



*Harnessing Energy to the Environment*

Impact assessment

**National Goals Index**

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## **Purpose of the work:**

The purpose of this work is to assess the **future potential** impact of REM activity for achieving Israeli national and international sustainability goals. This assessment refers to the annual potential impact expected from the activities of REM in accordance with the expected scope of activity. The assessment is based on data derived from an LCA analysis performed by AFRY<sup>1</sup>. In addition, the assessment is based on various assumptions (data and forecasts), which originate from visible sources of information.

## **The process of examining this index included three stages:**

1. Examination and selection of national and international sustainability goals relevant to REM's activity.
2. Modeling and estimation of the potential contribution expected to achieve these goals.
3. Analysis of the results and extrapolating conclusions derived from them.

<sup>1</sup> European consulting company specializing in infrastructure, industry, energy and digitalization creating sustainable solutions.



# **Greenhouse gas emission goals**



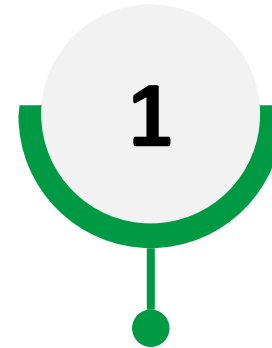
The assessment of the impact for this index was carried out according to two possible scenarios, depending on the mix of fuels used in the economy that will be used:



**Scenario 2**  
Future fuel mix  
(including REM)

The future mix of fuels in the energy sector according to expected trends, including the activity of REM.

**Half a million tons** of ash will be used for the cement industry and **half a million tons** will be used for the rehabilitation of the mine from which oil shale was mined



**Scenario 1**  
Current fuel mix  
(including REM)

The current mix of fuels in the energy sector, including the activity of REM

**Half a million tons** of ash will be used for the cement industry and **half a million tons** will be used for the rehabilitation of the mine from which oil shale was mined

## Goal details

Year of adoption:  
**July 2021**

Type of decision:  
**Government decision**

Responsible party:  
**Inter-ministerial,  
Ministry of  
Environmental Protection**

Fields of goals:  
**Reduction of waste  
treatment emissions**

Target years:  
**2050 ,2030**

## Emissions goals

85% reduction of **total greenhouse gas emissions** by 2050 and 27% reduction by 2030, with the base year being 2015

A 56% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions **from industry** by 2050 and a 30% reduction by 2030, with the base year being 2015

## Waste emission targets

A 92% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from **solid waste** by 2050 and a 47% reduction by 2030, with the base year being 2015

Reducing **municipal waste disposal** by 71% by 2030, with the base year being 2018



**-85%**

**-56%**



**-92%**

**-71%**

The Israeli  
climate law  
2021  
(in accordance  
with Israel's NDC  
for the Paris  
Convention)



Every year, a report is submitted to the Knesset Interior and Environmental Protection Committee on the implementation of the plan and the rate of reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and a forecast for the rate of greenhouse gas emissions in the coming years.

Scenario 2  
Future fuel mix  
(including REM)

Scenario 1  
Current fuel mix  
(including REM)

Compared to the current situation without REM's activity, REM's activity will **reduce** greenhouse gas emissions at per year:

59,820  
MTCO<sub>2</sub>-e

131,920  
MTCO<sub>2</sub>-e

**Reducing** these emissions accounts for

0.3%

0.6%

From the national goal of **reducing** greenhouse gas emissions by **2030**

0.1%

0.2%

From the national goal of **reducing** greenhouse gas emissions by **2050**

REM's  
contribution  
to reducing  
greenhouse  
gas  
emissions

## Scenario 2

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(including REM)

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(including REM)

Compared to the current situation without REM's activity, REM's activity will **reduce** greenhouse gas emissions at per year:

**59,820**  
MTCO<sub>2</sub>-e

**131,920**  
MTCO<sub>2</sub>-e

**Reducing** these emissions accounts for

**2.3%**

**5.1%**

From the national goal of **reducing** greenhouse gas emissions by **2030**

**1.2%**

**2.6%**

From the national goal of **reducing** greenhouse gas emissions by **2050**

REM's contribution to reducing greenhouse gas emissions resulting from waste treatment



