

Media release

Detpak launches *I am eco*™

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Global food services packaging company, Detpak has taken its environmental packaging range to a new level with the launch of a new brand called *I am eco*™.

Detmold Group Marketing Manager, Shane Fuller said: "In a New Zealand first, this new range includes use of a unique bagasse sugarcane board material formed into food pails by our manufacturing plant. Popular quick service restaurant Nando's is already using the new material in Australia with great success and has very recently introduced it to their New Zealand operations."

Bagasse sugarcane board is a new sustainable product and is available as a direct result of Detmold Group's commitment to investigate and trial alternative renewable materials. Not only is it made from 100% recycled content but it is converted into solid board sheets for effective printing and the sheeting can be transported more efficiently, thus saving energy and carbon emissions.

Mr Fuller said: "The introduction of *I am eco*™ now means Detpak, Detmold Group's specialist division for the food service industry, offers a large range of environmental packaging that is biodegradable and compostable (in commercial composting facilities).

"All 52 items in the *I am eco*™ collection are made exclusively from plants, a renewable resource. These include sugarcane, corn and trees. Put simply, the *I am eco*™ range is 'made from nature'. Items such as the Detpak's original ripple wrap cup are now available in the *I am eco*™ range and we have introduced a suite of new products including smooth double wall hot cups, plates, bowls, lunch boxes and pails that are available in numerous sizes.

"Customers can now attain a wide range of eco products from Detpak as well as secure traditional products, making Detpak a one stop shop for all packaging needs. Our reputation for quality is what sets us apart as well as our expertise in custom printing on many products in the range."

Recent research indicates that hospitality businesses are trending to environmental packaging and this is due to an increase in the demand from the end customers and also reflects businesses creating a point of difference in the market place.

Mr Fuller said: "The *I am eco*™ range will appeal to cafes, coffee roasters, caterers and festival events. All the hard work is done. No need to think about what will happen with the packaging after use as we've taken care to make the new range fully biodegradable."

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About Detmold

Australian owned and operated, global packaging company, Detmold Group is committed to sustainable manufacturing in the supply of specialised packaging products to the FMCG, industrial, foodservice, retail and medical markets.

Focusing on its core capability of paper and board products, the Group consists of five companies: Detpak, Detmold Consumer Goods Packaging, Paper-Pak, Detmold Packaging and Detmold Specialty Packaging.

Detmold was established in 1948 and currently employs over 2,500 people globally. Head-quartered in South Australia, Detmold has 18 offices around the world and manufacturing operations in five countries.

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