Dear COP team,

Through this letter I like to request a grace period to allow us to delay the next COP till the week commencing April 6 in 2012. The reason for this request is that we like to integrate the COP reporting in our next 2011 Sustainability report, which will be published in that week.

In the GRI based report a table will be included with reference to pages where the UN GC principles are covered.

Thanks in advance for considering this request.

Regards, Koos

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