## Goal details

Year of adoption:  
**December 2020**

Type of decision:  
**Ministry vision**

Responsible party:  
**Ministry of Energy**

Fields of goals:  
**Reducing emissions**

Target years:  
**2050 ,2025**

## Emissions goals

Reduction of 80% greenhouse gas emissions **from the energy sector** by 2050 (level 12.3 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e) when the base year 2015 (level 37.11 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e)

Reduction of between 75%-85% greenhouse gas emissions **from the electricity generation sector** by 2050 with the base year being 2015

Electricity generation from renewable energy sources by 2030

Use of coal in the electricity generation process by the end of 2025



**-80%**

**-80%**

**30%**

**0**



A vision for  
the energy  
sector, led by  
the Ministry  
of Energy

The emissions reduction goals in the energy sector relies on meeting the emissions reduction goals of complementary economies such as the transport sector and the industry sector.

Scenario 2  
Future fuel mix  
(including REM)

Scenario 1  
Current fuel mix  
(including REM)

Compared to the current situation without REM's activity, REM's activity will **reduce** greenhouse gas emissions at per year:

59,820  
MTCO<sub>2</sub>-e

131,920  
MTCO<sub>2</sub>-e

**Reducing** these emissions  
accounts for

**0.2%**

**0.5%**

From the national goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the energy sector **by 2030**

REM's  
contribution  
to reducing  
greenhouse  
gas emissions  
in the energy  
sector





# Air pollutant emission goals





## Goal details

Year of adoption:  
**March 2022**

Type of decision:  
**Government decision**

Responsible party:  
**Inter-ministerial,  
Ministry of  
Environmental Protection**

Fields of goals:  
**Reducing pollutant  
emissions**

Target years:  
**2030**

## Emissions pollutants goals

A **48% reduction in sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)** emissions by 2030, with the base year being 2018

An **18% reduction in nitrogen oxide (NO<sub>x</sub>)** emissions by 2030, with the base year being 2018

A **reduction of 9% in emissions of PM<sub>10</sub> particles and 12% in emissions of PM<sub>2.5</sub>** particles by 2030, with the base year being 2018

An **8% reduction in emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs)** by 2030, with the base year being 2018

A **32% reduction in benzene** emissions by 2030, with the base year being 2018



**-48%**

**-18%**

**-9-12%**

**-8%**

**-32%**

A national plan to prevent and reduce air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions

## Scenario 2

Future fuel mix  
(including REM)

## Scenario 1

Current fuel mix  
(including REM)

Compared to the current situation without REM's activity, REM's activity will **reduce** greenhouse gas emissions at per year:

**376 tone PM**   **1,134 tone NO<sub>x</sub>**   **2,545 tone SO<sub>2</sub>**   **260 tone PM**   **884 tone NO<sub>x</sub>**   **3,016 tone SO<sub>2</sub>**

**Reducing** these emissions accounts for

**71.8%**

Reducing the increase<sup>2</sup> in **PM** emissions until **2030**

**3.6%**

From the goal of reducing **NO<sub>x</sub>** emissions by **2030**

**13.1%**

From the goal of reducing **SO<sub>2</sub>** emissions by **2030**

**49.6%**

Reducing the increase<sup>2</sup> in **PM** emissions until **2030**

**4.6%**

From the goal of reducing **NO<sub>x</sub>** emissions by **2030**

**15.5%**

From the goal of reducing **SO<sub>2</sub>** emissions by **2030**

Expected emissions by 2030	PM	No <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>2</sub>
Base year (2018)	31,568 tone	112,076 tone	45,040 tone
Business as usual (2030)	32,092 tone	87,271 tone	25,552 tone
Expected change (without REM's activity)	<b>+524 tone</b>	<b>-24,805 tone</b>	<b>-19,481 tone</b>

<sup>2</sup>In the examined scenario of the Ministry of Environmental Protection, there was an increase of 524 tons in PM air pollutant emissions between the base year 2018 and the year 2030. Without the activity of REM'S, this increase would be reduced by 260 tons in scenario 1 and 376 tons in scenario 2.

REM's contribution to reducing air pollutant emissions





# Waste landfill --- reduction goals





## Goal details

Year of adoption:  
**December 2020**

Type of decision:  
**Ministry vision**

Responsible party:  
**Ministry of  
Environmental  
Protection**

Fields of goals:  
**Waste treatment**

Target years:  
**2030**

## Waste goals



By 2030, no more than 20% of  
municipal solid waste will be **buried**

**20%**

By 2030, 54% of the total waste will be  
**transferred for recycling**

**54%**

By 2030, 70% of the **packaging  
waste** will be recycled

**70%**

## The situation today

Today, 80% of municipal solid waste is  
buried in landfills

**80%**

Today, 14% of the total waste is recycled

**14%**

Today, 78% of packaging waste is recycled

**78%**



The goals detailed in this strategy are intended, among other things, to support Israel's transition to a circular economy by 2050 and to achieve the environmental goals specified in the Climate Law.

