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To our stakeholders:

The University of Melbourne (University) recognises that a key requirement for participation in the UN Global Compact is the annual preparation and posting of a Communication on Engagement (COE) that comprises a statement of continued support for the UN Global Compact from the Vice-Chancellor, a description of practical actions in support of the UN Global Compact, and a measurement of outcomes or expected outcomes.

The University is currently preparing for release its inaugural Sustainability Report for 2015. This involves the application of GRI reporting for COE for the first time at the University. This report follows on from the development of and public consultation on the University's Sustainability Charter that was published in March 2016 and the process underway for the development of the University's Sustainability Plan 2016-2020 for release in the third quarter of this year. These significant developments have unfortunately resulted in a delay in the finalisation and publication of the Sustainability Report/COE.

The University therefore requests an extension period in order to be able to post a Sustainability Report/COE that properly and accurately describes the University's efforts and progress in support of the UN Global Compact. Our Sustainability Report/COE will be posted on the UN Global Compact website by 30 June 2016 at the latest.

Yours sincerely,



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