Regulation of General Shareholders Meeting of JSC "Gazprom"

I. General provisions. Article 1. Subject and Main Guiding Principles

1.1. In accordance with the Civil Code of the Russian Federation, Federal Law "On joint-stock companies", other regulatory statutes of the Russian Federation and the Articles of Association of open joint-stock company "Gazprom" (further referred to as the Company), this Regulation defines the procedure of holding the General Shareholders Meeting.

1.2. General Shareholders Meeting is the supreme management body of the Company.

1.3. One of the main objectives of the Company, its management bodies and executive officers for holding a General Shareholders meeting is to uphold the rights and lawful interests of shareholders in connection with their participating at the meeting, timely provision to shareholders of accurate and complete information about the Company, including information pertaining to the General Shareholders Meeting agenda items; scope of information shall be defined under applicable laws and the Company Articles of Association.

1.4. The prerequisite of upholding the rights and lawful interests of shareholders is the establishment of the rules of order and procedures of holding General Shareholders Meeting so as to ensure they apply equally to all shareholders.

II. Working bodies of General Shareholders Meeting.

Article 2. Basic principles.

2.1. Working bodies of General Shareholders Meeting are comprised of: the meeting Chairman, the meeting Presidium, the Counting Board, the Drafting Committee,
the meeting Secretary.

2.2. Working bodies of the General Shareholders Meeting carry out their activities in accordance with the Federal Law "On joint-stock companies", Articles of Association of the Company and this Regulation.

2.3. Working bodies of the General Shareholders Meeting must perform their functions in a responsible, fair and reasonable manner.

2.4. The main purpose of establishing the working bodies of the General Shareholders Meeting is to ensure the shareholders can exercise their rights to participate in the meeting while it is held, to discuss agenda items and to vote on the agenda items.

**Article 3. Meeting Presidium**

3.1. The meeting Presidium is formed by the Company Board of Directors.

3.2. The Presidium of the Meeting shall act on a collective basis to coordinate the activity of the meeting bodies, set breaks in the work of the meeting, arrange answers to questions and applications of the shareholders present at the meeting, work out, where necessary, the Presidium collective opinion on specific issues, resolve on adding to the minutes of the meeting the materials (texts of speeches, messages, information etc.) received from the meeting participants.

**Article 4. Meeting Chairman**

4.1. The meeting Chairman shall be the Chairman of the Company Board of Directors, or his deputy, or the Chairman of the Company Management Committee, or persons performing such functions as per the established procedure.

4.2. The meeting Chairman shall open and adjourn the General Shareholders Meeting, chair the meeting, oversees the observance of the rules of order, arrange for the distribution of the Presidium documents and statements among the meeting attendees, maintain or restore order at the meeting, sign documents and memoranda on behalf of the General Shareholders Meeting or the Presidium to be published or submitted to the corresponding bodies and institutions, accept documents and materials from the working bodies, after consulting the Presidium announce the start and end of the breaks in the work of the meeting, and sign the minutes of the meeting.

4.3. The meeting Chairman shall have the right to interrupt the speech of a meeting participant or take the floor away from one if the latter infringes the proceedings or agenda of the meeting.

**Article 5. Counting Board**

5.1. The functions of the Counting Board shall be performed by the registrar maintaining the Company register of shareholders.

5.2. The Counting Board shall verify the authority and register persons participating in the meeting, distribute meeting materials, determine the meeting quorum, clarify any questions regarding the registration of attendees and shareholders (or their representatives’) to exercise their voting rights at the meeting, explain the voting procedure
established on the issues put up for vote, arrange the receipt by the meeting Secretary of the shareholders’ written questions which were submitted during the registration of the meeting attendees, arrange voting on the agenda using ballot boxes, maintain order during vote and observance of the shareholders’ rights to vote, count votes and summarize voting, prepare voting record, submit the voting ballots to the Company archive.

Article 6. Meeting Secretary

6.1. The meeting Secretary shall be the Secretary of the Company Management Committee or any other person appointed by the Company Board of Directors.

6.2. The meeting Secretary shall register attendees willing to take part in discussions on the agenda items, arrange for the transfer of the shareholders’ written question to the speakers, keep and sign the minutes of the meeting.

Article 7. Drafting Board

7.1. The quantity and composition of the Drafting Board shall be subject to approval of the Company Management Committee.

