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To Whom It May Concern,

The Ministry of Environmental Protection supports policy to increase the generation of renewable energy as a key measure in Israel's National Plan for Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions. Together with the implementation of energy efficiency measures, we expect to see significant environmental and social benefits in the coming years.

In order to encourage companies to save energy and resources, as well as reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, the Ministry established a voluntary national GHG Registry in 2010. The 3 - level reporting scheme allows companies to report their emissions (Scope 1-3), to verify the report by an accredited third party, and to implement a corporate GHG emission reduction plan.

The national registry and reporting scheme is based upon the GHG Protocol and is compatible with CDP reporting standards. As such, the Ministry of Environmental Protection regards the REC (Renewable Energy Certificates) mechanism as an appropriate method for accounting a company's Scope 2 emissions. RECs issued and redeemed under the supervision of the official local issuer operating in adherence with the I-REC Standard, as well as the I-REC registry, should encourage companies to contribute to increasing their consumption of renewable electricity and in turn support the generation of these technologies.

Sincerely,

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