COSENTINO GROUP

DNV GL Business Assurance España S.L. (“DNV”) was commissioned by Cosentino Group (“Cosentino”) to provide a limited assurance third-party verification over Selected Information presented in the SILESTONE® Sustainable Mineral HybriQ Technology® Surface brochure issued in January 2022 (the “Specification”). The claim made under SILESTONE® Sustainable Mineral HybriQ Technology® product line. SILESTONE® Sustainable Mineral HybriQ Technology® claims that the performance and behaviour by means of durability, resistance and properties of SILESTONE® is maintained. It also claims on the following aspects of sustainability:

- HybriQ Q10: maximum 10% crystalline silica
- HybriQ Q50: maximum 50% crystalline silica
- HybriQ+ Q10: maximum 10% crystalline silica and minimum 20% recycled materials, like glass
- HybriQ+ Q50: maximum 50% crystalline silica and minimum 20% recycled materials, like glass
- Energy consumption: 100% renewable electric energy
- Water consumption: 99% recycled water and 0% water discharge.

The Verification was conducted under the requirements of an “ad hoc” technical specification explicitly developed by the company for this purpose (HybriQ 03005 Product Certification, the “Criteria”).

Company is responsible for the collection, analysis, aggregation and presentation of claims provided in the Specification. Our responsibility of performing this work is to the management of the Company only and in accordance with scope of work agreed with the Company. The verification engagement is based on the assumption that the data and related information provided to us is complete, sufficient and true.

The verification was conducted in 2021, starting September 1. DNV has conducted site visit verifications of COSENTINO production plant in Cantoria-Almería, Spain. The verification period has been from September 2021 to December 2021. DNV approaches a risk-based methodology when performing verifications focusing on the material sources and processes.

Basis of our conclusion

We are required to plan and perform our work in order to consider the risk of material misstatement of the Selected Information; our work included, but was not restricted to:

- Document Review, including results of tests carried out by accredited laboratories;
- Conducting interviews with COSENTINO’s management to obtain an understanding of the key processes, systems and controls in place to generate, aggregate and report the Selected Information;
- Review of calculation methods for sustainability aspects;
- Reviewing that the evidence, measurements and their scope provided to us by COSENTINO for the Selected Information is prepared in line with the Criteria;
- Routines for gathering, aggregation and consolidation of activity data used in the calculations; and
- Organizational and operational boundaries

Our conclusion: based on the procedures we have performed and the evidence we have obtained, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Selected Information claims under SILESTONE® Sustainable Mineral HybriQ Technology® is not fairly stated and has not been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Criteria.

DNV’s Competence and Independence

DNV is a global provider of sustainability services, with qualified environmental and social assurance specialists working in over 100 countries. DNV states its independence and impartiality with regard to this verification engagement. We were not involved in the preparation of any statements or data related to Selected Information except for this Verification Statement. While we did conduct other certification and assessment work with the Company, in our judgment this does not compromise the independence or impartiality of our engagement and conclusions. DNV maintains complete impartiality toward any people interviewed.