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**Re: Input on the MED-Project Product Stewardship Plan for Covered Drugs from Households, dated May 19, 2025**

Dear Mr. Lee:

The Pharmaceutical Product Stewardship Work Group (“PPSWG”) is a membership association with over 620 members and affiliated companies that produce a broad spectrum of pharmaceutical products. PPSWG submits these comments on the Product Stewardship Plan for Covered Drugs from Households, dated May 19, 2025, (the “Plan”) submitted to the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (the “Department”). PPSWG thanks you for considering these comments.

PPSWG strongly supports approval of the Plan and MED-Project’s Additional Services Proposal dated May 19, 2025 (“Variance Request”).

MED-Project has extensive experience in operating drug take-back plans in states, counties, and cities across the country. In Oregon, MED-Project has collected over 238,000 pounds of unwanted medicine since 2021. And during that time, MED-Projects extensive outreach and education program has generated over 38 million impressions to the residents of Oregon.

MED-Project’s Plan and Variance Request are consistent with the Oregon Drug Take-Back Program law, would continue the strong level of service provided to Oregon residents, and are deserving of the Department’s approval.

Respectfully submitted,

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