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Recyclers look forward to a more ambitious Circular Economy Package

PRE regrets the delay announced today for the EU's Circular Economy Package. The European Commission unveiled its 2015 Work Programme today, during the European Parliament's plenary session in Strasbourg, which withdraws the circular economy proposal.

"Today is an unfortunate day for sustainable growth in Europe." said Ton Emans, PRE President. Emans added "A direct implementation of the Circular Economy would have enabled the creation of 120,000 jobs only in plastics recycling."

Despite this delayed legislation Ton Emans said *"We look forward to the "more ambitious Circular Package" announced by Vice-President Timmermans today. The Commission must keep its word to make this revised proposal in a speedy manner. As underlined in the Commission's Green paper on plastic waste, increased recycling in Europe will lead to a more sustainable and circular economy."*

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About Plastics Recyclers Europe

Plastics Recyclers Europe is the professional representative body of plastics recyclers in Europe. PRE promotes plastics mechanical recycling and conditions that enable profitable and sustainable business, while offering a service platform to its members. Our members constitute 80% of the European recycling capacity, processing more than 3 million tonnes of collected plastics per year.

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