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World Green Building Council
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Dear Mr Secretary General

World Green Building Council Application to membership of United Nations Global Compact

The World Green Building Council (WorldGBC) is a global network leading the transformation of the built environment to make it healthier and sustainable. Collectively, with our Green Building Councils (GBCs) in around 70 countries, we accelerate action to deliver on the ambition of the Paris Agreement and UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We do this by accelerating critical systems transitions required cross-sector to achieve our goals for a sustainable built environment.

On behalf of the World Green Building Council global network we support the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact. We wish to advance our work and impact across these areas and are prepared to make a statement of commitment to our members, stakeholders and our wider industry audience.

We aspire to participate as members of the UN Global Compact due to our strategic alignment to the UN Sustainable Development Goals, which has formed the backbone of our Strategic Plan 2020-2022. We have analysed our potential contribution to the Global Goals, and we see major opportunity for the buildings and construction industry to directly impact the advancement of 11 Goals. We will be publicly communicating our targets for these Goals, which we communicate within our three Impact Areas: Climate Action, Health & Wellbeing and Resources & Circularity.

Our network is comprised of five Regional Networks, within which our 70 Green Building Councils operate on regional and national scales, and we see a unique and valuable opportunity to link our Regional Networks and national Green Building Councils with the Global Compact Local Networks. Additionally, our membership comprises approximately 40,000 industry and business representatives and organisations from across the built environment sector, and we would endeavour to support our membership in engaging with the Ten Principles and Global Goals and reporting publicly on their sustainability efforts.

WorldGBC is committed to publicly reporting our network's impact in advancing progress towards the Global Goals, as well as the implementation of the Ten Principles, and we would

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do so through submission of a Communication on Engagement (COE). We 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.

Yours sincerely

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Cristina Gamboa
CEO