



EUROPEAN COMMISSION
ENTERPRISE AND INDUSTRY DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

Industrial policy and economic reforms
Sustainable Development, Climate Change and Competitiveness

Brussels, **20 SEP. 2007**
ENTR/B4/KK D(2007) 29927

Mr Pierre Wiertz
General Manager
EDANA, International Association Serving
the Nonwovens and Related Industries
157 Avenue Eugène Plasky
B – 1030 Brussels

Subject: EDANA's Sustainability Report 2007-2008

Dear Mr Wiertz,

I am writing to you on behalf of Mr Zourek, Director General of DG Enterprise and Industry.

We would like to thank you for sending the executive summary of the second edition of EDANA's Sustainability Report that I have read with interest.

As indicated to you at the time of the first edition of your Sustainability Report, and more recently during our meeting of 12 June 2007, DG Enterprise and Industry welcomes EDANA's voluntary initiatives on sustainability and more particularly your members' commitment to contribute to the continuous improvement of environmental performance of absorbent hygiene products while highlighting their societal, economic and health benefits.

This is in line with the business response which is expected from sectors in support of the implementation of the EU Sustainable Development Strategy which addresses seven themes including sustainable consumption and production.

DG Enterprise and Industry has encouraged EDANA to continue its efforts in the improvement of their products environmental impact and I am pleased to learn that new achievements have been brought since 2005.

I therefore would like to reiterate our appreciation of the absorbent hygiene products manufacturers voluntary initiatives on sustainability of their industry and products and I

am confident that your industry sector will be able to demonstrate progress on the environmental impact of their products in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michel Catinat', with a large, sweeping flourish on the left side.

Michel Catinat