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

Subject: Letter of commitment for UN Global Compact India membership

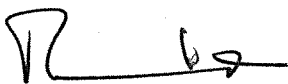
Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am pleased to confirm that WaterAid India supports the ten principles of the Global Compact on human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, we express our intent to implement those principles. We are committed to making the Global Compact and its principles part of the strategy, culture and day-to-day operations of our organisation, and to engaging in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Sustainable Development Goals. WaterAid India through its strategy already is aligned to 2030 goal of everyone everywhere by 2030 in the universal access to Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (Goal 6). Our strategy document (2016-2021) is a testament to the same. (<http://wateraidindia.in/publication/reaching-everyone-everywhere-wateraid-india-country-strategy-2016-2021/>)

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the annual submission of a Communication on Progress (COP) that describes our organisation's efforts to implement the ten principles and support any specialized UN Global Compact issue platform that our organisation may join at a later date. We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress within one year of joining the Global Compact, and annually thereafter according to the Global Compact COP policy. This includes:

- A statement signed by the chief executive expressing continued support for the Global Compact and renewing our ongoing commitment to the initiative and its principles. This is separate from our initial letter of commitment to join the Global Compact.
- A description of practical actions (i.e., disclosure of any relevant policies, procedures, activities) that the organisation has taken (or plans to undertake) to implement the Global Compact principles in each of the four issue areas (human rights, labour, environment, anti-corruption).
- A measurement of outcomes (i.e., the degree to which targets/performance indicators were met, or other qualitative or quantitative measurements of results).

Sincerely yours,



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(Chief Executive)

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