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H.E. Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General
United Nations
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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

As a leading design software company, Autodesk has a unique opportunity to inspire and enable our customers to enhance the environmental performance of their products and projects. We also focus on demonstrating leadership within our own operations by setting aggressive targets and managing innovative programs to achieve them.

We strive to ensure ethical business practices and provide a dynamic and engaging workplace for our employees. Beyond our company walls, we also seek to enrich the communities where we live and work and expand opportunities to people worldwide through our products.

I am pleased to confirm that Autodesk supports the ten principles of the Global Compact with respect to human rights, labor, environment and anticorruption. With this communication, we express our intent to advance those principles within our company. We are committed to making the Global Compact and its principles part of our operations, and to engage in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Millennium Development Goals. Autodesk will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the annual submission of a Communication on Progress (COP) that describes our company's efforts to implement the ten principles. We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress within *one year* of joining the Global Compact, and *annually* thereafter according to the Global Compact COP policy.

Sincerely,



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