

## INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE STATEMENT



To: Stakeholders of Agilent Technologies

### Objectives and Responsibilities

Apex Companies, LLC (Apex) has been engaged by Agilent Technologies (Agilent) to provide moderate assurance of select environmental data for Agilent's 2023 ESG Report (Report). This assurance statement applies to the related information included within the scope of work described below.

The environmental data were assured according to the reporting and assurance standards noted below.

This information and its presentation are the sole responsibility of the management of Agilent. Apex was not involved in the preparation of the Report. Our sole responsibility was to provide independent assurance on its content.

### Boundaries of the Environmental Data covered by the assurance:

- Operational Control
- Worldwide

### Environmental data assured and reviewed:

Category	Source	Quantity	Units
Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Scope 1	20,460	Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent
	Scope 2 (Location-Based)	48,159	Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent
	Scope 3 - Upstream Transportation & Distribution	78,239	Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent
	Scope 3 - Business Travel	10,360	Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent
Water	Withdrawals	338,920	Cubic meters
Hazardous Waste	Treated	1,833	Metric tons
	Incinerated	4,871	Metric tons
	Landfilled	95	Metric tons
	Recycled	2,231	Metric tons
	Total Hazardous Waste	9,031	Metric tons
Solid Waste	Composted	496	Metric tons
	Recycled	2,030	Metric tons
	Landfilled	223	Metric tons
	Incinerated	549	Metric tons
	Offsets	250	Metric tons
	Total Solid Waste	3,547	Metric tons

Data and information supporting the Scope 1 GHG emissions, Scope 2 (Location-Based) GHG emissions, waste and water assertions were primarily historical in nature.

Data and information supporting the Scope 3 GHG emissions statement were in some cases estimated rather than historical in nature.



**Period covered by assured GHG emissions:**

- November 1, 2022 to October 31, 2023

**Criteria against which assurance was conducted:**

- World Resources Institute (WRI)/World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (Scope 1 and 2 Greenhouse Gas Emissions)
- WRI/WBCSD Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Value Chain Accounting and Reporting Standard (Scope 3 Greenhouse Gas Emissions)
- Agilent Internal Company Protocol (Waste and Water)

**Assurance Protocol used by Apex:**

- The assurance engagement was performed in accordance with AccountAbility's AA1000 Assurance Standard (AS) v3 and was conducted to meet the AA1000AS v3 Type 2 *moderate* level of assurance requirements for the reported metrics.

**Level of Assurance and Qualifications**

- AA1000 AS v3 Moderate Type 2
- This assurance used a materiality threshold of  $\pm 5\%$  for aggregate errors in sampled data for each of the above indicators.
- It is possible that Scope 1 emissions are materially different than reported, as there may be additional fuels, beyond natural gas, that were not reported by the majority of manufacturing sites. The quantities of these fuels and their associated emissions are unknown at this time.

**Limitations and Exclusions**

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

- Activities outside the defined assurance period;
- Other statements and data not included in the Environmental Data Assured and Reviewed table shown above
- Reporting for non-manufacturing locations
- Positional statements (expressions of opinion, belief, aim or future intention by Agilent) and statements of future commitment; and
- Emissions associated with refrigerant losses (Scope 1 GHG Emissions).

**Summary of Work Performed**

As part of its independent assurance, Apex undertook the following activities:

1. Interviews with relevant personnel of Agilent and their consultants;
2. Review of documentary evidence produced by Agilent and their consultants;
3. Review of performance data including calculations, factors, supporting documentation and audit of a sample of which was traced back to the source data;
4. Site visit to Agilent facility in Santa Clara, California; and
5. Review of Agilent's procedures and systems for collection, aggregation, analysis and review of data



### **Assurance Opinion**

Based on the process and procedures conducted:

- Nothing has come to our attention to indicate that the GHG emissions, waste and water assertions shown above are not fairly stated in all material respects; and
- It is our opinion that Agilent has established appropriate systems for the collection, aggregation and analysis of quantitative data within the scope of this assurance for the stated period and boundaries.

### **Adherence to the AA1000 Accountability Principles**

Our assurance process included an evaluation of the reporting system for GHG emissions against the main principles of the AA1000AS v3:

- Inclusivity
- Materiality
- Responsiveness
- Impact

Based on the work undertaken during this assurance process, nothing has come to our attention that Agilent does not adhere to the Accountability Principles of inclusivity, materiality, responsiveness and impact with regard to GHG emissions reporting as discussed below.

#### **Inclusivity**

During Agilent's updates to its materiality assessment in 2023, they worked with internal and stakeholders to identify material topics, asking questions and soliciting feedback, which helped inform Agilent's identification of Climate Change and Chemicals Management as material topics for the organization. Agilent incorporates stakeholder feedback from all levels of the organization into their corporate and ESG strategy, including the measures they use to track success. Agilent's Supplier Code of Conduct engages suppliers on several ESG issues around advancement towards Agilent's net-zero by 2050 goals. Agilent manages a Procurement ESG Program for its suppliers, through which it convenes suppliers and highlights Agilent's ESG expectations for their suppliers.

#### **Materiality**

Agilent conducted a materiality assessment in 2019, to identify issues that are material based on whether they have a significant impact to stakeholders and also are important to Agilent. In the years that have followed, Agilent has made updates to that assessment through engagement with internal stakeholders in the company. In recent updates, Chemicals Management and Climate Change have been determined to be material issues by Agilent as evidenced by the publication of commitments and established goals for GHG emissions reduction in their ESG Report.

#### **Responsiveness**

Agilent has demonstrated responsiveness through their efforts to develop the GHG emissions, waste and water data subject to this assurance in response to the CDP Climate Change Disclosure request and focus on Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), specifically SDG-13 Climate Action and SBTi target setting and disclosure. Agilent participates in the EcoVadis sustainability assessment and received an EcoVadis Silver rating for 2023. Response to stakeholder issues in a broader sense is described in Agilent's ESG Report.

**Impact**

Agilent has set a goal to achieve net-zero GHG emissions by 2050, along with goals to reduce waste generation and water consumption. Agilent's SBTi targets were set and validated for a comparison against a 2019 baseline, and Agilent monitors progress towards its target against that baseline. Agilent installed new solar installations at its Delaware site and continues to explore opportunities for increased energy efficiency and renewable energy at its locations. Agilent performs robust processes to understand, measure, evaluate and manage the organization's impacts that are applied across the organization under the governance of senior management, including key cross-functional involvement. Agilent creates and discloses a comprehensive and balanced understanding of the measurement and evaluation of the organization's impacts on stakeholders and on the organization itself.

**Statement of independence, impartiality and competence**

Apex is an independent professional services company that specializes in Health, Safety, Social and Environmental management services including assurance with over 30 years history in providing these services.

No member of the assurance team has a business relationship with Agilent, its Directors or Managers beyond that required of this assignment. We conducted this assurance independently and to our knowledge there has been no conflict of interest.

Apex has implemented a Code of Ethics across the business to maintain high ethical standards among staff in their day-to-day business activities.

The assurance team has extensive experience in conducting assurance over environmental, social, ethical and health and safety information, systems and processes, has over 20 years combined experience in this field and an excellent understanding of Apex's standard methodology for the assurance of greenhouse gas emissions data.

**Attestation:**A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Megan O'Neil'.

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