7.2. The functions of the Drafting Board shall be to prepare draft resolutions on the agenda items, amend draft resolutions at the end of the agenda items discussions, and prepare information materials on the meeting outcomes for the mass media.

III. Registration of Participants of the General Shareholders Meeting.

Article 8. Participants of the General Shareholders Meeting

8.1. The General Shareholders Meeting may be attended by the persons included in the list of eligible participants, their successors by way of inheritance or restructuring or their representatives acting under proxies or at law. In addition, General Meeting may be attended by invited persons included in the list of invitees.

8.2. The following persons may be included in the list of invitees to the General Shareholders Meeting:
- members of the Company Board of Directors or Management Committee;
- representatives of Company's auditor;
- members of the Company Audit Committee;
- candidates shortlisted for voting to the membership of the Company Board of Directors or Audit Committee;
- other persons as may be proposed by the members of the Company Board of Directors or Management Committee.

Article 9. Participation of Shareholders in the General Shareholders Meeting

9.1. The right to participate in the meeting may be exercised by shareholder personally or through their representatives.

The authority of shareholder’s representative must be executed in a due form.

9.2. Shareholder may participate in the General Shareholders Meeting in any of
the following ways:

attend the General Meeting and personally participate in the discussions on the agenda items and vote on them;

appoint a representative to participate in the General Meeting and entrust one with the voting rights on the agenda items;

submit to the Company in person or through a representative the voting ballots for voting on the agenda items of the General Shareholders Meeting. A ballot submitted by a shareholder’s representative must be accompanied by a duly executed power of attorney.

9.3. In the event that a share is transferred after the date of drawing up the list of persons authorized to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting, the person included into such list, prior to the date of the General Shareholders Meeting, should issue a power of attorney in favor of the transferee or vote at the General Shareholders Meeting as per instructions received from the transferee, if this is provided for by the share transfer agreement.

9.4. In the event that a Company’s share is in joint shared ownership by several entities (persons), the authority to vote at the General Shareholders Meeting shall be exercised at their discretion by one of the co-owners or by their representative.

9.5. The shareholder is entitled at any time to replace his/her representative at the General Shareholders Meeting or take part in the meeting in person.

A person having the right to vote at the General Shareholders Meeting (including a new representative acting under a power of attorney) shall be subject to registration to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting, such person shall be issued with the voting ballots if the notice of replacement (recall) of such representative was received by the Company or the Counting Board prior to the registration of the representative whose authority has been terminated.

The voting ballots received by the Company and signed by the representative acting under a power of attorney shall be deemed invalid if the Company or the Counting Board are in receipt of the notice of replacement (recall) of such representative not later than two days prior to the date of holding the General Shareholders Meeting.

Article 10. Date, Time and Place of Registration of Participants of the General Shareholders Meeting

10.1. The persons included in the list of persons having the right to vote at the General Shareholders Meeting or their representatives must be registered in order to determine the meeting quorum. Participating in the Meeting shall be deemed such shareholders as were registered to participate in the meeting, as well as the shareholders whose voting ballots were received at least two days prior to the date of holding the General Shareholders Meeting.

10.2. The date and time of the registration shall be appointed by the Company Board of Directors so as to procure ample accessibility for registration to the persons from the list of persons having the right to vote at the General Shareholders Meeting.

10.3. The place of registration of the persons participating in the General Shareholders Meeting shall be the venue of the General Shareholders Meeting.
Article 11. Registration Period of Participants of the General Shareholders Meeting

11.1. Persons eligible to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting shall be registered in such a manner as to provide them with equal opportunities for being registered to participate in the meeting.

11.2. The starting time for the registration of persons having the right to vote at the General Shareholders Meeting as well as breaks during such registration shall be determined by the Company Board of Directors. The registration start may not be appointed earlier than two days prior to the date of holding the General Shareholders Meeting.

Article 12. Registration Procedure for Participants of the General Shareholders Meeting

12.1. Any shareholder shall be registered as a participant in the General Shareholders Meeting if such shareholder is on the list of persons having the right to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting.

12.2. Any representative of a shareholder having the right to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting shall be registered as a participant in the General Shareholders Meeting, provided that such representative has documented confirmation of authority pursuant to the provisions of federal laws, regulations issued by authorized governmental agencies or local authorities, or a power of attorney to vote executed pursuant to the requirements of Article 57 of the Federal Law "On joint-stock companies".

