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To Whom It May Concern:

Request for Consideration as a Partner in the Lead Paint Alliance (LPA)

In line with the national directive on "Limitation and Prohibition of Dangerous Substances" implemented by Ministry of Environment and Urbanization on November 21, 2014, Turkish paint manufacturers do not use in their formulations the lead compounds listed therein. In addition, several members of The Association of Turkish Paint Industry, BOSAD, have voluntarily stopped employing lead compounds in their decorative coatings products.

BOSAD acknowledges that the specific objectives of the Alliance are to prevent children's exposure to decorative paints containing lead and to minimize occupational exposures to lead arising from paint:

"The primary goal of the Alliance is to prevent children's exposure to paints containing lead and to minimize occupational exposures to lead paint... The Action Plan for 2015-16 highlights the need for near-term efforts, in particular by national governments around the world to phase out the use of lead paints, with special attention to eliminating lead decorative paints and in paints for other applications most likely to contribute to childhood lead exposure."

¹http://www.unep.org/chemicalsandwaste/Portals/9/Lead Cadmium/docs/GAELP/LPA Action Plan May2015revised27Sept201 5.pdf

BOSAD, as an active member of The International Paint and Painting Ink Council, Inc. (IPPIC), supports the following IPPIC policy statement from 2009 that aligns with the goals and objectives of the Lead Paint Alliance:

"IPPIC supports the long-standing effectiveness of lead-use restrictions that are already in place in certain jurisdictions and recommends their widespread adoption by authorities not currently regulating the use of lead in paint and printing ink. Such restrictions may be accomplished through specific legislation or regulation, formal voluntary agreements, or by other means that ensure widespread and verifiable compliance."

BOSAD would like to engage in the work of the Alliance as described below:

BOSAD supports the work of the Alliance and hereby affirms to strongly encourage its members to comply with all national and local laws, regulations, rules, judgments and other legislative declarations applicable to the limits for lead compounds in all paints in Turkey. In addition, BOSAD hereby declares its strong intention to support future studies of governmental bodies for the prevention of children's exposure to lead paints.

BOSAD understand that this letter of intent is not legally binding, and that a copy of this letter requesting to become an Alliance partner and the name of The Association of Turkish Paint Industry will be listed on the Lead Paint Alliance web site (www.unep.org/noleadinpaint).

Yours sincerely,

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