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NOVATEK Announces Consolidated IFRS Results for the Year Ended 31 December 2017

Moscow, 21 February 2018. PAO NOVATEK today released its audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017 prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

IFRS Financial Highlights

(in millions of Russian roubles except as stated)

	FY 2017	FY 2016
Oil and gas sales	579,819	533,857
Other revenues	3,367	3,615
Total revenues	583,186	537,472
Operating expenses	(419,859)	(385,499)
Net gain on disposal of interests in joint ventures	-	73,072
Other operating income (loss)	424	221
Profit from operations*	163,751	152,194
Normalized EBITDA of subsidiaries*	198,335	188,781
Normalized EBITDA including share in EBITDA of joint ventures*	256,464	242,407
Finance income (expense)	14,658	(7,941)
Share of profit (loss) of joint ventures, net of income tax	22,430	90,839
Profit before income tax	200,839	308,164
Profit attributable to shareholders of PAO NOVATEK	156,387	257,795
Normalized profit attributable to shareholders of PAO NOVATEK **	156,166	133,759
Normalized basic and diluted earnings per share** (in Russian roubles)	51.78	44.31

^{*} Excluding the effect from disposal of interests in joint ventures.

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For the twelve months ended 31 December 2017, our total revenues amounted to RR 583.2 billion and Normalized EBITDA, including our share in EBITDA of joint ventures, totalled RR 256.5 billion, representing year-on-year increases of 8.5% and 5.8%, respectively. The increases in total revenues and Normalized EBITDA were largely due to an increase in average realized liquids and natural gas prices. In addition, in December 2017, after the commencement of LNG production at the first train of our Yamal LNG project, NOVATEK sold its first cargo of LNG to international markets.

Profit attributable to shareholders of PAO NOVATEK decreased to RR 156.4 billion (RR 51.85 per share), or by 39.3%, as compared to 2016. In 2016, our profit was significantly impacted by the sale of a 9.9% equity stake in Yamal LNG and by the foreign exchange differences (including at the joint ventures level). Excluding these effects, Normalized profit attributable to shareholders of PAO NOVATEK increased to RR 156.2 billion (RR 51.78 per share), or by 16.8%, as compared to 2016.

Hydrocarbon Production and Purchased Volumes

	FY 2017	FY 2016
Total hydrocarbon production, million barrels of oil equivalent (million boe)	513.3	547.0
Total production (million boe per day)	1.41	1.49
Natural gas production including proportionate share in the production of joint ventures, million cubic meters (mmcm)	63,399	67,647
Natural gas production by subsidiaries	43,113	47,510
Natural gas purchases from joint ventures	15,297	10,058
Other purchases of natural gas	8,300	8,108
Total natural gas production by subsidiaries and purchases (mmcm)	66,710	65,676
Liquids production including proportionate share in the production of joint ventures, thousand tons (mt)	11,774	12,441
Liquids production by subsidiaries	6,759	7,194
Liquids purchases from joint ventures	9,315	9,809
Other purchases of liquids	173	124
Total liquids production by subsidiaries and purchases (mt)	16,247	17,127

Hydrocarbon Sales Volumes

	FY 2017	FY 2016
Natural gas (mmcm)	65,004	64,709
including:		
Sales in the Russian Federation	64,898	64,709
Sales on international markets	106	-
Liquids (mt)	15,939	16,850
including:		
Gas condensate refined products	6,743	6,662
Crude oil	4,616	4,650
Liquefied petroleum gas	2,648	2,713
Stable gas condensate	1,918	2,812
Other oil products	14	13

In 2017, natural gas sales volumes amounted to 65.0 billion cubic meters (bcm), representing a 0.5% increase as compared to 2016, due to a slight increase in volumes sold in the Russian Federation, as well as the commencement of sales of LNG purchased from our joint venture Yamal LNG to international markets from December 2017. As at 31 December 2017, our cumulative natural gas inventory balances in the Underground Gas Storage Facilities, the Gas Transmission System and own pipeline infrastructure totaled 1.0 bcm as compared to 0.8 bcm at the end of 2016.

In 2017, our liquid hydrocarbons sales volumes amounted to 15.9 million tons, representing a 5.4% decrease in volumes sold as compared to 2016. The decrease was due to a natural decline in gas condensate production volumes at mature fields of our subsidiaries and joint ventures. As at 31 December 2017, we recorded 962 mt of liquid hydrocarbons in transit or storage and recognized as inventory as compared to 903 mt at 31 December 2016.

In 2017, we significantly increased our resource base in the main region of our activities, the YNAO and adjacent areas, including the purchase in the fourth quarter of 2017 of two producing fields (the West-Yaroyakhinskoye and the Syskonsyninskoye) contributing to our production maintenance program.

Selected Items of Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

(in millions of Russian roubles)

	31 December 2017	31 December 2016
ASSETS		
Non-current assets	890,726	831,074
Property, plant and equipment	360,051	331,795
Investments in joint ventures	285,326	259,650
Long-term loans and receivables	211,901	209,145
Current assets	153,436	132,760
Total assets	1,044,162	963,834
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Non-current liabilities	184,545	197,323
Long-term debt	141,448	161,296
Current liabilities	83,958	108,791
Total liabilities	268,503	306,114
Equity attributable to		
PAO NOVATEK shareholders	757,839	648,350
Non-controlling interest	17,820	9,370
Total equity	775,659	657,720
Total liabilities and equity	1,044,162	963,834

The full set of audited consolidated IFRS financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017, the notes thereto and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations are available on the Company's web site (www.novatek.ru).

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PAO NOVATEK is one of the largest independent natural gas producers in Russia. Founded in 1994, the Company is engaged in the exploration, production, processing and marketing of natural gas and liquid hydrocarbons. The Company's upstream activities are concentrated mainly in the prolific Yamal-Nenets Autonomous Region, which is the world's largest natural gas producing area and accounts for approximately 80% of Russia's natural gas production and approximately 16% of the world's gas production. NOVATEK is a public joint stock company established under the laws of the Russian Federation. The Company's shares are listed in Russia on Moscow Exchange (MOEX) and the London Stock Exchange (LSE) under the ticker symbol «NVTK».