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To our stakeholders

In 2021 the European Union commitment to its 2030/2050 climate objectives has been reinforced after COP26 so we all focus in reaching a 55% reduction of CO2 emissions by the end of the decade.

At Nippon Gases, with our over 3.000 employees across 13 countries, we consider that industrial gases are part of the solution to get there. We continue implementing technologies, at many different industries, with the objective of reducing emissions. We have also been providing technologies for water and wastewater treatment as well as many other industrial gases applications, that reduce energy consumption and/or reduce the need for increased capacities and consequently, reduce carbon footprints for the end users.

That is what we do for and with our customers, but we are also working internally, inside Nippon Gases. We are continuously investing in new technologies and in the modernisation of our facilities to reduce specific energy consumption and, being intensive electrical energy consumers, we are committed to the reduction of our GHG emission by 35 % in the period FYE2019-FYE2029.

This year we have enrolled in UN Global Compact, and Nippon Gases fully supports the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact on human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption, which are fully in line with our sustainability strategy. Nippon Gases is willing to promote the UN Global Compact principles through the spread of our good corporate practices within our sphere of influence.

Nippon Gases has set its sustainability goals framed by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals to contribute to a better and more sustainable future. These goals are covering the Company governance and compliance, which includes a strong culture of business integrity; the Global environment, including a strong drive to reduce emissions of any sort and to reduce waste; the Society, including community engagement activities and contributing to the sustainability of our customers; and the People, targeting to be the safest company as well as a highly diverse and inclusive company.

Also this year, Nippon Gases has been honoured by EcoVadis with the Gold Metal, which positions our industry in the top 5% and recognizes our strong culture in Environment, Labor and Human Rights, Ethics and Sustainable Procurement.

Nippon Gases with its partnership with United Nations Global Compact program and strategy is reinforcing its vision, "aim to create social value through innovative gas solutions that increase industrial productivity, enhance human wellbeing and contribute to a more sustainable future".

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