12.3. During the registration, the participants shall provide the following documents:

- shareholder (physical person) – a personal identification document;
- representative of a shareholder (physical person) – a power of attorney issued by such shareholder and a personal identification document;
- CEO of a legal entity holding shares in the Company – a document confirming such person’s capacity as per applicable laws and a personal identification document;
- representative of a shareholder (legal entity) – a power of attorney issued by such legal entity and the representative’s personal identification document.

The successors of the persons having the right to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting shall also provide the documents evidencing the authority of such successors.

The series, number and other details of the personal identification documents or the documents evidencing the legal status of the legal entity holding shares in the Company must be the same as the details kept on file by the Company registrar. The series, number and other details of the personal identification documents of shareholder’s representative must be the same as the details specified in the corresponding power of attorney issued to the bearer.

12.4. During the registration, the participants of the General Shareholders Meeting shall be furnished with information (materials) as required by the laws of the Russian Federation, the Company Articles of Association and the internal documents of the Company. When requested by the persons being registered to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting, such persons may be provided with the voting ballots marked as
duplicates if the voting ballots previously filled in by such persons were not received by the Company in due time.

12.5. The person exercising the rights attached to the Company shares circulated outside the Russian Federation in the form of depositary securities shall notify the Counting Board of the meeting in writing during registration about the number of shares about which such person has received instructions from the owners of depositary securities.

In the event that the number of shares about which the said person has received instructions from the owners of depositary securities is different for different items of the General Shareholders Meeting agenda, such person shall notify the Counting Board of the meeting about the corresponding quantity of shares about which such person received instructions from the owners of depositary securities on each such item of the General Shareholders Meeting agenda.

**Article 13. Quorum of the General Shareholders Meeting.**

13.1. The General Shareholders Meeting held in the form of physical presence shall be opened if by the starting time of such Meeting the quorum is present for at least one of the agenda items.

Such shareholders who have registered for the Meeting, and whose ballots were received at least two days prior to the date of the meeting shall be deemed to have participated in the General Shareholders Meeting. Such shareholders whose ballots had been received by the deadline for accepting ballots shall be deemed to have taken part in the General Shareholders Meeting conducted in the form of absentee voting.

When the quorum is determined for a General Shareholders Meeting attended by a person voting on shares circulated outside the Russian Federation in the form of depositary securities, only the number of shares circulated outside the Russian Federation in the form of depositary securities about which the said person has received instructions from the owners of depositary securities will be counted.

13.2. If the agenda of the General Shareholders Meeting includes items to be voted on by different groups of voters, the quorum for voting on these items shall be determined separately. In this case, the absence of a quorum for making resolutions on items to be voted on by one group of voters shall not prevent resolutions from being made on items to be voted on by another group of voters for which a quorum is present.

**Article 14. Repeat General Shareholders Meeting**

14.1. In the absence of quorum, the General Shareholders Meeting shall be deemed to have not taken place. The resolution to deem the General Shareholders Meeting to have not taken place shall be announced by the meeting Chairman on the basis of the data submitted by the Counting Board in the form of minutes signed by the authorized officer of the Counting Board.

14.2. Should there be no quorum for an annual General Shareholders Meeting, a repeat General Shareholders Meeting shall be held with the same agenda. In the absence of
a quorum for an extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting, a repeat meeting may be held with the same agenda.

14.3. The repeat General Meeting shall be deemed to be legally qualified if attended by shareholders owning at least 30 per cent of the Company’s placed voting shares.

14.4. A notification of the repeat General Shareholders Meeting shall be made in accordance with the requirements of the Article 58 of the Federal Law "On joint-stock companies".

14.5. If the repeat General Shareholders Meeting is held within less than 40 days after the failed meeting, the persons having the right to participate in the new meeting shall be determined in accordance with the list of persons who had the right to participate in the failed meeting.

IV. Rules of order during the General Shareholders Meeting.

Article 15. Date, Time and Venue of the General Shareholders Meeting

15.1. In appointing the date, time and venue of the General Shareholders Meeting the Board of Directors shall use every necessary and reasonable effort to ensure the General Shareholders Meeting is held in the simplest and the least expensive way for the shareholders.

