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*Re: Request to Join UNEP Global Mercury Partnership*

*Dear Sir or Madam:*

*The International Academy of Biological Dentistry and Medicine requests to formally join the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership, specifically the mercury in products partnership area.*

*Dedicated to phasing out the use of mercury in dentistry and medicine, we fully support the Partnership's goal of protecting our health and our environment from mercury by minimizing and, where feasible, ultimately phasing out anthropogenic mercury releases.*

*We believe that it is possible to phase out dental mercury now. We can offer the Partnership our extensive range of experience and expertise. The members who work with us know firsthand that the risks associated with mercury-based dental fillings and thiomersol vaccines in children, pregnant women, and hypersensitive adults are unacceptable – especially when the patient is not even informed that amalgam or vaccines contains mercury. The environmentalists who work with us know that dental amalgam is a major source of mercury in our air, land, and water and that dental mercury converts to methylmercury in the environment. The dentists who work with us know that alternatives to amalgam are available now because they have already phased out the use of mercury in their own practices. We believe our experience and expertise as patients, parents, environmentalists, physicians and dentists can assist the Partnership in developing strategies to phase out the use of mercury in dentistry.*

*Thank you for this opportunity. We look forward to working with the Partnership.*

*Sincerely,*

*Dr. Dawn Ewing*

*Executive Director IABDM*

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We the International Academy of Biological Dentistry and medicine, support the Partnership's goal "to protect human health and the global environment from the release of mercury and its compounds by minimizing and, where feasible, ultimately eliminating global, anthropogenic mercury releases to air, water and land" and (b) explaining what you can contribute to the Partnership by way of expertise and experience, such as saying this: "The Partnership is hearing only from the pro-mercury faction of dentistry. We represent mercury-free dentistry, and can explain why and how the world's dentists should switch to mercury-free alternatives."

E-mail: [mercury@chemicals.unep.ch](mailto:mercury@chemicals.unep.ch). [Also, I suggest you send a cc to UNEP, [desiree.narvaez@unep.org](mailto:desiree.narvaez@unep.org), and to US EPA, [Groeneveld.Thomas@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:Groeneveld.Thomas@epamail.epa.gov) )

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**UNEP GLOBAL MERCURY PARTNERSHIP  
REGISTRATION FORM\***

**PARTNERSHIP AREA**

Please check partnership areas that your organization intends to contribute to:

- artisanal and small scale gold mining
- mercury cell chlor alkali production
- mercury air transport and fate research
- mercury in products
- mercury releases from coal combustion
- mercury waste management
- mercury supply and storage

Please indicate in your support letter how your organization intends to contribute to each of the indicated partnership areas.

**ORGANIZATION NAME**

International Academy of Biological Dentistry  
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**NAME, FUNCTIONAL TITLE  
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**TYPE OF ORGANIZATION**

- Government
- Regional economic integration organization
- Non-government Organization
- Industry
- Scientific community
- Other, please specify:

NON Profit

\*UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Registration Forms are to be accompanied by a letter to UNEP signifying support for the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership and commitment to achieving the partnership goal. The support letter should specify how the organization intends to contribute to meeting the goal of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership.

Please submit the support letter and registration form to:

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