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Analysis Legal Awareness in Sustainable Finance through the Good Corporate Governance Risk Compliance Framework under POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017

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Abstract. *The implementation of sustainable finance in Indonesia continues to face a significant gap between regulatory expectations and corporate practices, particularly in the coal mining sector. Despite the Sustainability Report requirement under POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017, environmental violations and inadequate post-mining reclamation demonstrate that formal compliance may not reflect substantive legal awareness. This study aims to examine the implementation of sustainable finance obligations and assess the legal awareness of major coal mining issuers through the Good Corporate Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GC-GRC) framework. A normative-empirical (socio-legal) approach was employed using hybrid content analysis to triangulate primary data from corporate sustainability reports with secondary data documenting thirty environmental and social violations. The findings reveal persistent greenwashing practices, where formal sustainability disclosures are inconsistent with empirical environmental performance. Most issuers demonstrate an Instrumental Legal Culture, treating compliance primarily as a means to avoid regulatory sanctions rather than as an internalized commitment to ecological justice. The study concludes that strengthening sustainable finance requires not only regulatory compliance but also the transformation of corporate legal culture through an effective GC-GRC framework and stronger institutional enforcement.*

Keywords: *Ecological Justice; GC-GRC; Greenwashing; Instrumental Legal Culture; Sustainable Finance.*

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1. Introduction

The global discourse surrounding corporate conduct has registered a tectonic paradigm shift over the preceding three decades, fundamentally dismantling the orthodox jurisprudential frameworks that have historically governed corporate entities. The classical paradigm, deeply anchored in the doctrine of shareholder primacy, evaluated corporate existence exclusively through the narrow metric of financial profitability and capital accumulation (Hidayat, 2024). However, the contemporary collective consciousness of the global community demands a multidimensional architecture of corporate accountability. Commercial entities, particularly massive corporations operating within the extractive sector characterized by high capital intensity and profound ecological footprints, are now legally and morally compelled to internalize and integrate non-financial parameters namely Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) pillars into their operational epicenters (Prabowo, 2022; Erviana, 2022; Mahendra, 2025).

This paradigmatic transformation cannot be reductively interpreted as a mere philanthropic initiative or a voluntary manifestation of corporate charity. Rather, it constitutes a responsive and highly rational maneuver confronting the empirical reality that negative externalities produced by industrial operations ranging from massive carbon emission footprints and irreversible landscape degradation to the ignition of vertical and horizontal social conflicts can no longer be externalized as non-economic variables (Ghozali, 2023; Brealey et al., 2023). In the modern economic architecture, these externalities have mutated into material financial risks possessing the capacity to decimate corporate reputation, trigger massive environmental litigation, and ultimately extinguish the entity's going concern over the long horizon. This existential imperative has subsequently crystallized into a holistic and uncompromising global mandate: Sustainable Development.

The contemporary sustainability agenda has evolved through a series of international legal and policy milestones, including the Stockholm Conference, the Brundtland Report, the Rio Earth Summit, the Paris Agreement, and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which collectively established sustainability as a global governance framework (Agoest, 2023; Yulianto, 2024; Sands & Peel, 2024). Indonesia has subsequently incorporated these commitments into its national legal system through Law Number 16 of 2016 on the ratification of the Paris Agreement and Presidential Regulation Number 59 of 2017 on the implementation of the SDGs. Consequently, sustainability has become not merely an international policy aspiration but a binding legal obligation for both public institutions and private corporations operating within Indonesia.

Initially categorized as soft law within the anatomy of public international law, these commitments have undergone a progressive domestication process, transmuting into hard law within sovereign jurisdictions, including the Republic of Indonesia.

Adopting the doctrine of incorporation, Indonesia formally ratified the Paris Agreement via Law Number 16 of 2016, establishing a rigorous juridical obligation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through the Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC). Simultaneously, the execution of the 17 SDGs was structurally infiltrated into the national development architecture via Presidential Regulation Number 59 of 2017, dictating that the SDGs transcend elitist international aspirations to become positive legal norms demanding absolute compliance from both state apparatuses and private corporations operating within Indonesian jurisdiction.

Within the domestic economic landscape, the energy extraction sector specifically the coal mining industry occupies a highly strategic yet profoundly paradoxical position (Jaringan Advokasi Tambang & Greenpeace Indonesia, 2018; Yulianto, 2024; Ramadhan, 2025; Setiawan, 2025). Historically serving as the primary pillar for national energy security and generating massive non-tax state revenue (*Penerimaan Negara Bukan Pajak*/PNBP), the industry's operational genetics are inherently carbon-intensive, bequeathing a highly destructive ecological footprint and persistently intersecting with complex sociological conflicts. This socio-economic reality places coal industry actors under the most stringent juridical scrutiny within the contemporary sustainability discourse (Anwar, 2023). Seven major publicly listed coal mining issuers constitute the empirical focus of this research.