15.2. The General Shareholders Meeting may not be held during the night time (from 10:00 p.m. to 6 a.m. local time).

15.3. The General Shareholders Meeting shall be held in the locality where the registered office of the Company is located. The Company Board of Directors or any other persons authorized to convene the Meeting may choose any other locality in the Russian Federation as the venue of the Meeting, including the place of primary residence or primary registered location of the shareholders.

15.4. The General Shareholders Meeting may not be held in a location which cannot be accessed by public transport.

15.5. Information about the General Shareholders Meeting shall be published in a printed medium accessible to all the shareholders as determined by the Company Articles of Association.

Article 16. Rules of order during the General Shareholders Meeting

16.1. The meeting Chairman shall inform the participants of the General Shareholders Meeting about the procedure and rules of order during the meeting.

16.2. All the participants of the General Shareholders Meeting shall have equal opportunities for participating in the discussion of the agenda items according to the rules of order.

16.3. Each speaker will have up to fifteen minutes per each item on the agenda. The report on the Company performance in the expired year may be given for up to 1 hour.

16.4. In the course of the General Shareholders Meeting, any questions to speakers and applications to participate in the discussions may be made only in writing before the end of the speaker’s report, provided that any shareholder may ask only one question or make only one application. The total time for the discussion of each agenda item and the
time for each speech during the discussions shall be determined by the meeting Chairman subject to Clause 16.2 hereof and may not exceed ten minutes for each speech and thirty minutes in total for each agenda item.

The time allowed to answer the shareholders’ questions may be up to thirty minutes.

16.5. If the General Shareholders Meeting proceeds for two hours continuously, a break may be announced which must be at least fifteen minutes but not more than thirty minutes.

16.6. If the General Shareholders Meeting proceeds for four hours continuously, a break may be announced which must be at least forty minutes but not more than two hours.

16.7. If it is impossible to conduct the General Shareholders Meeting within one day, there shall be a break until the morning of the following day, provided that such continued Meeting may not start earlier than 9:00 a.m. local time.

16.8. After the end of discussions on the General Shareholders Meeting last agenda item and until the time which is allocated for voting to the participants of the General Shareholders Meeting who have not voted until this moment, the attendees of the General Shareholders Meeting shall be informed about the number of votes owned by the persons registered and/or participating in the General Shareholders Meeting up to that moment.

Article 17. General Shareholders Meeting Opening and Adjournment Procedures

17.1. The General Shareholders Meeting shall be deemed open after being declared so by the meeting Chairman.

17.2. The General Shareholders Meeting shall be deemed adjourned after being declared so by the meeting Chairman.

V. Voting rules.

Article 18. General Provisions on Voting

18.1. Vote on the agenda items during any General Shareholders Meeting shall be held using voting ballots (hereinafter - the “voting ballots”).

18.2. The form and text of the voting ballots as described in Clause 18.1 hereof shall be defined by the Company Board of Directors pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Law "On joint-stock companies" and this Regulation.


19.1. The voting ballots shall be sent to each person who has the right to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Law "On joint-stock companies" and the Company Articles of Association.

19.2. When deciding on the form and text of the voting ballots, the Board of Directors, in addition to the requirements of Article 60 of the Federal Law "On joint-stock companies", may provide for the registration number and the certification stamp to be included in the voting ballots.

19.3. If the vote is held on any item related to the election of the Company's Board
of Directors member or the Internal Audit Committee member, the voting ballot shall contain information about the candidates, including their full name.

The ballot for voting on any item related to election of the Board of Directors members shall contain explanation of the essence of cumulative vote.

19.4. The voting ballots and the items therein shall, as a rule, be numbered in the order adopted in the agenda.

19.5. The voting ballot shall contain filling instructions.

**Article 20. Vote by Voting Ballots**

20.1. When voting by voting ballots, including voting by a representative of more than one shareholder, only those votes shall be counted that contain only one voting option for any given agenda item, except when voting under the instructions from the persons who acquired shares after the date of making the list of persons having the right to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting or under instructions from the holders of depositary securities.

If a ballot form contains several items put up for voted, non-compliance with the above requirement in respect to one or several items shall not result in invalidating the entire ballot.

