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Ms Alice Cope
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By email: secretariat@unglobalcompact.org.au

Dear Ms Cope

On behalf of Griffith University, I am pleased to reaffirm our commitment and support for the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) to encourage sustainable organisational practices. Griffith University participates in the activities of the UN Global Compact through the Global Compact Network Australia.

Griffith University has been committed to the principles of sustainability since our foundation over forty years ago. Sustainability is one of five high level goals in the Griffith Strategic Plan 2013-2017. To support this goal, a Sustainability Plan was approved on 5 December 2012 by the University Council, incorporating economic, environmental and corporate social responsibility in our teaching programs, research activities, community engagement and operational practices. A revised Plan will take the commitment forward to 2020 and beyond.

A comprehensive Carbon Management Plan has also been developed so that there is a consistent and measurable effort to reduce our carbon footprint over the long term.

This Report provides an overview of the strategies that have been implemented, the progress we are making to advance our sustainability commitment and our engagement with the wider community on these important goals. The Report covers the period 2013-2015 and the University will review its activities on a bi-annual basis. We would welcome any comments about this Report.

Yours sincerely



Ian O'Connor
Vice Chancellor and President