

June 14th, 2017

To our stakeholders:

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the UN Global Compact is the annual preparation and posting of the 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 principle 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 fact that we are still in the process of closing and assessing an impact of a 2016-2017 GSC 3SAwards program (Awards in Sustainable and Socially Responsible Sourcing), that will be referenced in the COP. The full closing is expected by the end of June 2017.

We hereby ask for an extension period in order to be able to post a COP that describes our company's effort 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 July 31st, 2017.

Sincerely yours,

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