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Mr. Bouwman,

I am pleased to congratulate your organization on winning the 2006 United Nations Public Service Award in the category of "Improving transparency, accountability and responsiveness in the Public Service" for "Rijnland Internet Election System". Your outstanding achievement demonstrated excellence in serving the public interest. I am sure it has made a significant contribution to the improvement of public administration in your country. It should be an encouragement for others working for the public service.

We appreciate the effort that went into the submission. As the United Nations Public Service Awards are organized annually, we encourage any public institution that may have an innovative initiative or project with a real and broad impact to the beneficiaries to apply for this award. Information about the 2007 United Nations Public Service Awards will soon be available on our website (http://www.unpan.org/dpepa_PSaward.asp).

The Award Ceremony will take place at the United Nations Headquarters on 23 June 2006 on the celebration of the United Nations Public Service Day. I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to New York to make a presentation of your innovation on this occasion. Further details about the agenda and the venue of the Ceremony will follow in coming weeks.

In case you may wish to be accompanied to New York by officials from your institution, please provide us with their names and contacts (telephone, fax number, and e-mail) in order for us to issue a letter of invitation.

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