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Dear Mr. Timmermans,

First of all my best wishes for the new year.

I am sure that 2020 will be a fascinating year in terms of sustainability and that Europe will be play a critical role in this.

I am following up on the invitation that you received to the NatGeo forum on The Circular Economy. Did you receive it?

The date for the forum is set for February 26 at NatGeo headquarters in Washington, DC. It is being presented by Milliken & Company, Waste Management and the Ellen MacArthur Foundation.

We have an exciting program planned and hope that you will join us for the entirety.

At this moment we have several key decision makers from the US Senate that confirmed their attendance but we strongly believe that it would be crucial that there is a strong voice from Europe coming as well.

The forum will be held from 3:00-5:30 pm. It will consist of a series of panel conversations on circular themes.

Panel/Q&A 1: Cities as Metabolisms: Is Zero Waste Possible? – benefits and feasibility of circular cities.

Panel/Q&A 2: Re-Thinking End of Life Solutions for Plastic – exploring approaches for collaboration and innovation across the plastics value chain.

Panel/Q&A 3 Leading Disruption – can we disrupt the current linear economic model faster. Is this interesting to you or someone of your colleagues? If so, please don't hesitate to contact me so I can assist in any (travel or other) arrangements.

There's more.

Pre forum, Milliken is going to host a drop in luncheon from 11:30 to 2:30. Please join us. NatGeo will be offering tours of their historic facility.

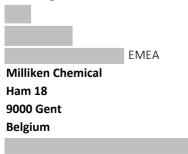
A short educational program will be presented beginning at 1 pm.

- Polypropylene recycling by Purecycle Technologies
- Secondary Materials Recovery facilities by Titus Equipment
- FutureWorlds by PA Consulting

Finally, we would like to extend an invitation for post-forum networking. We are planning several group dinners and would like you to join us, starting at 6:30. Please let me know if you will be able to.

Looking forward to reading from you.

Kind regards,



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