

## LEVI STRAUSS & CO.

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Mr. Georg Kell  
Executive Director  
UN Global Compact  
United Nations  
New York, NY 10017

Dear Mr. Kell:

Levi Strauss & Co. is proud to share with you our 2011 UN Global Compact Communication on Progress. As you know, social and environmental sustainability is much more than an idea or a project at Levi Strauss & Co. It is deeply embedded into our products, our culture, and our business.

Levi Strauss & Co. made great strides since our last Communication on Progress to expand sustainability communications and transparency. Levi Strauss & Co.'s [corporate public website](#) provides the latest information on our social and environmental sustainability strategies, policies and actions. The information found on our public website is supplemented by the sustainability portion of the [Levi Strauss & Co. 2010 Annual Financial Report](#), which outlines actions taken by the company in the 2010 fiscal year to advance our corporate responsibility objectives and operationalize the principles of the Global Compact, with a particular focus on sustainable product innovation.

Levi Strauss & Co. also continued to grow our energy and climate transparency and reporting. We registered our global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions for 2010 with [The Climate Registry](#). The emissions report has undergone third-party review by SCS Engineers in accordance with The Climate Registry requirements. We also issued our third [Carbon Disclosure Report](#), which captured not only a summary of our 2010 emissions, but also our GHG reduction targets and strategies for achieving those reductions. This energy and climate reporting helps us assess progress, identify gaps in our program, and push for action. Additionally we joined [Climate Counts Industry Innovators](#) to engage with Climate Counts to understand how we can improve our transparency to align with best practice.

Lastly, our [second CEO Water Mandate Communication on Progress](#) is available in the [water section of our corporate website](#). Through engagement with the CEO Water Mandate, we have grown our commitment to water sustainability in the areas of direct operations, supply chain, collective action, public policy and community engagement.

Due to our transparency and reporting on social and environmental sustainability of our projects, [Levi's® was ranked number one](#) in the jeans category when Good Guide released its first ratings of apparel brands. Good Guide's rankings, which help consumers make consumption choices based on sustainability, is based on publicly available information.

LS&Co. remains an active and committed Global Compact member. This year, we continued with our leadership role on the Global Compact U.S. Network steering committee. We look forward to the years ahead as Compact activities advance our company's sustainability commitment. If you have any questions about our sustainability communications, please contact Kelley Benander ([kbenander@levi.com](mailto:kbenander@levi.com)).

All the best,



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