DURBAN CLIMATE CHANGE PARTNERSHIP DECLARATION

We, the participants in the June 2009 Durban Climate Change Summit for Industry:

Recognise the unequivocal impact of human activities on climate change and the urgency for climate action now;

Acknowledge our responsibility to understand its implications on the broader Durban society, environment and economy and to manage our business activities accordingly; and

Convinced that responding effectively to the complex challenges posed by climate change will require a co-ordinated and co-operative approach by many role players on many levels and that decisive action will not only serve future planetary needs but will also provide new economic opportunities in the immediate future,

Hereby:

Commit ourselves in partnership with UNIDO and the City to co-operate actively with one another and with governmental and non-governmental parties, to develop and implement effective climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies, including programmes to measure and mitigate our carbon footprint and to adapt our future business activities towards achieving a low carbon economy ; and

Call upon other businesses to endorse this Durban Climate Change Summit Declaration for Industry.

Signed on this 24th day of June 2009, at Durban

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