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## Yamal LNG Reached Full Capacity

*Sabeta, 11 December 2018.* PAO NOVATEK (“NOVATEK” and/or the “Company”) announced today that its joint venture Yamal LNG has reached full capacity at the plant’s three LNG trains. The Yamal LNG project was implemented in record time and on budget with the launches of the second and third trains made ahead of schedule by six months and more than a year, respectively. Russian Federation Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev participated in the official ceremony commemorating this milestone event at Yamal LNG.

Yamal LNG is comprised of three liquefaction trains with a total nameplate capacity of 16.5 mmtpa, or 5.5 mmtpa per LNG train. The project is supported by a fleet of Arc7 ice-class tankers supplemented by lower ice-class designated tankers to transport LNG cargos.

More than 100 LNG cargoes have been offloaded with approximately 7.5 million tons of LNG produced and delivered to five continents – a year since the Project’s first shipment in December 2017.

“Yamal LNG is currently the largest LNG project in Russia with an aggregate share of about five percent of the global LNG market”, noted Leonid V. Mikhelson, NOVATEK’s Chairman of the Management Board. “We believe that Yamal LNG represents a unique benchmark for the global oil and gas industry in terms of project success and implementation. Moreover, the Yamal LNG project enabled us to become one of the major players in the global LNG market. Our accomplishments pave the way to create a large-scale LNG platform utilizing the prolific conventional natural gas resources on the Yamal and Gydan peninsulas as well as facilitating the achievement of our strategic goal to produce 55 - 60 mmtpa by 2030.”

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PAO NOVATEK is one of the largest independent natural gas producers in Russia, and in 2017, entered the global gas market by successfully launching the Yamal LNG project. 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 15% 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».