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To: [EPD, Customer Services](#)
Subject: Submission Against Materials Recovery Facility Fyshwick, Section 8, Blocks 9 & 11 Capital Recycling Solutions
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To whom this may concern,

I have been engaged in small business in Canberra since 1991 as an antique and art dealer & valuer. I am a certified valuer member of the Auctioneers and Valuers Association of Australia and was [REDACTED] in Sydney. During my time in Sydney I became very aware of the shortcomings of Canberra's planning model, in particular the lack of habitat provided for small and medium sized private business.

Since my return to Canberra I have welcomed the rejuvenation of Fyshwick from the place we went for building materials when I was a boy, to the thriving hub of small businesses that have 'upcycled' relatively affordable warehouse space. Much of my work is centred in Fyshwick, between antiques retailers and auction houses.

I am concerned the waste recycling proposal will cause injury to business in the area and there are scantily few options in Canberra to be accommodated elsewhere. Many big cities of the world have been through a gentrification of their warehouse and packing districts, and now these areas are flagged as major centres for diversity, they are melting-pots for creative business, with cafes and eateries to serve the many visitors.

I very much doubt New York would approve a new waste management facility in their Meat Packing District, or Sydney create a similar thing in the ever evolving Alexandria. Please consider that Fyshwick is Canberra's only equivalent, and take the garbage trucks and thunderous noise elsewhere. Allow small and creative business to continue to flourish in Fyshwick's 'post' industrial evolution, and don't send it backwards with a congestion of loud trucks, odour, and an infusion of industrial agitation.

Sincerely

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