

October 31, 2019

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

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

At UL, we are committed to positively impacting our planet, its people and prosperity as we work for a safer, more secure and sustainable world.

We are dedicated today, as we've been for over 125 years, to helping shape a global culture of sustainability by our actions, services and offerings, which empower our customers, stakeholders and communities to realize a better world. Through transparency, communication and corporate citizenship, we aim to inform, influence and inspire others along our path toward a sustainable future.

It is in this ethos, that I am pleased to confirm that UL supports the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact on human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, we confirm our intent to implement those principles. We are committed to making the UN Global Compact and its principles part of UL's strategy, culture and day-to-day operations, and to engaging in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Sustainable Development Goals, SDGs. UL has made a clear statement of this commitment to our employees, stakeholders and the general public which is evident on our website, UL.com, and will be evident in our 2019 Corporate Sustainability Report.

UL was proud to partner with the UN SDG Action Campaign for the 2019 Global Week to Act by cleaning streams around the world to rally support for the SDGs. We have also committed to raising awareness and educating our peers and stakeholders thereby inspiring others to work together to make our world a more sustainable place on the pathway to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity in 2030.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the UN 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 therefore welcome reporting on progress within one year of joining the UN Global Compact, and annually thereafter according to the UN Global Compact COP policy.

## Our COP will include:

- A statement signed by the chief executive expressing continued support for the UN 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 UN Global Compact.
- A description of practical actions i.e., disclosure of any relevant policies, procedures, activities and initiatives, that our company has taken (or plans to undertake) to implement the UN Global Compact principles in each of the four issue areas of human rights, labor, environment, and anti-corruption.
- A measurement of outcomes, results and impact, both qualitative and quantitative relating to our targets, key performance indicators and overarching goals.

UL is a mission-driven company - working for a safer, more secure and sustainable world for more than a century. Sustainability at UL goes beyond what we do internally as a company. It also includes our services and offerings to help make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

As we continue to innovate, expand and serve our Mission, we empower ourselves alongside our customers, peers and partners to secure a thriving and abundant future for all.

We are UL - working for a safer, more secure and sustainable world.

Sincerely,

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President and Chief Executive Officer

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