In response to these sustainability challenges, Indonesia strengthened its regulatory framework through Financial Services Authority Regulation (*Peraturan Otoritas Jasa Keuangan*/POJK) No. 51/POJK.03/2017 on Sustainable Finance, which requires issuers and public companies to integrate sustainability principles into their business operations and publish annual Sustainability Reports as instruments of corporate accountability (Indrati, 2024; Mahendra, 2025). The importance of this regulation is particularly evident in the coal mining sector, where Indonesia's continued economic reliance on coal production necessitates stronger governance mechanisms to ensure that sustainability commitments are implemented substantively rather than merely reported formally (Setiawan, 2025; Ramadhan, 2025). Despite the relentless global campaign for renewable energy transition, Indonesia's coal production in 2023 shattered historical records, reaching a staggering 775 million tons. This quantitative reality broadcasts a lucid sociological message: the state's economic dependence on coal extraction will persist in the medium term due to path dependency.

Coal mining directly affects multiple sustainability dimensions, particularly environmental protection (SDGs 6, 13, and 15), social welfare (SDGs 8 and 10), and governance integrity (SDG 16). Environmental degradation, labour vulnerabilities, community conflicts, and governance failures collectively demonstrate why the sector occupies a central position in Indonesia's sustainable finance agenda (Ramadhan, 2025; Putra, 2026). Drawing a causal nexus from these realities yields a specific premise requiring normative substantiation: Corporate compliance with SDG

13 necessitates absolute transparency in calculating Greenhouse Gas emissions and formulating credible decarbonization roadmaps. Concurrently, adherence to SDG 15 demands the execution of functional-ecological reclamation plans, transcending mere administrative ceremonies designed to evade licensing sanctions.

Transitioning from theoretical construction to the sociology of law, an essential disparity emerges between the normative expectations (*das sollen*) mandated by POJK 51/POJK.03/2017 and the empirical operational reality (*das sein*) of coal extractive entities within the Indonesian jurisdiction (Anwar, 2023). This legal chasm manifests through extreme discrepancies in sustainability reporting quality, the amplification of manipulative greenwashing tactics, and fundamental philosophical contradictions between extractive business models and prescriptive SDG targets (Lestari, 2023). Consequently, the Sustainability Report, architected by the state as an instrument of absolute transparency, risks degenerating into a superficial box-ticking exercise utilized solely to nullify formal administrative sanctions (Soekanto, 2021; Agoest, 2023; Sands & Peel, 2024; Nugraha, 2024).

To bridge the anomaly between the law on paper and law in action, the implementation of an ESG architecture deeply rooted in GCG integrity is an absolute prerequisite (*conditio sine qua non*). POJK 51/POJK.03/2017 does not operate in a legal vacuum; it is a meta-regulation necessitating corporations to transparently disclose their substantive compliance with specific sectoral hard laws (Prabowo, 2022). For instance, compliance demands absolute adherence to Law Number 32 of 2009 (UUPPLH), specifically Article 69 paragraph (1) letter a, which imperatively prohibits environmental pollution. Similarly, the regulation acts as a barometer for the implementation of Law Number 13 of 2003 concerning Manpower (specifically occupational safety) and the mandatory Corporate Social Responsibility stipulated in Article 74 of Law Number 40 of 2007 concerning Limited Liability Companies. Furthermore, operational realities must be evaluated against Law Number 3 of 2020 (*Undang-Undang Mineral dan Batubara*/UU Minerba), particularly Article 96 letter c and Article 100, which enforce the implementation of Good Mining Practices and mandate reclamation guarantee funds.

Despite this formidable, multi-tiered regulatory fortress (*das sollen*), the empirical data harvested from the sociological field (*das sein*) presents a grim portrait of persistent non-compliance. A preliminary observation of thirty cases of corporate negligence across the seven locus emitters corroborates that the quality of legal culture specifically corporate legal awareness remains stagnant at an instrumental level (Arifin & Santoso, 2024). These thirty empirical cases, extracted from investigative reports, civil society monitoring, and verified journalistic documentation, expose a systemic failure across the Environmental, Social, and Governance spectrums. Environmental findings reveal the contamination of watersheds by toxic acid mine drainage, the lethal abandonment of un-reclaimed mining voids resulting in civilian fatalities, aggressive deforestation under the guise of borrow-to-use forestry permits (*Izin Pinjam Pakai Kawasan Hutan*/IPPKH), and the emission of highly toxic particulate matter (PM 2.5) that devastates public health. Social findings highlight intense agrarian tenurial conflicts, the exploitation of outsourced labor, the suppression of labor unions (union busting), and the illusion of community empowerment where corporate presence actively perpetuates the resource curse. Governance findings expose endemic corruption risks hidden behind complex beneficial ownership structures, the pathological conflict of interest generated by the infiltration of Politically Exposed Persons (PEPs) into corporate boards, and the functional paralysis of internal whistleblowing systems.

