

To: our stakeholders:

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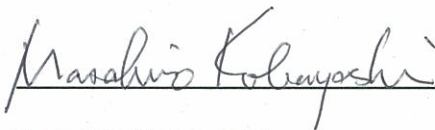
Grace Letter

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the UN Global Compact is the annual preparation and posting of a Communication on Progress (COP) that comprises of a statement of continued support for the UN Global Compact, a description of practical actions with regard to the principles of the UN Global Compact, and a measurement of outcomes or expected outcomes.

Sustainability Report for 2013 is planned to be finalized and released at the end of August, 2013.

We hereby ask for an extension period in order to be able to post a COP that describes our company's efforts and progress to implement the principles of the UN Global Compact. Our new COP report will be posted on the UN Global Compact website by 30 September, 2013 at the latest.

Sincerely yours,



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