

LRQA Independent Assurance Statement

Relating to Panasonic Group's Environmental Data within EPEAT-compliant webpage for the fiscal year 2025

This Assurance Statement has been prepared for Panasonic Holdings Corporation in accordance with our contract.

Terms of Engagement

LRQA Limited ("LRQA") was commissioned by Panasonic Holdings Corporation ("the Company") to provide independent assurance on its environmental data within EPEAT-compliant webpage for the fiscal year 2025 (from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025) against the assurance criteria below to a limited level of assurance and materiality of the professional judgement of the verifier using ISAE 3000 (Revised) and ISO 14064-3:2019 for greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

Our assurance engagement covered the Company's operations and activities relating the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries in Japan and overseas¹, and specifically the following requirements:

- Verifying conformance with the Company's reporting methodologies based on the GHG Protocol for the selected datasets:
- Evaluating the accuracy and reliability of data for only the selected indicators listed below:^{2 3}
 - Scope 1 GHG emissions (tCO₂e)
 - Scope 2 GHG emissions (Location base and Market Base) (tCO₂e)
 - Scope 3 GHG emissions Category11 (Use of sold products) (tCO₂e)

LRQA's responsibility is only to the Company. LRQA disclaims any liability or responsibility to others as explained in the end footnote. The Company's responsibility is for collecting, aggregating, analysing and presenting all the data and information within the report and for maintaining effective internal controls over the systems from which the report is derived. Ultimately, the report has been approved by, and remains the responsibility of the Company.

LRQA's Opinion

Based on LRQA's approach nothing has come to our attention that would cause us to believe that the Company has not, in all material respects:

- Met the requirements of the criteria listed above
- Disclosed accurate and reliable environmental data

The opinion expressed is formed on the basis of a limited level of assurance⁴ and at the materiality of the professional judgement of the verifier.

LRQA's Approach

LRQA's assurance engagements are carried out in accordance with ISAE 3000 (Revised) and ISO 14064-3:2019 for GHG emissions. The following tasks were undertaken as part of the evidence gathering process for this assurance engagement:

- Auditing the Company's data management systems to confirm that there were no significant errors, omissions or misstatements in the report. We did this by reviewing the effectiveness of data handling procedures, instructions and systems, including those for internal verification.
- Interviewing with those key people responsible for compiling the data and drafting the report.
- Sampling datasets and traced activity data back to aggregated levels;
- Verifying the historical environmental data and records for the fiscal year 2025; and

¹ Energy consumption in Business activities, Energy-oriented CO₂ emissions among Scope 1 GHG emissions, Scope 2 GHG emissions cover 218 manufacturing sites and 74 non-manufacturing sites, PAVCTW, which manufactures group's EPEAT-certified products, is included in the scope. And GHG emissions other than CO₂ from energy use cover 218 manufacturing sites in the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries in Japan and overseas. CO₂ emissions in Business activities means the sum of Scope1 and Scope2 GHG emissions.

² LRQA undertook a limited assurance engagement of the environmental data marked with "*" within EPEAT-compliant webpage for fiscal year 2025.

³ GHG quantification is subject to inherent uncertainty. EPEAT-group certified notebook PCs and tablets are included in the eligible products.

⁴ The extent of evidence-gathering for a limited assurance engagement is less than for a reasonable assurance engagement. Limited assurance engagements focus on aggregated data rather than physically checking source data at sites. Consequently, the level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had a reasonable assurance engagement been performed.

- Visiting Panasonic Energy Co., Ltd. (Tokushima Factory) and Panasonic Taiwan Co., Ltd. to confirm the data collection processes, record management practices, and to physically check the main facilities in the scope of the site.
- In order to achieve practically zero CO₂ emissions, verified that each site has achieved full renewable energy use through the use of renewable energy contracts or non-fossil certificates for electricity, and each site has achieved carbon neutrality by using available carbon credits for carbon offset.⁵

Observations

In order to ensure completeness in the extraction of activities for environmental data aggregation, it is effective to be reflected it in the procedure manual and make it known to the sites.

LRQA's Standards, Competence and Independence

LRQA implements and maintains a comprehensive management system that meets accreditation requirements for ISO 14065 *Greenhouse gases – Requirements for greenhouse gas validation and verification bodies for use in accreditation or other forms of recognition* and ISO/IEC 17021-1 *Conformity assessment – Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems – Part1: Requirements* that are at least as demanding as the requirements of the International Standard on Quality Control 1 and comply with the *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants.

LRQA ensures the selection of appropriately qualified individuals based on their qualifications, training and experience. The outcome of all verification and certification assessments is then internally reviewed by senior management to ensure that the approach applied is rigorous and transparent.

LRQA is the Company's certification body for ISO 9001, ISO14001, IATF16949 and AS9100. These certification services do not compromise LRQA's independence or impartiality with respect to the assurance services that LRQA provides to the Company.

Signed



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⁵ The Company's total GHG emissions are offset by the carbon credit. While LRQA confirmed that these offset credits have been obtained by the Company and offset appropriately, but LRQA has not taken any action against the provider of these carbon credits and expresses no opinion as to whether the offset credits will result in a reduction in CO₂.