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Mr. Dana White President Cardan Contracting Inc. 186 Duke Street Bowmanville ON L1C 3K3

Dear Mr. White,

Thank you so much for the generous donation from Cardan Contracting Inc., Cardan Road Cleaners Inc. and Cardan Waste Management Inc. for rhino conservation.

Rhinos are being poached at a rate of about three rhinos per day. In 2013, a total of 1004 rhinos were poached for their horns, an increase from 668 rhinos in 2012. At this current rate, without extreme intervention, all rhino species will become extinct within 15 years. The Toronto Zoo is part of the Indian Rhinoceros and White Rhinoceros Species Survival Plan (SSP), which aims to establish and maintain healthy, genetically diverse populations, and overall conservation efforts to save this incredible species. One of the Toronto Zoo's mandates is to educate visitors on current conservation issues and help preserve the incredible biodiversity on the planet. The Toronto Zoo is in a great position to bring forward the plight of the rhinoceros and supports rhinoceros conservation efforts in the wild through donations such as yours.

The White rhino Open House that you so generously supported is a significant event in terms of education of the general public and for raising money to support saving rhinos in the wild.

Regards,

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