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Dear Sirs and Madams,

Subject: Thai Tap Water Quality

As the flood situation in Thailand has much improved and the water level is continually receding, while concerns over the water quality start to rise among our trade partners especially those in the agriculture and food sectors, I wish to inform you of the most up-to-date situation with regard to tap water quality as follows:

1. The Metropolitan Waterworks Authority (MWA) has disseminated a report on tap water quality and ensured that the quality is in line with the World Health Organization's 2006 Guidelines for Drinking Water Quality. For further details, the real-time tap water quality monitoring system and daily report can be accessed online at <http://www.mwa.co.th>.

2. In addition, the Department of Health (DOH) also conducted a series of survey and sampling of water quality in 38 stations across Bangkok and its vicinity during 1-11 November 2011 including cyanide testing for any potential contamination from the affected industrial estates. The result indicates the water standard meets the Standard of Drinking Water quality (DOH) 2010, whose parameters complies with the 2006 World Health Organization Guidelines as well. The full report is attached herewith. *(Please contact the embassy for the attachment)*

In your capacity as the Honorary Trade Advisor to the Ministry of Commerce, I would like to request your continued cooperation in ensuring importers and buyers that the water quality related to all manufacturing processes in Thailand is strictly safe for consumers. Once again, allow me to extend my appreciation to you as we join hands to rebuild confidence in Thailand and further enhance the trade relations between our two countries.

Yours sincerely,

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