



WHEREAS: Plastics, with a lifecycle social cost at least [ten times higher](#) than its market price, actively threaten the world's oceans, wildlife, and public health. Concern about the [growing scale and impact](#) of global plastic pollution has elevated the issue to crisis levels. Of particular concern are [single-use plastics \(SUPs\)](#) which make up the largest component of the [11 million metric tons of plastic](#) ending up in waterways annually. Without drastic action, this amount could [triple by 2040](#).

In response to the plastic pollution crisis, [countries](#) and [major packaging brands](#) are beginning to drive reductions in virgin plastic use.

Several studies demonstrate that a [shift away from virgin plastic production](#) is critical to curbing the flow of plastic into oceans. One of the most robust pathways is presented in the widely respected [Breaking the Plastic Wave](#) report, which finds that plastic leakage into the ocean can feasibly be reduced 80 percent under its [System Change Scenario \(SCS\)](#), which is based on a global shift to recycled plastics (almost tripling demand for recycled content) coupled with a one-third absolute reduction of virgin demand (mostly of virgin SUPs).

The future under the SCS – one built on recycled plastics and circular business models – looks drastically different than today's linear take-make-waste production model and would peak virgin plastic demand globally before 2030.

Chevron Phillips Chemical Company (CPChem), jointly owned by Phillips 66 and Chevron, is a [major producer of virgin plastics](#). CPChem is estimated to be the [15th largest global producer of SUP-bound polymers](#) with 1.8 million metric tons produced in 2019, an estimated 42 percent of its total production. While CPChem has made [significant investments into circular polymers](#), and states a goal to “not only end post-consumer plastic waste, but also [keep plastic where it belongs](#),” its core business model of producing virgin plastics (especially SUPs) from fossil fuels is rapidly expanding. As a partial owner of CPChem, Phillips 66 faces growing risk from CPChem's continued [investment in virgin plastic production infrastructure](#).

BE IT RESOLVED: With board oversight, shareholders request that Phillip 66 prepare a report (at reasonable cost and omitting proprietary information) describing how the Company could shift its plastic resin business model from virgin to recycled polymer production as a means of reducing plastic pollution of the oceans.



SUPPORTING STATEMENT: Proponents suggest, at Company discretion, the analysis include:

- Quantification (in tons and/or as a percentage of total production) of the company's polymer production for SUP markets
- An assessment of the resilience of the company's portfolio of petrochemical assets under virgin to recycled transition scenarios of five and ten years, and the financial risks associated with such scenarios
- The benefits of such a shift in terms of plastic pollution avoided
- Any risks or benefits to the Company's finances or operations