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Economy Division United Nations Environment Programme
Palais des Nations
8-14 avenue de la Paix
CH-1211 Geneva 10,
Switzerland

UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Application

Dear Sir/Madam

On behalf of Tellus Holdings Ltd, I wish to formally request to be considered to join the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership and fully support the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership goals.

Tellus is an innovative environmental services company cleaning up hazardous waste across Australia by developing and operating geological repositories and reinvesting in its communities through the circular economy. We do this by bringing a solution that has been used for decades in North America and Europe to solve the most challenging types of hazardous waste issues such as Mercury.

Our Sandy Ridge facility is located north-west of Kalgoorlie in Western Australia and is Australia's first commercial geological repository, capable of accepting and permanently isolating chemical wastes, in most cases without concentration limits. It is fully open to accept up to 100,000 tonnes per annum of hazardous and intractable waste inclusive of all forms of Mercury. Sandy Ridge is purely a domestic solution and only accepts waste from Australia and its Exclusive Economic Zone.

Tellus will contribute to meeting the goal of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership by providing safe disposal facilities in accordance with UNEP/CHW.12/5/Add.8/Rev.1. Basel Convention: Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with mercury or mercury compounds.

Yours sincerely,



Slade Greenaway
General Manager Sales & Business Development
Tellus Holdings Ltd



UNEP GLOBAL MERCURY PARTNERSHIP

INFORMATION ON BECOMING A PARTNER

This information sheet provides an overview of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Global Mercury Partnership for prospective partners. Further information is available at:

web.unep.org/globalmercurypartnership

GOAL OF THE PARTNERSHIP

The overall goal of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership is 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.

PARTNERSHIP AREAS

The UNEP Global Mercury Partnership is a voluntary and collaborative relationship between various parties, governmental, non-governmental, public and private, in which all participants agree to work together in a systematic way to achieve its goal.

Initiated in 2005¹, the Partnership today focuses its work on supporting timely and effective implementation of the Minamata Convention on Mercury; on providing state of the art knowledge and science on mercury; and on delivering outreach and awareness raising towards global action on mercury.

¹ UNEP Governing Council Decision 23/9

The Partnership is structured around eight areas:

- 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
- Mercury releases from the cement industry

OUR PARTNERS

Over 200 partners from governments, IGOs, NGOs, private sector and academic institutions:

- Support the overall goal of the Partnership.
- Contribute resources or expertise to the development and implementation of Partnership activities.
- Network with other organizations, agencies, entities and individuals addressing mercury issues.

BECOMING A PARTNER

To become a partner, interested entities or individuals should submit a letter to UNEP signifying their support for the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership and their commitment to achieving its goal. The letter should also specify how they will contribute to meeting the goal of the Partnership.

Together with this letter, UNEP requests interested entities or individuals to also complete and submit the registration form (see reverse). Participation in the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership will be confirmed by UNEP. Partners' letters of support will be made public through the UNEP's website.

SUPPORT LETTER AND REGISTRATION FORM SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO:

**Head, Chemicals and Health Branch
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8-14 avenue de la Paix
CH-1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland
E-mail: metals@un.org

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Yellowfin Tuna, Courtesy NOAA Fisheries, © Photo by Jeff Muir

PARTNERSHIP AREAS

Please check the partnership area(s) to which 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

 Mercury releases from the cement industry

> Please specify in your support letter how your organization intends to contribute to each of the selected partnership area(s).

ORGANIZATION APPLYING TO BECOME A PARTNER

Name of
Organization:

Type of
Organization:

 Government

 Intergovernmental Organization

 Non-governmental Organization

 Industry

 Academia

 Other, please specify

Mailing
Address:

Postcode:

City:

Country:

E-mail:

Telephone:

Website:

ORGANIZATION'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNEP GLOBAL MERCURY PARTNERSHIP

Mr.

Ms.

First Name:

Last Name:

Functional Title:

Section / Department:

E-mail:

* 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 its 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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