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Brisbane Powerhouse powers ahead with recycling

Brisbane Powerhouse, Brisbane's leading arts performance venue, is the most recent in an impressive line of Queensland stadia, entertainment and events venues, to take up the away from home recycling challenge and install new recycling systems for the general public.

Funded by the Packaging Stewardship Forum (PSF) of the Australian Food and Grocery Council and Brisbane Powerhouse, 20 new waste and recycling bins have been installed each carrying the call to action to recycle, *Do The Right Thing, Use The Right Bin*.

The new systems will provide away from home recycling opportunities to over 690,000 people annually and divert up to 20 tonnes of recyclables from landfill each year – equivalent to almost 2,800 household wheelie bins!

Brisbane Powerhouse Director Andrew Ross said "Recycling is nothing new in the arts – from ideas to found object artworks, artists are forever turning the old into something new. We invite audiences to contribute towards a greener Australia by using the new recycling systems when they visit us."

General Manager of the PSF, Jenny Pickles congratulated Brisbane Powerhouse on its enthusiasm and commitment to help patrons boost their "away from home" recycling efforts.

"Brisbane Powerhouse was eager to encourage recycling at its venues and we came on board with some expertise on how to do it." Ms Pickles said.

"Through well-placed bin infrastructure and promotion of the *Do the Right Thing, Use the Right Bin* message, the new systems will make it just as easy to recycle away from home as it is at home."

Through the PSF, Australia's major beverage companies have supported the installation of new away from home recycling systems in 59 of Australia's major sporting stadia and entertainment venues, servicing nearly 42.7 million patron visits annually.

Brisbane Powerhouse is one of twenty-four (24) well known Queensland venues participating in the PSF's away from home recycling program, with installations already completed at other Queensland venues (some in partnership with the Queensland Department of Environment and Resource Management). The other 23 venues are Dairy Farmers Stadium, Skilled Park, The Gabba, Suncorp Stadium, Ballymore Stadium, Metricon Stadium, Virgin Australian Stadium Mackay, Cazalys Stadium, Stockland Park Precinct, Queensland Sport & Athletic Centre, Brisbane Racing Club, WetNWild Waterworld, Movie World, Dreamworld, Seaworld, Currumbin Bird and Wildlife Sanctuary, Surf Life Saving Sunshine Coast, Cairns Convention Centre, Gold Coast Convention Centre, Brisbane Entertainment Centre, Brisbane Exhibition and Convention Centre, Blue Lagoon Entertainment Centre and Mackay Exhibition and Convention Centre.

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The PSF is a forum of the Australian Food and Grocery Council. It works with government and industry partners across Australia to deliver recycling, litter reduction and education programs on behalf of its members, Australia's major beverage companies and their packaging suppliers. The *Do the Right Thing Use the Right Bin* call to action was developed jointly by the PSF and the Queensland Department of Environment and Resource Management and supported by the Australian Packaging Covenant.