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H.E. Ban Ki-moon Secretary-General United Nations New York, NY 10017 USA

Dear Mr. Secretary-General

Re: Commitment to the UN Global Compact

Thank you for your invitation to become a participant in the United Nations Global Compact. I am pleased to confirm that Woolworths Limited supports the ten principles of the Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, we express our intent to advance those principles within our sphere of influence.

Our core principles and policies are closely aligned with those of the Global Compact. We are committed to making these principles part of the strategy, culture and day-to-day operations of our company, and to engaging in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Millennium Development Goals. Woolworths Limited will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

We recognise that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the annual submission of a Communication on Progress (COP) that describes our company's efforts to implement the ten principles. We support public accountability and transparency, and report annually in line with the guidelines of the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI). Copies of our Sustainability Strategy and 2008 Corporate Responsibility Report are enclosed for your perusal.

I look forward to our participation.

Sincerely yours

Michael Luscombe Chief Executive Officer