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To our stakeholders:

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 due to the current Covid-19 pandemic and the mass surge in postal volumes across Ireland and worldwide. As the national postal service in Ireland the new uptake in demand for our services while welcome, has also put strain on all of our resources. We have a high commitment to the UN Global Compact COP reporting system and want to ensure that the report is completed with the utmost care and attention it deserves.

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 within the next 90 days at the latest.

Sincerely yours,

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