**PRESS RELEASE**

**MAJOR AWARD TO ETİ ALÜMİNYUM, TÜRKİYE'S ONLY INTEGRATED ALUMINUM PLANT**

**One of the most successful companies in integrated pollution prevention and control**

**Eti Alüminyum was recognized as one of the most successful companies in ‘Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control’ at the ‘Evaluation of Metal Production and Processing Facilities Project’ award ceremony organized by the Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change in partnership with Karabük University within the scope of IPPC.**

*November 11, 2021 –* Cengiz Holding's subsidiary Eti Alüminyum received a highly significant award in Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control (IPPC), as it was rated among the top companies in the ‘Evaluation of Metal Production and Processing Facilities Project’ (IPPC Metal), organized every year since 2018 by the Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change / General Directorate of Environmental Management in partnership with Karabük University.

**Mehmet Arkan, General Manager of Eti Alüminyum** stated that after their plant joined Cengiz Holding in 2005, they invested a total of 600 million dollars to renew almost every part of the plant, focusing primarily on its environmental impact. Expressing their great pride in this award, Arkan said, “During this process, we made an additional investment of 15 million dollars to reduce the gas emissions at our plant. In this way, we reached a gas emission level 50% lower than the European Union norms. Likewise, with an investment of 5 million dollars, we transformed the production processes in our plant and shifted to natural gas instead of sulfur and fuel oil, previously used in production. Therefore, this award is of great importance for us.”

Reminding that Eti Alüminyum was deemed worthy of the 'Zero Waste Certificate' at the end of 2020, Arkan said that they prevented more than 2.5 tons of greenhouse gas emissions by recycling 80 tons of waste in 10 months. Underlining that they are well aware of the responsibilities they have as a company that leads the industry with an annual production of 80 thousand tons of aluminum on an area of 12 million square meters, Arkan continued as follows: “Zero waste management has become an integral part of our corporate identity. I extent my sincere thanks to our teammates for showing the necessary sensitivity to this issue. In the coming period, we will carry on our success in integrated pollution prevention by following a sustainable policy on recycling, recovery and waste disposal while making production in the most efficient way.”

**WHAT IS IPPC?**

Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control (IPPC) is a topic that the Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change has been working on for many years. To protect the environment as a whole, national budgeted and EU funded sectoral projects are carried out within the scope of IPPC, which adopts an integrated pollution prevention approach based on the best practice to reduce emissions and waste generated by industrial facilities.