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# Independent assurance statement by Deloitte LLP to Aston Martin Lagonda Global Holdings Plc ('AML') on selected environmental indicators for inclusion in the 2018 Annual Report and the 2018 Sustainability Report.

# Scope of our work

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Aston Martin Lagonda Global Holdings Plc ('AML') engaged us to provide limited assurance on the following selected key performance data for inclusion in the 2018 Annual Report and the 2018 Sustainability Report:

### Environment

- Carbon dioxide equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e) ("carbon footprint")
  - Scope 1
    - Diesel (litres)
    - Gas (litres)
    - Petrol (litres)
  - o Scope 2
    - Electricity use (kWh)
  - o Scope 3
    - Flights (miles)
    - Employee commute (miles)
    - Management cars (miles)
    - Personal cars (miles)
    - Water consumption (m<sup>3</sup>)
- Energy consumption
  - Electricity use (kWh)
  - Gas use (kWh)

## **Our assurance opinion**

Limited assurance conclusion: Based on the assurance work performed we have concluded that for the indicators described in the scope of our work, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the indicators have not been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with AML's Basis of Reporting, as disclosed at www.astonmartinlagonda.com/ sustainability.

## Basis of our work and level of assurance

We carried out limited assurance on the selected key performance indicators in accordance with the International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (Revised) (ISAE 3000). To achieve limited assurance the ISAE 3000 requires that we review the processes, systems and competencies used to compile the areas on which we provide assurance. This is designed to give a similar level of assurance to that obtained in the review of interim financial information. It does not include detailed testing of source data or the operating effectiveness of processes and internal controls.

Our engagement provides limited assurance as defined in ISAE 3000. 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 and 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.

The basis of reporting for each assured indicator as noted above is provided at: www.astonmartinlagonda.com/sustainability

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### Limited assurance procedures performed

To form our conclusions we undertook the following procedures:

- Interviewed the Group Sustainability Team to understand the governance and review process for data management and collection, the expectations around reporting, the progress made on prior year assurance findings, the review and challenge made internally over the data and expectations of year end performance given the understanding of the operations during the year;
- Interviewed key personnel involved in the data collection, management and reporting processes, including how the information is captured at site level and how this feeds up to business level and to Group;
- Performed testing to corroborate the results of these interviews, including seeking supporting evidence for the statements made, such as a group structure that reflects the proposed boundary, documentation of reporting processes and minutes of relevant meetings; and
- Understood, analysed and tested on a non-statistical sample basis the key structures, systems, processes, procedures and controls related to the collation, validation and reporting of sustainability performance data.

## **Responsibilities of Directors and independent assurance provider**

### **AMLs responsibilities**

The Directors are responsible for the preparation of the 2018 Annual Report, the 2018 Sustainability Report and for the information and statements contained within them. They are responsible for determining the sustainability targets and for establishing and maintaining appropriate performance management and internal control systems from which the reported information is derived.

### Deloitte's responsibilities, independence and team competencies

We complied with Deloitte's independence policies, which address and, in certain cases, exceed the requirements of the International Federation of Accountants' *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* in their role as independent auditors, and in particular preclude us from taking financial, commercial, governance and ownership positions which might affect, or be perceived to affect, our independence and impartiality, and from any involvement in the preparation of the 2018 Annual Report and the 2018 Sustainability Report. The firm applies the International Standard on Quality Control 1 and accordingly maintains a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

We have confirmed to AML that we have maintained our independence and objectivity throughout the year and in particular that there were no events or prohibited services provided which could impair our independence and objectivity.

Our team consisted of a combination of Chartered Accountants with professional assurance qualifications and professionals with a combination of environmental, sustainability and stakeholder engagement experience, including many years' experience in providing sustainability report assurance.

Our responsibility is to independently express conclusions on the subject matters as defined within the scope of work above to AML in accordance with our letter of engagement. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Firm those matters we are required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than AML for our work, for this report, or for the conclusions we have formed.

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**Deloitte LLP** London, United Kingdom 27 February 2019