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**Cardia Bioplastics wins contract to supply Cardia Compostable resin to USA's EcNow Tech for disposable compostable cutlery application**



Cardia Bioplastics Limited is pleased to announce that it has executed a supply agreement with EcNow Tech of USA. Cardia delivered initial orders with annual supply projections of \$400,000 for its compostable resin used in EcNow Tech's production of disposable compostable cutlery and ice cream sticks.

Cardia Bioplastics and EcNow Tech established a strong relationship in the development, testing and validation of So Delicious® Dairy Free's new compostable ice cream sticks. Throughout the validation process, EcNow Tech recognised Cardia's high quality compostable resin, which EcNow Tech will use to manufacture disposable compostable cutlery for the food services industry.

Please find attached the media release.

**Richard Tegoni**

Chairman

Cardia Bioplastics Limited

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- Initial orders delivered with annual supply projections of \$400,000
- EcNow Tech to use Cardia Compostable resin to manufacture disposable compostable cutlery and ice cream sticks
- Cardia Compostable BM resin validated as a quality food service product offering



*Cardia Compostable Resin used to manufacture disposable compostable cutlery*

Cardia Bioplastics Limited is pleased to announce that USA's EcNow Tech has placed initial orders of Cardia Compostable resin for the manufacture of disposable compostable cutlery.

EcNow Tech is a developer of innovative products based on plant based, recycled and non-toxic materials. Specialising in designing, developing and manufacturing compostable, plant based food service items, EcNow Tech provides food service products to restaurants, events and businesses, ensuring that as many products as possible are collected for composting. EcNow Tech is also the manufacturer of So Delicious® Dairy Free innovative compostable ice cream sticks, which are made from Cardia Compostable resin.

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Chris Vitello, EcNow Tech President said, "With our focus on designing, developing and manufacturing cutting edge compostable food service quality products, we require resins that deliver. Cardia Compostable resin

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has proven to deliver superior quality, in both the manufacturing process, product performance and compostability, making it a perfect choice for our disposable compostable cutlery range.”

James Beck, Cardia Bioplastics North America Managing Director stated, “Through the development of the So Delicious® Dairy Free compostable ice cream sticks we have developed a strong relationship with EcNow Tech and we look forward to cementing this further.” James continues, “We have seen real traction for certified compostable products in the US Market, particularly on the West Coast where consumer demand is driving momentum.”

Cardia Bioplastics Global Managing Director, Dr Frank Glatz adds, “This really is a year of major change. We are experiencing a global shift in demand for our bioplastics, certified compostable and Biohybrid™, with orders flowing in from Asia, North America, South America and Australasia.”

### **About EcNow Tech**

EcNow Tech is a developer of innovative products based on plant based, recycled and non-toxic materials. Parent company of the Earth Smart Store, home for green building, home and compostable food service products, EcNow Tech provides compostable (plant based) food service products to restaurants, events and businesses and ensures as many products as possible are collected for composting. In 2010, EcNow Tech facilitated the composting of over 30 tons of waste which would have landed in land fill. EcNow Tech specialises in the design, development and manufacturing of innovative packaging solutions for customers, high volume manufacturing, materials development and selection, composting technology and development. For further information please visit [www.ecnowtech.com](http://www.ecnowtech.com).

### **About Cardia Bioplastics**

Cardia Bioplastics Limited (ASX: CNN) is an Australian developer and manufacturer of sustainable resins, films, bags and custom finished products derived from renewable resources for the global packaging and plastic products industries. Cardia holds a strong patent portfolio of sustainable resin technologies. Established in 2002 with its main headquarters in Melbourne, Australia, Cardia also has offices in USA, Brazil, Malaysia and China. Cardia’s Product Development Centre and manufacturing plant is in Nanjing, China.

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