To whom it may concern

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Consultation concerning the proposed new criteria for Cosmetics

Dear Madam/Sir,

Nordic Ecolabelling hereby gives you the possibility to comment on the proposal for Cosmetic products requirements. Your comments are important when the proposal will be discussed in the Norwegian Ecolabelling Board and subsequently in the Nordic Ecolabelling Board.

Ecolabelling Norway kindly asks for your comments no later than 18th of March 2016. Until then, comments can be sent to post@svanemerket.no. Vivian Grønhaug Ottemo, vgo@svanemerket.no will be the Norwegian contact person. You will find the proposal on our website under "News/Environmental and public consultations" (Aktuelt/Miljøkrav og høringsaker)

The most important changes compared to version 2 are

- New requirement on sustainable renewable raw materials (O3)
- New substances on the list of prohibited substances, including UV-filter in nano form (O5)
- Restriction on phenoxyethanol in children's products (O13)
- Restriction on aluminium in leave-on products (O16)
- The requirement for quantity of packaging has been tightened significantly (O26)
- New requirement on residual amount of the product in the container after use, especially in regard to leave on products (O29)

In addition to the above mentioned we would also like your comments on following matters

- Emollients are no longer exempted in the requirement for surfactants (O6)
- Calculations based on doses instead of active ingredients is now possible for only foam soaps and DID list 2014 can be used as an alternative to the list dated 2007 (O18 and O19)
- The requirement on marketing claims is changed (O33)
- In the requirement for wet wipes (O24) it is referenced to the hygiene products criteria document that is also on public hearing (version 6.0) and the use of paper product criteria is no longer possible.

When the consultation period is over and the requirements have been adopted by the Nordic Ecolabelling Board, a consultation compilation containing all comments and Nordic Ecolabellings's comments to these, will be published on Ecolabelling Norways's website.

We look forward to receiving your comments no later than 18 March 2016.

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Hearing seminars
Nordic Ecolabelling organises hearing seminars during the hearing period. You are welcome to attend these. Dates of the seminars are

Sweden: February 17th
Denmark: March 4th

We look forward hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,
Ecolabelling Norway



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