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**SUBJECT: REVIEW OF THE PACIFIC REGIONAL WASTE AND POLLUTION
MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (CLEANER PACIFIC 2025)**

Dear SPREP counterparts and partners,

The *Cleaner Pacific 2025* provides a comprehensive blueprint to improve the management of waste and pollution from 2016 - 2025. Developed in full consultation with you all, it captures the waste and pollution management priorities of our region. The strategy is focused around four strategic goals: prevention of the generation of wastes and pollution, recovery of resources, improvement of residuals, and monitoring of the receiving environment. The Cleaner Pacific 2025 is supported by an implementation plan (2016-2019).

SPREP, with funding assistance from UNEP, are now undertaking a mid-term review of the Cleaner Pacific 2025, to assess progress towards achieving the aims of the strategy, and to develop a new implementation plan.

Since the SPREP, JICA and Pacific island countries and territories are jointly responsible for the delivery of the Cleaner Pacific 2025, contributions will be sought from all parties to enable a comprehensive mid-term review.

It is with great pleasure to introduce **Dr. Melanie Bradley** whom SPREP has engaged to undertake this mid-term review and the development of the new Implementation Plan 2021 to 2025.

Dr. Bradley is an Independent Consultant who previously worked as Environmental Planning Officer (EPO) at SPREP for over three years. While working as EPO, Dr. Bradley authored the Pacific Regional Environmental Impact Assessment Guidelines and delivered successful EIA training workshops around the region. She also supported the National Environmental Management Strategy planning and State of Environment reporting for member countries.

Dr. Bradley will first undertake a desktop review of all available information to assess progress. She will then be in contact with each of you to validate and update the information. The consultation period for this work will occur between the **8th to the 22nd of June 2020**.

For further information, please contact the Waste Management and Pollution Control Programme, through our Solid Waste Management Adviser, Ma Bella Guinto, bellag@sprep.org.

Sincerely yours,



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