Environmental Health and Responsible Purchasing Network, compiled this list of alternatives to PFAS-treated disposable food wrappers and dinnerware/serviceware. Inclusion on the list is based on personal communication with the companies, company websites, and on Center for Environmental Health's testing.

Toxic-Free Future appreciates the opportunity to submit this information, and we look forward to working with the agency to complete this assessment.

Sincerely,

Laurie Valerino, Executive Director

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