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CHANGES TO OPERATION OF REUSABLES FACILITIES

The ACT Government advises residents of changes to the operation of the reusables facility at the Mugga Lane Resource Management Centre.

This follows Aussie Junk being placed in liquidation earlier today following a meeting of their creditors. The reusables facility at the Mugga Lane Resource Management Centre will temporarily close from today until further notice. It is anticipated that the facility will open for the acceptance of goods in the near future.

“A public tender process will commence shortly to engage an operator for the Mugga Lane facility. It is anticipated that a new operator to accept and resell goods should be in the facility within three months,” said Chris Ware, Manager of ACT NOWaste.

“People will still be able to deposit reusable items at the Mitchell Resource Management Centre as Thiess Services, which has previously sub-contracted to Aussie Junk, transitions to take over management of this facility.”

Members of the public are encouraged to drop-off their reusables at the Mitchell facility or to one of the charities or businesses that accept second-hand goods for recycling or resale. Details of some of those organisations can be found in the Yellow Pages and on the Department of Territory and Municipal Services' website www.tams.act.gov.au/live/Recycling_and_Waste/Recycling_Options_in_the_ACT

Aussie Junk voluntarily appointed an Administrator on 26 June 2009, with the appointment ratified by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission on 30 June. Following decisions taken at today's meeting of creditors Aussie Junk Pty Ltd has been placed in liquidation.

Statement ends

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