

# Polystyrene recycling programmes commence in SA

**P**OLYSTYRENE recycling programmes have recently been established in Gauteng and Cape Town, and will soon start in KwaZulu Natal as well. Wire cages and bags are being placed at the Pikit Up drop off site to collect plastics for recycling.

'Polystyrene recyclers need to ensure that it is clean and free of plastic film, loose parts or glued-on cardboard,' says a company spokesperson. 'You can also contact the Polystyrene Packaging Council (PSPC) directly as large volumes can also be collected. Also feel free to contact us if you have a community project or recycling effort running, and would like to take part in our polystyrene recycling drive. Please contact us for a detailed list of pick-up sites.'

Polystyrene is found in homes, offices, local grocery stores and favourite restaurants. It comes in many shapes and forms - from foam egg cartons to salad boxes, from coffee cups to CD 'jewel boxes' and from produce trays to 'peanuts' used in packing, and the lightweight foam pieces that cushion new appliances and electronics.

