April 24, 2020

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

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am pleased to confirm that Export Development Canada (EDC) supports the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact on human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, we express our intent to implement those principles. EDC is committed to making the UN Global Compact and its principles part of the strategy, culture and day-to-day operations of our company, and to engaging in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Sustainable Development Goals. EDC will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

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 commit to report on progress within one year of joining the UN Global Compact, and annually thereafter according to the UN Global Compact COP policy. This includes:

- 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 that EDC has taken (or plans to undertake) to implement the UN Global Compact principles in each of the four issue areas (human rights, labour, environment, anti-corruption).
• A measurement of outcomes to demonstrate the degree to which targets and performance indicators have been met.

We welcome the opportunity to engage with you and like-minded organizations to align strategies on corporate sustainability actions that advance societal goals.

Respectfully yours,

Mairead Lavery
President and Chief Executive Officer