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Quarter of a million climate signatures handed to UN

Today, 244,388 signatures gathered during Vattenfall's global climate initiative are being handed to the UN's official environmental programme "Seal the Deal". The signatures are being handed over to UN during the current climate summit meeting in New York.

"Through its climate manifesto, Vattenfall has given the public a chance to influence decision-makers at a global level. In this way, we want to give our backing to decision-makers in taking necessary actions to make it easier for companies and private individuals to slow the process of climate change", says Vattenfall CEO Lars G .Josefsson.

"The number of signatures reflects people's huge engagement in the climate issue. The UN's worldwide "Seal the Deal" campaign has the same goal as our initiative: to bring about a positive decision on the climate at COP 15 in Copenhagen and so we have decided to combine the two. Today, we are handing over nearly a quarter of a million signatures at the UN climate summit in New York, which is being attended by two thirds of world heads of state.

To date, nearly a quarter of a million people have signed Vattenfall's climate manifesto, which calls for:

- 1. A global price for carbon dioxide emissions
- 2. More support for climate-conservation technology
- 3. Climate requirements for products.

The initiative is part of a long-term programme at Vattenfall. The group is the first energy enterprise in the world to adopt the objective of becoming carbon-neutral by 2050.

"Seal the Deal" is a campaign within the UN environmental programme. Signatures and various events are to serve as a reminder to world leaders that they are required to negotiate an effective and fair agreement at the major climate conference to be held in Copenhagen in December.

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