20.2. If during the vote count two or more voting ballots are found to be filled in by the same person and containing different voting options on the same agenda item of the General Shareholders Meeting, such voting ballots shall be deemed invalid in part of the voting on such agenda item.

The above rule shall not apply to the voting ballots signed by the person who issued a power of attorney to vote with respect to shares transferred after the date of making the list of persons having the right to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting, and/or the persons acting under such powers of attorney where in the fields left for the number of votes given for each voting option the number of votes is specified given for each voting option and relevant notes are made, including the notes confirming that the vote is held by power of attorney issued with respect to the shares transferred after the date of making the list of persons having the right to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting.

20.3. Any representative of more than one shareholder registered to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting may vote with the aggregate number of votes held by such representative. If different voting instructions are received, voting shall be by different voting ballots.

20.4. Voting ballots shall be filled in by the participants of the General Shareholders Meeting without using voting booths.

**Article 21. Invalid Voting Ballots**

Any voting ballot shall be deemed invalid if:

- the voting ballot is not signed by the shareholder (shareholder’s representative);
- the voting ballot is not filled in;
- the voting ballot is not in the required form or a copy of the voting ballot is submitted;
- the voting ballot has corrections, erasures, additional items, nominees, notes or other marks added to it;
- it is impossible to clearly identify which voting option was selected;
- the total sum of votes given for the candidates to the Board of Directors exceeds the total number of votes held by the given shareholder in cumulative vote;
- there are other reasons for the voting ballot to be deemed invalid as provided by this Regulation.

If any voting ballot was deemed invalid with reference to one, several or all agenda items put up for vote using such voting ballot, the votes attached to such voting ballot shall not be excluded when determining the quorum at the General Shareholders Meeting.

**Article 22. Vote with Shares Used under Depositary Shares Issuance Programs**

22.1. Voting with Company shares circulated outside the Russian Federation in the form of depositary securities shall only be performed in accordance with the instructions issued by the owners of depositary securities.

22.2. In the event that a person exercising the rights attached to Company shares circulating outside the Russian Federation in the form of depositary securities has voted with the number of votes that does not match the number of such shares reported to the meeting Counting Board, the said votes shall not be included in the vote count when summarizing votes of the General Shareholders Meeting.

**Article 23. Specifics of Voting for Certain Categories of Persons**

23.1. A resolution to approve a related party transaction shall be passed at the General Shareholders Meeting by the majority of the vote of all voting shareholders not related to such transaction.

23.2. If more than 30, 50 or 75 percent of shares in the Company is to be acquired, vote shall be held subject to limitations imposed by Chapter XI.1 of the Federal Law "On joint-stock companies".

23.3. If shareholders agreements are signed, vote shall be held subject to limitations imposed by Article 32.1 of the Federal Law "On joint-stock companies".

23.4. The shares owned by members of the Company’s Board of Directors, members of the Management Committee and the Chairman of the Management Committee may not vote during the election of members of the Company Audit Commission.

**VI. Minutes and Reports of the General Shareholders Meeting. Information about the Results of the Meeting. Article 24. Time and Procedure for Preparing the Vote Summary**

24.1. Following any vote, the Counting Board shall prepare a report summarizing the vote at the General Shareholders Meeting, the report shall be signed by the person
authorized by the registrar.

24.2. The vote summary shall be drawn up not later than within three work days from the closing of the General Shareholders Meeting or the deadline for accepting ballots in case of the General Shareholders Meeting was held by absentee voting.

24.3. The vote summary shall contain the following:
- the quorum of the Meeting;
- the quorum for certain items on the agenda if the latter included any items to be resolved by different groups of voters;
- wordings of the agenda items and wordings of the resolutions passed;
- the number of votes given for each resolution on each agenda item;
- the list of interested persons, the number of outstanding voting shares in the Company held by such persons and the reasons for deeming such persons interested parties (with respect to approval of an interested party transaction), and the list of members of the Board of Directors and members of the Company Management Committee with the number of outstanding voting shares in the Company they hold (with respect to electing members of the Company Audit Committee).

The vote summary shall also contain any other information as required by laws and regulations on joint-stock companies.

24.4. The vote summary shall be attached to the minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting.

24.5. Resolutions adopted by the General Shareholders Meeting, together with the vote summary, shall be announced at the meeting during which the vote was held, and shall also be communicated to the persons including in the list of persons having the right to participate in the meeting no later than 10 days after completing the vote summary as per the procedure provided for notification of the General Shareholders Meeting.

