# INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE STATEMENT



To: Fujikura Ltd.

Bureau Veritas Japan Co., Ltd. (Bureau Veritas) has been engaged by Fujikura Ltd. (Fujikura) to provide limited assurance over sustainability information selected by Fujikura. This Assurance Statement applies to the related information included within the scope of work described below.

## Selected information

The scope of our work was limited to assurance over the following information reported internally to Fujikura Group only for the purpose of internal management for the period of April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023 (the 'Selected Information'):

- Greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 1 and Scope 2):
  - $\mathrm{CO}_2$  emissions from energy use through business operations of Fujikura Group's 22 sites within Japan
- Greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 3 Category 3):
  - Upstream emissions of fuels and electricity purchased by Fujikura Group's 22 sites within Japan
- Water usage through business operations of Fujikura Group's 22 sites within Japan
- Renewable energy usage through business operations of Fujikura Group's 22 sites within Japan

# **Reporting criteria**

The Selected Information reported internally to Fujikura Group only for the purpose of internal management needs to be read and understood together with the internal reporting criteria defined by Fujikura.

## Limitations and Exclusions

Excluded from the scope of our work is any verification of information relating to:

- Activities outside the defined verification period;
- Any other information which is not listed as the 'Selected Information'.

This limited assurance engagement relies on a risk based selected sample of sustainability data and the associated limitations that this entails. This independent statement should not be relied upon to detect all errors, omissions or misstatements that may exist.

## Responsibilities

This preparation and presentation of the Selected Information in the Report are the sole responsibility of the management of Fujikura.

Bureau Veritas was not involved in the drafting of the Selected Information or of the Reporting Criteria. Our responsibilities were to:

- obtain limited assurance about whether the Selected Information has been prepared in



accordance with the Reporting Criteria;

- form an independent conclusion based on the assurance procedures performed and evidence obtained; and
- report our conclusions to the Directors of Fujikura.

## Assessment Standard

We performed our work in accordance with International Standard on Assurance Engagements (ISAE) 3000 (Revised), Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information (Effective for assurance reports dated on or after December 15, 2015) issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

For the greenhouse gas emissions data, we undertook verification in accordance with the requirements of ISO14064-3 (2019): Greenhouse gases - Part 3: Specification with guidance for the verification and validation of greenhouse gas statements.

## Summary of work performed

As part of our independent verification, our work included:

- 1. Conducting interviews with relevant personnel of Fujikura;
- 2. Reviewing the data collection and consolidation processes used to compile Selected Information, including assessing assumptions made, and the data scope and reporting boundaries;
- 3. Reviewing documentary evidence provided by Fujikura;
- 4. Reviewing Fujikura systems for quantitative data aggregation and analysis;
- 5. Verification of sample of data back to source by carrying out three physical site visits, selected on a risk based bases at the following locations:
  - Fujikura Ltd. Head Office
  - Fujikura Ltd. Sakura Works
  - Shinshiro Cable, Ltd.
- 6. Reperforming a selection of aggregation calculations of the Selected Information;
- 7. Comparing the Selected Information to the prior year amounts taking into consideration changes in business activities, acquisitions and disposals.

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.

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.

## Verified greenhouse gas emissions

We performed our verification work on greenhouse gas emissions data in accordance with the requirements of ISO14064-3(2019).

Verified data in greenhouse gas assertion made by Fujikura are as follows.



	Greenhouse gas emissions [t-CO2e]	Boundary
Scope 1	20,230	CO <sub>2</sub> emissions from energy use through business operations of Fujikura Group's 22 sites within Japan
Scope 2	95,854 (market-based)	
Scope 3 (Category 3)	20,561	Upstream emissions of fuels and electricity purchased by Fujikura Group's 22 sites within Japan

# Conclusion

On the basis of our methodology and the activities described above:

- Nothing has come to our attention to indicate that the Selected Information has not been properly prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Reporting Criteria;
- It is our opinion that Fujikura has established appropriate systems for the collection, aggregation and analysis of quantitative data within the scope of our work.

# Statement of Independence, Integrity and Competence

Bureau Veritas is an independent professional services company that specialises in quality, environmental, health, safety and social accountability with over 190 years history. Its assurance team has extensive experience in conducting verification over environmental, social, ethical and health and safety information, systems and processes.

Bureau Veritas operates Quality Management System which complies with the requirements of globally recognized quality management standard, 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.

Bureau Veritas has implemented and applies a Code of Ethics, which meets the requirements of the International Federation of Inspections Agencies (IFIA), across the business to ensure that its employees maintain integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality, professional behavior and high ethical standards in their day-to-day business activities.

Bureau Veritas Japan Co., Ltd. Yokohama, Japan October 31, 2023

