



Dear (name of Editor),

I am contacting you as an engaged citizen to express my concerns about the impacts of single-use plastic and polystyrene foam production and consumption in our *community/state/USA*.

Did you know?

- 360 million tons of plastic and polystyrene foam are produced each year. 40% is used for packaging and most are single-use plastic.
- There are 3.6 billion egg cartons produced each year in North America, and approximately half of them are still made from plastic or polystyrene foam.
- It is expected that plastic and polystyrene foam production will continue to increase, likely doubling by 2025.
- Only 9% of plastic and polystyrene foam is recycled and 12% is burned.
- 79% of plastic and polystyrene foam sticks around in landfills and takes 1,000 years to decompose.
- 8 million tons of plastic and polystyrene foam, including plastic egg cartons, end up in the oceans and get swept out into plastic islands.
- Plastic and polystyrene foam in our ocean effects 1400 marine species and the food you eat. Fish, which are caught by fishermen, eat microplastics. You end up eating your own plastic trash, which has dangerous effects on hormonal health and can even cause cancer.

I am writing to you to consider switching to moulded fibre packaging for your products. Moulded fibre packaging is very beneficial:

- Moulded Fibre packaging is 100% compostable, 100% biodegradable, and 100% recyclable, meaning that it returns to the ecological cycle. It can be reused, recycled, composted or incinerated with energy recovery, which are sustainable ways of disposal.

Thank you for considering this request. If you would like to learn more about moulded fibre packaging, please visit ditchplasticpackaging.com

Thank you,
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