

STATE OF MARANHÃO STATE SECRETARIAT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND POPULAR PARTICIPATION

March 10th, 2021.

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 COVID-19 crisis, which has strongly affected the State of Maranhão and made us redirect our human and personal resources to overcome this unique moment in our history, compromising some previously planned results; this does not, however, affect our commitment to the Global Compact, with its principles and objectives, for which we work every day.

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 June 9th, 2021 at the latest.

Sincerely yours,

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State Government of Maranhão