

To the kind attention of UN Global Compact Office United Nations New York, NY 10017 USA May 31, 2011

## Request for grace period for COP reporting

Dear Sir or Madam,

Please accept this letter as Alpro Comm VA's formal request for a 90-day grace period for the Communication on Progress (COP) submission which was originally due on June 1, 2011.

Alpro Comm VA recognizes that a key requirement for participation in the UN Global Compact is the annual preparation and posting of the Communication on Progress (COP) that is comprised 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.

We have started our COP but could not complete it on time due to lack of experience in producing this first COP submission, which has significantly demanded more time to collect necessary data from all involved departments than initially anticipated.

We apologize most sincerely for this delay and would, therefore, respectfully request a grace period in order to prepare a COP that fully describes the efforts and progress we have made in implementing the ten principles of the Global Compact.

Our first COP report will be posted on the UN Global Compact website no later than September 1, 2011.

Sincerely yours,

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