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To our stakeholders

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Communication on Progress – Grace Period

Dear Sir and Madam,

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the UN Global Compact is the annual preparation and posting of a Communication on Progress (COP) that comprises of a CEO statement of continued support for the UN Global Compact, a description of practical actions with regard 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, which will be included in our sustainability report using the GRI G4 guidelines, due to a change of responsibilities of acting persons and as a result, delay in accompanying consultation processes.

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 report will be posted on the UN Global Compact website by August 31th, 2017 at the latest.

Sincerely,


Gabriele Bödeker


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