Strategy for a  
Sustainable  
Waste Economy  
2021–2030  
(Circular  
Economy 2050)

## Goal details

Year of adoption:  
**December 2019**

Type of decision:  
**Ministry vision**

Responsible party:  
**Ministry of Economy**

Fields of goals:  
**Reducing waste  
treatment emissions**

Target years:  
**2050**

## Emissions goals

40% reduction in **industrial  
greenhouse gas emissions** by 2050,  
with the base year being 2015



**-40%**

## Waste goals

**Recycled** mixed municipal waste

**60%**

Mixed municipal waste **landfilled**

**0**

**Recycled** construction waste

**100%**



## Specified measures to achieve the goals



**recycling  
technologies**



Process  
emissions  
reduction



Efficient  
energy use



Use of  
hydrogen



Electrification  
and renewable  
energy

The  
Ministry of  
Economy's  
Vision for  
Industry  
and Waste

REM's activity is expected to treat about 200,000 tons of plastic waste annually. This treatment diverts waste from landfills and promotes national goals for reducing landfills.

**Diversion of 200,000 tons of waste from landfills constitutes a contribution of**

**4.1%-3.8%**

**2.9%-2.7%**

From the goal of the Climate Law and the Sustainable Waste Economy Strategy to **reduce landfill waste**

From the Ministry of Economy's goal of **zero landfilled waste**

REM's  
contribution  
to reducing  
landfill waste





During the building of the impact assessment model and data analysis, several which formed a computational basic assumptions were taken into account infrastructure for the final results. The correctness of the assessment depends on the validity of these assumptions:

- The production volume of the facility will be 219,566 tons of oil per year.
- The plastic waste treatment volume of the facility will be 200 thousand tons per year.
- In the target index for reducing air pollutants, the calculation of REM's contribution is based on a comparison between the base year (2018) and the year 2030 in the Business As Usual scenario of the Ministry of Environmental Protection.
- Between 60-65 of the plastic waste treated by REM will come from a mixed municipal waste source.
- All of the waste treated by REM would have been transferred to landfills in the absence of the company's activity.
- Half a million to a million tons of the ash created as a byproduct of the company's operations will be used for the cement industry and for the restoration of the mine from which oil shale was mined.

## Our basic assumptions



# Appendices

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## **National Goal: Climate Law 2021**

A government decision made in July 2021 sets national goals on environmental issues. The goals set relate to the issues of emissions, waste, and energy and aim for 2050, with interim goals in 2030.

## **National Goal: Sustainable Waste Economy Strategy 2021–2030 and Circular Economy Transition by 2050**

The strategy, formulated in December 2020 and administered by the Ministry of Environmental Protection, addresses the issue of waste treatment in Israel and sets goals regarding the collection, treatment, recycling and disposal of waste. The strategy sets goals for Saturday 2030, with the aim of moving from a linear economy to a circular economy by 2050.

## **National goal: a vision for the energy sector, led by the Ministry of Energy**

In order to reduce the negative environmental effects of the energy sector, in December 2020, the Ministry of Energy formulated a vision and plan for the transition to sustainable energy production and utilization, with goals for 2050.

## **National goal: The Ministry of Economy's vision for the field of waste**

In order to promote a low-carbon and air pollution industry, the Ministry of Economy formulated a plan and vision for the field of waste that emphasizes the transition to a circular economy, while optimizing waste treatment methods.

## **National goal: A national plan for the prevention and reduction of air pollution**

In order to reduce the health effects arising from air pollution, as well as the resulting financial costs, the government formulated a plan to reduce emissions of major air pollutants until the year 2030.

## **International goal: Paris Convention**

As part of Israel's commitment to the Paris Convention, to which it is a signatory, in July 2021 an updated NDC (Nationally Determined Contributions) document was submitted detailing a variety of final and intermediate goals relating to greenhouse gas emissions, energy, and waste and its treatment.

# Appendix A: Details of selected national and international goals