





New York, 21 April 2016

Dear Signatory to L'Appel de Paris – the Paris Pledge for Action,

We wish to convey our sincere thanks for your support of the historic Paris Climate Change Agreement as a signatory to L'Appel de Paris – the Paris Pledge for Action.

The Pledge received an extremely positive response from more than 1,200 cities, states, companies and institutions with the common vision of a clean energy and sustainable future for all people, secure from the extreme impacts of climate change.

The Pledge established beyond doubt that governments launched the Paris Agreement into a world where so many leading actors are already taking effective climate action and have set a remarkable foundation for the faster progress we must now make.

The Pledge has achieved its goal and more, and we believe has fulfilled its aims and ambitions. The time has come to bring the Pledge to a close and streamline, focus and sharpen the action agenda as the world heads to COP 22 in Morocco.

The plan now is to first place the achievements of the Pledge on the UNFCCC-supported NAZCA site, which captures and registers commitments to climate action by companies, cities, subnational regions, and investors. This is both to honour the Pledge's impact and to encourage tens of thousands more to register new and increasing commitments to act: http://climateaction.unfccc.int/

In this spirit we encourage you to add to your own commitments or raise existing ones and to make others aware they can do so. NAZCA, which also features action under the Lima to Paris Action Agenda, has become powerful proof of the huge opportunities that climate action brings and a transparent window on the diverse and influential actors involved.

Keeping the global temperature rise well below 2 degrees Celsius and pursuing efforts to keep it at a 1.5 degree Celsius rise means peaking global emissions soon, then reversing them very rapidly. The focus now is on everyone – governments, business and citizens alike – to implement the goals of the Paris Agreement as fast as possible.

We would like to thank all those organizations who assisted in managing the Pledge and tracking action under it including Cambridge University's Institute for Sustainability Leadership; We Mean Business and the UN's Principles for Responsible Investment, to name but a few.

The United Nations and its partners will be working hard to engage further with you on climate action and to showcase and highlight your ambition, successes and commitments as the world moves to Morocco for its next global climate conference.

With your continued support and willingness to act, increasing ambition to take climate action will be demonstrably seen as an opportunity to work together, to succeed and to benefit from this great transformation on which we have all embarked.

Yours sincerely,

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