

Corporate Affairs

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Dear Stakeholders,

As a signator of the UN Global Compact, the sanofi-aventis Group is committed to its ten principles by integrating them into our Sustainable Development activities. We respect the legal and cultural environment of the countries in which we operate. We have defined policies that relate to important issues within our business operations. Our 2006 Sustainable Development Report provides many examples of how we continually meet the spirit and intent of the Global Compact. Here are a few of them:

Our Code of Ethics and Social Charter were developed based on the UN Global Compact Principles. Our European and French Works Councils assure that open dialogues are maintained between employees and management.

Sanofi-aventis is pursuing its responsibilities for the disabled by internationally implementing the Mission Handicap which was originally begun in France. This initiative provides support and awareness-raising among employees for the disabled. We also successfully completed the Web Accessibility initiative, which grants the disabled access to Internet information. The sanofi-aventis Group Internet obtained the official "AA" W3C label. Other websites such as that for sanofi pasteur are being modified to meet the same requirements.

In support of the GC Principles and our Sustainable Development activities, our Corporate Purchasing function has developed a Supplier Code of Conduct. The Code was finalized and will be implemented this year. This Code also supports our supplier evaluation interview program that was developed in 2006, whereby purchasing manager's work with our suppliers to determine their sustainable development practices. This includes raw material suppliers as well as those for promotional items (particularly in China and India). Third party auditors assess supplier social and environmental practices. Based on these audits, improvement plans may be developed and discussed with the supplier.

Sanofi-aventis is committed to safeguarding and protecting employee health and safety as well as the environment. Our Group has strong programs in these areas and strives for continuous improvement. We are increasing activities in biodiversity by asking each of our sites to implement and initiative promoting biodiversity by 2009. This year, we will develop a more comprehensive inventory of our natural extracts used within R&D to better track their use. We continue to participate in research regarding pharmaceuticals in the environment (PIE) conducted by the pharmaceutical industry especially through the activities of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA).

The entire sanofi-aventis Group maintains its commitment to the UN Global Compact principles as well as our Sustainable Development activities by continuing to integrate them into the way that we do business. In fully supporting the UN Global Compact we are demonstrating our responsibility to our role in protecting Human Rights, abiding by core labor standards, freedom of association, child and forced labor, anti-discrimination and environmental protection.

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