Article 25. Time and Procedure for Preparing the Minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting

25.1. The minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting shall be drawn up in two copies, no later than within 3 work days after the meeting adjournment. Both originals shall be signed by the meeting Chairman and the meeting Secretary.

25.2. The minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting shall indicate:
- full corporate name and location of the Company;
- type of the General Shareholders Meeting (annual or extraordinary)
- Form of holding the General Shareholders Meeting (joint presence or by absentee voting);
- the date of drawing up the list of persons having the right to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting;
- date of holding the General Shareholders Meeting;
- venue of holding the General Shareholders Meeting in presence (address at which the meeting has been held);
- agenda of the General Shareholders Meeting;
- start and end time of registration of the persons having the right to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting in presence;
- opening and adjournment time of the General Shareholders Meeting held in presence; in the event that resolutions adopted by the General Shareholders Meeting and vote summary for such meeting have been announced at the General Shareholders Meeting, also the time when vote counting began;
- mailing address (addresses) at which the filled in vote ballots are sent when the General Shareholders Meeting is held by absentee vote, as well as if the General Shareholders Meeting is held in presence if voting on the agenda items could have been made by sending filled in vote ballots to the Company;
- the number of votes owned by the persons included in the list of persons having the right to participate in the General Shareholders Meeting for each agenda item;
- the number of votes produced by the voting shares of the Company for each agenda item as determined by the applicable laws of the Russian Federation;
- the number of votes owned by the persons participating in the meeting for each agenda item, with indication whether quorum existed for each agenda item;
- the number of votes given for each voting option ("for", "against" or "abstained") for each agenda item with quorum;
- wordings of resolutions adopted by the General Shareholders Meeting on each agenda item;
- main points of speeches and names of speakers on each agenda item, if the meeting was held in presence;
- Chairman (Presidium) and Secretary of the General Shareholders Meeting;
- minutes date;

The Minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting shall also contain another information as required by laws On joint-stock companies.

The Minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting shall have attached to them all the documents adopted or approved by the General Shareholders Meeting and the minutes drawn up by Counting Board on vote summary.

25.3. If the General Shareholders Meeting decided to approve a major transaction, the Minutes of such Meeting as relates to such resolution shall contain the information required by Clause 4 Article 79 of the Federal Law "On joint-stock companies".

25.4. If the General Shareholders Meeting resolved to approve an interested party transaction, the Minutes of such Meeting as relates to such resolution shall contain the information required by Clause 6 Article 83 of the Federal Law "On joint-stock companies".

**Article 26. Storage and Provision to Shareholders of the Minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting**

26.1. The Company shall keep the Minutes of the General Shareholders Meetings at the registered office of the Company Management Committee during the time specified by the federal executive body regulating the securities market.

26.2. The Company shall provide the shareholders with access to the Minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting.

26.3. Within seven days following a request made by a shareholder, such
shareholder shall be furnished with the minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting for review.

26.4. When requested by a shareholder, the Company shall provide such shareholder with copies of the Minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting within seven days following receipt by the Company of the confirmation of payment for copies, with such payment not exceeding the cost of making the corresponding copies.

**Article 27. Storage of Voting Ballots**

After drawing up the vote summary and signing the minutes of the General Shareholders Meeting, the vote ballots shall be sealed by the Counting Board and handed over to the Company’s archives for safe keeping.

**VII. Final provisions**

This Regulation shall become effective at the time of its approval by the General Shareholders Meeting.

When holding the General Shareholders Meeting, the Company shall also be guided by the rules and regulations issued by the federal executive body regulating the securities market.

If any provisions of this Regulation should be in conflict with the laws of the Russian Federation and/or the Company Articles of Association, such provisions shall be deemed void and the relevant provisions of the laws of the Russian Federation and/or the Company Articles of Association shall apply.

Invalidity of any provisions of this Regulation shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions hereof and the Regulation as a whole.

When this Regulation becomes effective, it shall supersede the Procedure for Conducting the General Shareholders Meeting of Open Joint-Stock Company "Gazprom" approved by the annual General Shareholders Meeting on 26 June 1998 (Minutes No. 1).