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Dear fellows:

As part of the Global Compact since September 2005, the Parques Nacionales de Panama Group is committed to participate, promote, integrate and develop RSC programs and projects oriented to corporations, civil society, schools and universities, NGO's, public sector and government agencies in order to achieve the Agenda 21 environmental goals.

Since May 26, 2008 we had been promoting the Pollution Zero Alliance among all the actors in Panama, especially among corporations, to implement projects orient it to reduce, reuse, and recycle or elimination of at least 10 dangerous pollutants from our environment. As the first pollutant we considered the voluntary reduction of grocery bags or non reusable plastic bags, as is happening around the world. We set a goal to reach in six months 20 thousand reusable bags and to be distributed among customers and employees of large supermarkets chains as stepping stones for bigger programs inside supermarkets and grocery stores, among others, in the republic of Panama. We had already achieved 30% of our goal in just the first month. (Attached, you will find a photo from one of our ally's reusable bags program).

The next important pollutant is dry batteries. And we like to create awareness on the right disposition of them and the use of more rechargeable batteries and AC to avoid mercury and other toxic pollutants to reach land and rivers and waterbeds.

We will like to reach at least 2,000 locations in Panama to collect 40 thousand used batteries in 6 months and export them to Colombia were they can be recycle properly. We will start the promotion of the new program in November 2008 right before Christmas, when batteries reach it maximum annual sales and discharge.

We will be hosting the 2<sup>nd</sup> environmental RSC Forum next August 19-20 and we will like to partnership with the Mercury Program and UNEP Chemical, in other to gain knowledge and credibility for our future programs. Also collaborate in reaching the Mercury Program Goals.

I look forward to be a positive partner of the Mercury Program as well as in other present and future programs regarding reduction of toxic pollutants in our country.

Green Regards,

Jorge G Conte B  
Director-Founder  
Ecologic / Pollution Zero Alliance / Parques Nacionales Panama Group

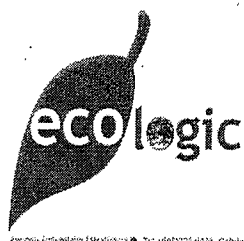
## UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Registration Form \*

<b>Partnership Area</b>	<p>Please check partnership areas that your organization intends to contribute to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mercury in products</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> artisanal and small scale gold mining</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> mercury emissions from coal combustion</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mercury waste management</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> mercury cell chlor alkali production</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> mercury air transport and fate research</li></ul> <p>Please indicate in your support letter how your organization intends to contribute to each of the indicated partnership areas.</p>
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Panamá, January 22, 2010

Mr.  
Per M. Bakken  
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Dear Mr. Bakken:

Since 2008 we had been partners of the Global Mercury Partnership in the mercury waste management area. Since June 5, 2009 we started a program named Zero Mercury Mission, and since September 22, we begin our first project named "Ponte las pilas con las pilas" or "Get on with the batteries" to inform about the mercury and other metals inside batteries and the impact of mercury on human health and the environment. We had informed more that 1,000 persons so far and we look forward to reach 20 times that number in the next 3 years. We are also looking forward to collect 3 tones of mercury containing products (batteries, fluorescent lamps, CFL's bulbs and mercury thermometers) to be temporary storage and encapsulate in cement for further use.

That is why we want to be part of the supply and storage area, to learn, propose and share thoughts and ideas on mercury containing product's temporary storage and final disposition.

We look forward for you positive response and help us to find a proper area to canalize our doubts and initiatives for local as well as global solutions for this new paradox.

Please have a mercury free day.

Jorge G. Conte Burrell  
Founder-Director-Member

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## UNEP GLOBAL MERCURY PARTNERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM \*

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