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To the kind attention of Mr. Pierre-Yves Firmenich - Commodore

BY DHL  
*Anticipated by email [pyfirmenich@nautique.org](mailto:pyfirmenich@nautique.org)*

Bogliaco di Gargnano, 6 May 2009

**Re: 33<sup>rd</sup> America's Cup – Multi-Challengers Event**

Dear Commodore,

We are writing to express to you our willingness to participate in a multi-challenger event in multi-hull vessels.

Our team has actively prepared to participate in the 33<sup>rd</sup> America's Cup and we intend to compete in multi-hulls provided enough time is given to the challengers to prepare.

We are a yacht club eligible under the provisions of the Deed of Gift and we represent Italy, a country that has consistently taken part to all America's Cup editions in the last 25 years and that it is widely recognized as being among the top sailing nations and ship builders in the world.

Recognizing that the Defender and current Challenger of record have expressed their willingness for a multi-challenger event, we encourage you to open a challenger selection process and to make arrangements on the dates, courses, number of trials, rules and sailing regulations, and any and all other conditions of the races.

While we acknowledge that all involved yacht clubs have invested and will invest lot of time and resources in building their vessels, we know that a regatta in multi-hull vessels will cause the greatest interest in the sport of sailing and in the America's Cup community and we are looking forward to competing in the 33<sup>rd</sup> America's Cup very soon.

For your information, the same letter has been sent to Golden Gate Yacht Club.

We urge you to reply to our genuine request as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Circolo Vela Gargnano

Lorenzo Rizzardi  
President

