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LUKOIL IMPROVES ITS RANK IN PLATTS TOP 250 GLOBAL ENERGY COMPANIES LIST

LUKOIL ranked 6th among European companies and 15th among global companies in the American energy agency Platts' 2006 Top 250 Global Energy Companies List.

Companies were ranked by four main criteria – asset value, revenue, profit and return on capital employed.

Valuation was performed on the basis of Standard & Poor's data which is as Platts a division of the McGraw-Hill Group.

In the 2005 Top 250 Global Energy Companies Rankings, LUKOIL held 9th and 16th places respectively.