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MEDIA RELEASE

QUILPIE HOME TO NEW CONTAINER REFUND POINT

Residents have demonstrated what avid recyclers they are, returning more than 26,000 containers to their new container refund point in its opening weekend.

Operated by Halliebec Towing & Contracting, the Chipu Street over-the-counter depot provides container refunds to the community—10 cents for every eligible container as part of the Containers for Change scheme.

Owner Rebecca Thompson said she was proud of the response they received from the community.

“It’s early days but the response we received when we opened was astounding,” said Ms Thompson.

“We received more than 26,000 containers, which we counted by hand. That’s 26,000 containers that have been diverted from landfill, and our beautiful countryside.

“For the local community that’s more than \$2600 that’s been returned to individuals, families and community groups, and I can’t wait to see that number grow.”

Customers can receive refunds for eligible containers via EFT if they have registered for a scheme ID on the Containers for Change website.

Customers can donate their refund to community groups, including sporting clubs, schools and registered charities by quoting the group’s scheme ID when they return their containers.

Lids should be removed from the containers.

Halliebec Towing & Contracting’s Containers for Change depot is at 41 Chipu Street, Quilpie and is open Tuesdays, from 4.30 pm to 6 pm. Drop-offs outside of operating hours are available by appointment.

For more information on Containers for Change, or to register for a scheme ID visit www.containersforchange.com.au.