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To: Our Valued Australian Customer

Subject: Declaration on Safe Treatment of the product at end-of-life

In alignment with the Green Star sustainability framework, we are committed to ensuring the safe and environmentally responsible end-of-life treatment of our cable products delivered to Australian customers.

1. Green Star Certification and Compliance

- **Responsible Sourcing and Production:** Our PVC cables supplied to Australian customers are designed and certified under Green Star's rigorous criteria, which evaluate environmental impact across the entire production cycle—from raw material extraction to disposal.
- **Carbon Footprint Management:** We implement carbon footprint tracking and reduction strategies, ensuring compliance with Australia's Carbon Pollution Reduction Plan and Green Star's low-carbon objectives.
- **Hazardous Substance Management:** We adhere to regulations like RoHS, where applicable, restricting the use of hazardous materials in cable production to protect human health and the environment.

2. Collaboration with Customers and Stakeholders

- **Take-Back Programs:** We encourage customers to participate in cable take-back initiatives, ensuring proper end-of-life management and resource recovery in compliance with Green Star's criteria. Belden has collaborated with local Australian recycler **JR Hammer** to strive for keeping the planet free from senseless landfill. Customers could contact **Product Compliance Team** (product.compliance@belden.com) to recycle the PVC products.





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3. End-of-Life Recycling and Disposal Practices

- **Mechanical Recycling:** End-of-life cables undergo automated sorting and separation processes to recover metals (e.g., copper) and plastics (e.g., PVC). This method minimizes environmental impact and aligns with Green Star's waste management protocols.
- **Controlled Disposal:** Belden could be responsible for taking products back at the end of the product's in-use phase for some form of recycling or reuse upon discussion and agreement with the customer. Do not discard cables directly into ordinary dustbins. Instead, they must be delivered to designated recycling points to avoid environmental pollution. Please collect and ship any PVC covered cables within Australia that are required to be removed to comply with Green Star PVC Best Environmental Practice.
- **Caution:** When handling cables with metal shielding layers, wear protective gloves to prevent scratches.

For further information or support, please contact our Product Compliance Team
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We appreciate your understanding and thank you for your continuing partnership and support.

Regards

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