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Subject: Footprint PFAS Free Food Service Products

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To: Director Maia Bellon
Cc: Darin Rice, Dept of Ecology, Program Manager, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction
Ken Zarker, Dept. of Ecology, Pollution Prevention Regulatory Assistance Section Manager
Jennifer Hennessey, Senior Policy Advisor, Governor Jay Inslee

Dear Director Bellon:

Washington State has a tremendous opportunity to move the market to safer products with its precedent- setting ban on PFAS in food packaging (70.95G RCW). For 20 years, I was a resident of Redmond/Sammamish from 1995-2015, and our family loved the community and sustainability progressiveness.

Footprint has a clear vision: eliminate single-use and short-term use plastics. Footprint designs, develops and manufactures technologies that are biodegradable, compostable, and recyclable. We make it easy for companies to switch out of plastic to preserve our future. Our molded fiber products are biobased and free from PFAS.

As the agency moves forward to identify safer alternatives so that the ban can take effect in 2022, we urge you to consider the following:

1. The demand is increasing for PFAS-free products. Customers are demanding/specifying products without PFAS as well as products with a better lifecycle that are compostable. WA state should not delay the implementation of the ban as leading manufacturers like Footprint that are already heading in that direction...
2. We have safer alternatives already available today which is 100% reduction in plastic with responsibly sourced materials.
3. Products without PFAS meet the needs of your customers while keeping highly persistent, mobile, and toxic chemicals out of compost and the food supply which perform at the same level or better than their counterparts.

Attached is Footprint's product information including:

- PFAS Free
- BPI Certified Compostable
- 100% Biobased
- US FDA 21 CFR 176.170
- No need to label with CA Prop 65
- Free from toxins

Please let us know if you would like us to send out samples or if you have any questions.

Our products have been tested by CEH and our contact there is Sue Chiang, sue@ceh.org

Thanks,

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