

# Appendix 3

## Independent Limited Assurance Report

on the LUKOIL Group Sustainability Report 2017

<b>Audited entity:</b>	PJSC LUKOIL. Registration No. in the Unified State Register of Legal Entities 1027700035769. Moscow, Russia.
<b>Independent auditor:</b>	JSC "KPMG", a company incorporated under the Laws of the Russian Federation, a member firm of the KPMG network of independent member firms affiliated with KPMG International Cooperative ("KPMG International"), a Swiss entity. Registration No. in the Unified State Register of Legal Entities 1027700125628. Member of the Self-regulated organization of auditors "Russian Union of auditors" (Association). The Principal Registration Number of the Entry in the Register of Auditors and Audit Organisations: No. 11603053203.

TO THE MANAGEMENT OF PJSC LUKOIL

<b>Introduction</b>	We were engaged by the Management of PJSC LUKOIL (the "Management") to perform an assignment resulting in the issue of an independent limited assurance report on the LUKOIL Group (the "Group") Sustainability Report 2017 (the "Report") with an independent limited assurance conclusion that, based on our work performed, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that Management's statement that the Report is prepared, in all material respects, based on the "core" version of the Global Reporting Initiative Sustainability Reporting Standards (the "GRI Standards") and is free from material misstatement, is not fairly stated.
<b>Management's Responsibilities</b>	Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Report that is free from material misstatement in accordance with the GRI Standards, and for the information and statements contained therein. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control system relevant to the preparation of the Report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. It also includes: determining the Group's objectives in respect of sustainable development performance and reporting, including the identification of key stakeholder groups and their material issues; selecting applicable requirements of the GRI Standards; preventing and detecting fraud; identifying and ensuring that the Group complies with the laws and regulations applicable to its activities; selecting and applying appropriate policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances; maintaining adequate records in relation to the information included in the Report; ensuring that staff involved with the preparation of the Report are properly trained, information systems are properly updated and that any changes in the reporting system encompass all key divisions.
<b>Our Responsibilities and Applicable Standards</b>	Our responsibility is to perform procedures to obtain evidence in respect of the Report prepared by Management, and to issue a report with an independent limited assurance conclusion regarding Management's statement in respect of the Report based on the evidence obtained. We conducted our engagement in accordance with the International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information (ISAE 3000) issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. ISAE 3000 requires that we plan and perform our procedures to obtain a meaningful level of assurance about whether Management's statement that the Report is prepared, in all material respects, based on the GRI Standards and is free from material misstatement, is fairly stated.

## Our Independence and Quality Control

We have complied with the independence and ethical requirements established by the Rules on Independence of Auditors and Audit Firms and the Code of Professional Ethics for Auditors approved by the Audit Council of the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation and by the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants, which are based on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behaviour.

We apply the International Standard on Quality Control 1, and accordingly maintain a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

## Procedures Performed

The procedures selected, and our determination of the nature, timing and extent of these procedures, depend on our professional judgment, including the assessment of risk of material misstatement during the preparation of the Report, whether due to fraud or error, our understanding of the Group's activities, as well as other engagement circumstances.

In making these risk assessments, we considered the internal control system relevant to the Group's preparation of the Report, in order to design procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing a conclusion as to the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.

The procedures we developed based on the performed risk assessment are a combination of inspections, recalculations, analytical procedures and inquiries.

Our engagement also included: assessing the appropriateness of the information included in the Report and the suitability of the GRI Standards used by Management in preparing the Report in the circumstances of the engagement; evaluating the appropriateness of the methods, policies and procedures used in the preparation of the Report and the reasonableness of estimates made by Management.

### **The procedures we developed based on the risk assessment included, but were not limited to, the following:**

- Inspection of the processes used by the Group to identify topics and issues material to the Group's key stakeholder groups, with the purpose of understanding such processes in the Group, as well as analysis of information from open sources on topics and issues material to key stakeholder groups of other organizations in the industry, with the purpose of determining the level of completeness of disclosure of such topics and issues in the Report;
- Interviews with Management representatives and officers at corporate headquarter level and subsidiaries regarding the sustainable development strategy and policies regulating material issues in areas of importance for the Group, stage of implementation of such policies, and procedures for collecting information on sustainable development;
- Interviews with staff at the corporate headquarter level and subsidiaries responsible for providing the information in the Report;
- Visits to the following subsidiaries:
  - LUKOIL West Siberia LLC, Kogalym, Langepas;
  - LUKOIL Komi, Usinsk;
  - LUKOIL Nizhegorodnefteorgsintez, Kstovo;
  - LUKOIL Neftochim Burgas AD, Bulgaria, Burgas, which were selected based on a risk analysis using both qualitative and quantitative criteria;
- Comparing the information presented in the Report with data from other sources to determine its completeness, accuracy and consistency;
- Assessing the completeness of qualitative and quantitative information on sustainable development against recommendations of the GRI Standards;
- Reading and analysing information on sustainable development included in the Report to determine whether it is in line with our understanding and knowledge of the Group's sustainable development activity;
- Recalculation of quantitative data and inspection of underlying documentation.

The procedures performed in a limited assurance engagement vary in nature and timing from, and are less in extent than for, a reasonable assurance engagement. Consequently, the level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is substantially lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had a reasonable assurance engagement been performed.

<b>Criteria Used</b>	To evaluate the Report, GRI Standards were used which are available at the link: <a href="https://www.globalreporting.org/standards/">https://www.globalreporting.org/standards/</a>
<b>Management's Statement</b>	Management states that the Report is prepared, in all material respects, based on the GRI Standards and is free from material misstatement.
<b>Inherent Limitations</b>	Due to the limitations inherent in any internal control structure, it is possible that errors or irregularities in the information presented in the Report may occur and not be detected. Our engagement is not designed to detect all weaknesses in the internal control system over the preparation and presentation of the Report, as the engagement has not been performed continuously throughout the reporting period, and the procedures were performed on a test basis.
<b>Conclusion</b>	Our conclusion has been formed on the basis of, and is subject to, the matters outlined in this report. We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our conclusion. Based on the procedures performed and described in this report, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that Management's statement that the Report is prepared, in all material respects, based on the GRI Standards and is free from material misstatement, is not fairly stated.



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