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To our stakeholders,

We recognise that a key requirement for participation in the UN Global Compact is the annual preparation and posting of a Communication of Progress (COP) that comprises of a statement of continued support for the UN Global Compact, a description of practical actions with regards to the principles of the UN Global Compact, and a measurement of outcomes or expected outcomes.

We are late in creating, sharing and posting our COP report due to the reorganisation and change of roles and responsibilities that recently took place in our company.

We hereby ask for an extension period in order to be able to post a COP that describes our company's efforts and progress to implement the principles of the UN Global Compact. Our new COP will be posted on the UN Global Compact website by January 27, 2017, at the latest.

Sincerely yours,

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