Gerry Wood, the Independent Member for Nelson, says that while he is pleased the NT Government is ready to take on Coke to stop their challenge to cash for containers legislation, he says it’s difficult to believe that the CLP (once called the Coke Lovers Party) who constantly knocked the idea have now done a u-turn.

Gerry said that when the Chief Minister says ‘My Government supports the scheme and I know that Territory families now utilise it daily as a means of reward based recycling’ he has to pinch himself to see if this is the same person who knocked the scheme when in opposition.

Gerry said perhaps if the CLP had joined with the Government and the Independent to show unified support for the Cash for Containers when it was introduced into Parliament, then maybe Coke would have had second thoughts about taking the NT to court.

But he says it is still good the Government is taking on Coke. He says it is very sad that Coke who makes a fortune out of the NT only worries about profits and its shareholders.

Its care factor for the environment, recycling and Territorians = 0.