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Dear Mr. Ulf Persson,

I wish to thank you and to recognize your vision and leadership in endorsing the *Caring for Climate* initiative. Water Company AB is now part of the largest global business movement to address climate change, endorsed by more than 330 companies from 65 countries.

The United Nations Secretary-General has called 2009 the “Year of Climate Change” – and for good reason. This year will see crucial negotiations to forge a new global framework on climate change. This global crisis has risen to the top of the international agenda – with scientific consensus now joined by ever-growing public concern.

Caring for Climate is designed as a strategic platform to assist companies in the development, implementation, and disclosure of comprehensive climate strategies and policies, and to advance practical business solutions. It also provides a channel for the business community to contribute inputs and perspectives to key governmental deliberations.

Caring for Climate has on-going engagement opportunities for signatories, in particular through events and publications. I wish to draw your attention to the outcomes of the World Business Summit on Climate Change, which is co-convened by the UN Global Compact on 24-26 May 2009 in Copenhagen. More information on the Summit can be found at www.copenhagenclimatcouncil.com. During this meeting, the *Caring for Climate* series, which feature progress made by the initiative, was launched. For more information on future engagement opportunities related to *Caring for Climate*, please visit our website at www.unglobalcompact.org.

I welcome Water Company AB in the *Caring for Climate* initiative and look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Georg Kell', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Georg Kell
Executive Director
UN Global Compact Office

Ulf Persson
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Water Company AB
Skarpnack