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H.E. António Guterres
Secretary-General
United Nations
New York, NY 10017
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Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that The Energy and Resources Institute supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption. With this commitment, we express our intent to support the Global Compact advancing these principles, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

We also pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following way(s):

- **Creating Innovative Solutions for a Sustainable Future:** TERI has successfully undertaken a project in Kuwait to clean oil spill degraded soil with the help of its patented technology by the name of 'Oilzapper' which helps in reclaiming the oil spill degraded land due to Gulf War in Kuwait during 1990-91. This technology is already in use in India and can be easily replicated elsewhere.
- **Tackle issues of concern to Indian society, and the world at large, and develop innovative and cost effective solutions:** TERI also expanded and consolidated various other initiatives that involve scaling up of innovations, such as its major campaign on Lighting a Billion Lives. In this activity TERI expanded its methodology and experience of a solar charging station in every village, which is not connected to the grid, by providing each village with clean and reliable lighting solution which could help in saving environment by encouraging villagers to adopt solar technologies for illumination and other purposes. This initiative could slow the pace of global warming by the use of clean technologies which would not only benefit India but also the World as a whole.
- **Enhance networking for sustainable interventions:** TERI is closely involved with several national, international organizations, corporate and government bodies in several projects in the field of energy and environment.

- **Realize potential for national and international leadership as a knowledge based agent of change in the fields of energy, environment, other natural resources and sustainable development:** TERI has organized several workshops, conferences and seminars attended by national and international stakeholders, policy makers, general public, academia and policy makers where they were sensitized on the issue of environment, sustainable development and climate changes. A major event out of several that TERI organizes as is its flagship event entitled 'World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS)' which is very reputed and well attended event organized regularly once in a two years.
- **Inspire and reach out to diverse stakeholders for realizing a shared vision of global sustainable development that could be translated into action:** From its inception TERI has been involved with diverse stakeholders from the bottom to the top of the pyramid in devising solutions to the burning problems of today such as global warming and climate change.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the submission of a Communication on Engagement (COE) that describes our organization's efforts to support the implementation of the ten principles and to engage with the Global Compact. We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress within two years of joining the Global Compact and every two years thereafter according to the Global Compact COE policy.

Sincerely yours,


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