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Dear Global Compact Participant,

As Chairman of the Foundation for the Global Compact and the Executive Director of the UN Global Compact, we are writing to share with you the results from our 2008 fundraising campaign as well as to request your support for our 2009 campaign.

We are pleased to report that in 2008 pledges for contributions reached USD 1.1million. We are deeply gratified by the show of support we have received throughout the year from those who participated in the fund drive.

Your contribution has enabled the UN Global Compact to grow and to develop scalable engagement opportunities. We have been able to fund a number of very important programs and events such as the Africa Private Sector Forum; Communications on Progress (COP) working groups; Local and Regional Network meetings; the CEO Water Mandate and the Caring for Climate initiatives among others. In addition, we are proud to report the creation of the Research Center for the Global Compact which hosts, among other activities, the Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME), with 175 business schools in 51 countries. This new undertaking has been made possible through a partnership with the Levin Institute in New York City.

We trust that you share our view that your contribution was well worth the investment. Your contribution will be appropriately recognized in our annual review scheduled for release in early 2009.

As we launch our campaign for the upcoming year, we ask that you continue to support the UN Global Compact by contributing to the Foundation in 2009. While we are mindful that the downturn in the global economy is impacting budgets, we believe you will agree that investing in corporate sustainability generally and in the UN Global Compact specifically is arguably more important than ever. The recent disruptions in markets have underscored the need for universal principles and tenets of corporate responsibility. The UN Global Compact offers a unique policy platform to better manage risks and opportunities in the Environmental, Social and Governance realms. The UN Global Compact is well positioned to help build trust in market activities and to help revive sustainable growth.

The UN Global Compact is at the forefront of global corporate citizenship initiatives. With over 6500 participants in 130 countries, the UN Global Compact has the most extensive global reach, promoting engagement and action by companies through a broad range of programs and events. The UN Global Compact offers participating companies and organizations important support through various workshops and communication tools to share best practices across industries and issues. By joining the UN Global Compact and committing your organization to its principles, you have proven that you are the visionary leaders who have set the standard for better stewardship and business conduct. We now

need you to make a commitment to give an annual voluntary contribution to further advance this corporate citizenship initiative.

Based on the programs planned for 2009, we have set a goal of USD 2million for general support contributions for the coming year. For your convenience, we are including a general invoice with this letter. This invoice contains information on payment options as well as suggested amounts.

We expect that all participating companies will respond to this appeal in support of the UN Global Compact. We are at your disposal to answer any questions you may have. You can reach us at: contributions@globalcompactfoundation.org

We all have a stake in making sure that the UN Global Compact remains the leading voluntary corporate citizenship initiative, an initiative that encourages the embedding of principles into business practices in the pursuit of a more open and stable global economy.

We trust that we can count on your financial contribution and support.

Yours Sincerely,



Sir Mark Moody-Stuart
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