



STATEMENT - October 2009

**APRIL RECOGNISED FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF UN GLOBAL COMPACT
- award ceremony in Singapore 7 October 2009**

APRIL (Asia Pacific Resources International Limited) has been officially recognised for its continual efforts to uphold the United Nations (UN) Global Compact's ten principles, and for our commitment to the Communication on Progress reports.

APRIL has been a signatory to the UN Global Compact since 2006, and we have faithfully upheld the Ten Principles covering human rights, fair labour, the environment and anti-corruption. In addition, APRIL has also remained committed to the protection of high conservation value forests (HCVF) by adopting the Mosaic Plantation Concept. This plantation development system enables APRIL to conserve biodiversity values and create economic benefits for communities, while generating renewable fibre supply from previously degraded land.

President and Chief Operating Officer of APRIL Mr AJ Devanesan said, "We are indeed honoured to have been recognised for our efforts, and we are proud to be a supporter of the UN Global Compact. We have embraced the ten principles for the past three years, and will continue to underscore our unwavering commitment to sustainable development.

Mr Jouko Virta representing APRIL at the ceremony



"We hope to lead by example, and would like to take this opportunity to encourage more corporate participation in our common mission of ensuring a sustainable future for generations to come."

The awards ceremony was hosted on 7 October 2009, by the Singapore chapter of the UN Global Compact. These awards were held in conjunction with the Inaugural International Singapore Compact CSR Summit.

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