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Dear Sirs

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Yours faithfully

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## Rexam welcomes EU Commission ruling against conditions of German deposit implementation

**The EU Commission has formally concluded that the conditions surrounding the implementation by Germany of a deposit on one-way beverage packaging introduced in January 2003 are contrary to the EU Packaging Directive, as well as the Treaty rules on the fre**

As a consequence, it has sent Germany a formal request to change the rules in its packaging laws.

Although the request has no suspensive effect, Germany could be summoned before the European Court of Justice if it does not adopt the necessary measures within two months.

Commenting on the Commission's announcement, Rolf Börjesson, Rexam's Chief Executive, said: "We regard this as a positive step towards the resolution of the situation in Germany. It must now be in the interest of all parties to work towards the immediate establishment of a national solution that promotes free trade and allows German consumers greater freedom of choice in packaging and products."