Just following up on our conversation yesterday re the above.

According to the Austrian packaging compliance scheme ARA, the EU is being prescriptive for the first time stating that the 90% target for plastic must be by separate collection. Heretofore the EU set targets and it was up to each Member State to decide on the appropriate collection system, that does not appear to be the case here with the separate collection target of 90%.

There is a concern that if plastic is collected by other means and not by separate collection that it will not count towards the 90% target. A less prescriptive, modified definition that allows PET bottles sorted from MWS or clean-up programmes to count towards the 90% collection target might be more appropriate. This would give Member States more flexibility to determine the collection system best suited to their circumstances.

Regards,

Tony