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Russian Institute of Directors upgrades RusHydro's corporate governance rating

JSC RusHydro (ticker symbol: MOEX, LSE: HYDR; OTCQX: RSHYY) announces that the Russian Institute of Directors (RID), a non-profit partnership of Russian issuers, has upgraded its National Corporate Governance Score (NCGS) for RusHydro from 7+ (Developed Corporate Governance Practices) to 8 (Advanced Corporate Governance Practice) according to the NCGS scale.

About RID:

RID is the leading Russian consulting and education center in corporate governance which assesses the corporate governance status of major Russian companies. National Corporate Governance Score is a comprehensive assessment of the corporate governance practice of a particular company with regard to four components: shareholders' rights, membership and work efficiency of management and control bodies, information disclosure, activity in favor of other interested parties and corporate social liability.

For more detailed information on the rating procedure visit: <http://rid.ru/>

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About RusHydro

RusHydro Group is one of Russia's largest generating companies. RusHydro is the leading producer of renewable energy in Russia with over 70 generating facilities in Russia and abroad. The company also manages a number of R&D, engineering and electricity retail companies. Group's thermal assets are operated by subsidiary – RAO Energy System of East in the Far East of Russia. Total electricity generation capacity of the Group is 37.5 GW, heat capacity – 16.2 thousand GCal/h.

Russian Federation owns 66.8% in RusHydro, the rest is held by other institutional and individual shareholders (over 360,000). The company's stock is traded on the MICEX and RTS stock exchanges, and included in MSCI EM и MSCI Russia indexes. Company's GDRs in the IOB section of LSE, ADRs – in OTCQX.

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