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Dear Mr. Philipp Mimkes,
Board of the Coalition Against BAYER Dangers

The WWF Greater Mekong – Thailand Country Programme would like to express our sincere thanks for your *Open Letter to WWF Thailand concerning cooperation with Chemical and Pharmaceutical Company Bayer*, dated July 7, 2006. The Letter has brought to our attention the information shown in the Bayer's website which has regrettably distorted the facts and created public distrust on our strong brand.

We however would like to bring to your attention the followings:

1. Miss Tatirose Vjitpan did participate in the Bayer Young Environmental Envoy Program in 2002, BEFORE becoming a staff member within the Energy and Climate Change Unit of WWF Thailand (in 2003). The article was an interview of a person joining the Programme and carrying on the environmental career. Such a personal interview was arranged and conducted without any formal association with WWF Thailand.
2. Given the environmental performance of Bayer, locally and globally, and our strong concerns on environmental integrity, WWF Thailand has NEVER had any association or cooperation with Bayer and there will be none in the future.
3. We however felt that Miss Tatirose Vjitpan has been shrewdly exploited by Bayer. Additionally, we have observed an inappropriate action of Bayer in providing an internet link of WWF on the same Bayer's website. We seriously consider this as an illegitimate action which has led to public misinterpretation of our association with Bayer. WWF Thailand wishes to take this matter to WWF network to consider further actions so that a similar incident will not occur again in the future.

We, as part of the WWF global network, have been extremely careful in our selective collaboration and cooperation with the business sector. We take our strong relationships with the network and other alliances seriously and share critical concerns prior to approaching or getting associated with any businesses.

We hope the above clarifies our position. Should you have further concerns or queries, please do hesitate to contact me directly.

Best regards,

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