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Dear DWER

I write as an individual but confess to being a Councillor with the City of Bunbury and am also Chair of the Bunbury-Harvey Regional Council.

I fully and absolutely support the Statewide ban of lightweight "shopping" plastic bags. However, I am STRONGLY opposed to non-plastic compostable bags being caught up in this and banned. Compostable Bags (real ones) do not contain any plastic; they are typically made from corn starch or potato starch. If one entered the environment in would break down quickly and if consumed by an animal, would not harm them.

It defies logic that a non-plastic bag can get caught up in a ban of plastic bags. I know DWER is seeking some kind of uniformity in Australia with the regulations but, please, let common sense prevail. We should be encouraging the development and use of compostable bags, they are the future.

Kind regards and best wishes,

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