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**To the President  
of YACONTO LLC**

**S.P. Yakunin**

Regarding the support of  
YACONTO Integrated Program

**Dear Sergey Pavlovich!**

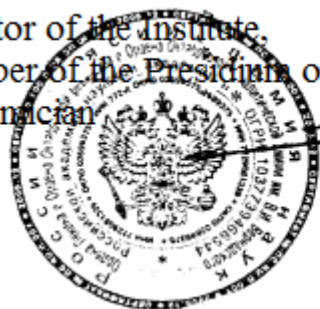
Answering your appeal to the Russian Academy of Sciences (out. № 1-61226 from 26.12.2006), Vernadsky Institute of Geochemistry and Analytical Chemistry of RAS has reviewed the presented materials of non-state investment YACONTO Integrated Program for the construction of a «Commercial Black Sea port YACONTO» in Tuapse region of Krasnodar Territory, capable of transshipping over 100 million tons of cargo per year, an establishment of a Tuapse Naval Base as a main basing and reparation point of Russian Black Sea Fleet ships and a creation of a single production, transport and social infrastructures for both objects.


YACONTO Integrated Program is a large-scale, multi-industry program of federal significance. It answers the interests of socio-economic development of Krasnodar Territory and Southern Russia as a whole and is aimed at solving nationwide problems of ensuring defense and security on North Caucasus and Azov - Black Sea basin.

Vernadsky Institute of Geochemistry and Analytical Chemistry of RAS fully supports the implementation of YACONTO Integrated Program for the construction of objects mentioned in the List of Projects of 09.05.2005 and is ready to take an active part in providing scientific substantiation and support.

Respectfully yours,

Director of the Institute,  
Member of the President of RAS,  
academician



  
E.M. Galimov

*(The Russian text of this letter is an original.)*