The culmination of these governance failures manifests in the syndrome of greenwashing a deliberate misrepresentation of material facts smuggled into the pages of official OJK Sustainability Reports (Baskoro, 2023). Through asymmetric reporting, issuers provocatively amplify positive metrics (e.g., nominal CSR donations) while strategically obfuscating or omitting catastrophic negative impacts. Within the paradigm of Indonesian legal sociology, this image-laundering cannot be trivialized as a mere public relations crisis; it uncovers an archaic socio-legal pathology deeply entrenched within corporate anatomies: a profound deficiency in legal consciousness (Anwar, 2023). The values of compliance have only been adopted symbolically, driven by a defensive posture to evade financial penalties rather than an internalized commitment to ecological sustainability.

An extensive mapping of preceding literature confirms the urgency of dissecting this *das sein* anomaly. While prior scholarly works have extensively analyzed specific facets of extractive compliance such as water stewardship, the impact of blasting vibrations, the illusion of FPIC, and the phenomenon of beneficial ownership a critical tri-fold research gap persists (Mahardika, 2023; Rachmat, 2025). First, a Theoretical Gap exists: no prior research has operationalized Lawrence M. Friedman's Theory of Legal Culture to diagnose the compliance of a symbolic legal subject (the corporation) against POJK 51/2017 (Nugroho, 2023; Widjaja, 2024; Cendana, 2024; Adinugroho, 2025). Second, a Conceptual Gap remains: literature has failed to explicitly position the GC-GRC architecture as the tangible organizational manifestation of a corporation's legal consciousness. Third, an Empirical-Holistic Gap is evident: previous studies have maintained a fragmented perspective, lacking a comprehensive methodology that violently juxtaposes sanitized sustainability reports directly against a consolidated matrix of thirty empirical *das sein* violations across seven market-dominating coal empires.

Addressing these theoretical, conceptual, and empirical voids generates an absolute juridical-academic imperative to execute this research. Consequently, the formulated research problems seek to determine how the disparity in legal awareness levels (formalistic vs. internalized compliance) triggers the substantive failure of POJK No.

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51/POJK.03/2017, and to what extent the manipulation of GC-GRC reporting qualifies as corporate *mens rea* necessitating the activation of the Piercing the Corporate Veil doctrine and Corporate Criminal Liability within Indonesian jurisprudence.

Building upon these theoretical, conceptual, and empirical gaps, this study addresses the following research questions:

1. How is the implementation of sustainable finance under POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017 reflected in the legal awareness of coal mining issuers in Indonesia?
2. To what extent does the Good Corporate Governance–Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GC-GRC) framework reflect substantive legal compliance or merely instrumental legal awareness in implementing sustainability obligations?

What legal and institutional reforms are required to strengthen corporate legal awareness and ensure the effective implementation of sustainable finance obligations in Indonesia?

2. Research Methods

To meticulously deconstruct the profound epistemological and empirical friction between normative regulatory mandates and corporate behavior, this study adopts a normative-empirical, socio-legal research methodology (Marzuki, 2023). This methodological architecture is deliberately engineered to transcend conventional doctrinal analyses, which predominantly evaluate the internal coherence of statutory texts (*das sollen*), by explicitly interrogating the *law in action*. The investigation systematically isolates the juridical chasm existing between the prescriptive mandates of Financial Services Authority Regulation Number 51/POJK.03/2017 alongside the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the operational reality (*das sein*) demonstrated through thirty documented empirical ESG violations and pervasive greenwashing tactics executed by the seven locus issuers.

Functioning intrinsically as a project-based thesis, the research deploys a collective case study approach, treating the seven market-dominating coal conglomerates PT Bukit Asam Tbk (PTBA), PT Indo Tambangraya Megah Tbk (ITMG), PT Bumi Resources Tbk (BUMI), PT Bayan Resources Tbk (BYAN), PT Dian Swastatika Sentosa Tbk (DSSA), PT Indika Energy Tbk (INDY), and PT Golden Energy Mines Tbk (GEMS) as distinct yet interconnected socio-legal phenomenological entities. To execute a rigorous quantification of the inherently abstract concept of "legal awareness," the study operationalizes a descriptive-quantitative content analysis framework. This hybrid analytical mechanism bridges qualitative legal texts with measurable diagnostic proxies.

The primary data corpus consists exclusively of the official Sustainability Reports (SR) published by the seven entities spanning the fiscal periods of 2019 to 2023, encompassing the immediate aftermath of the POJK 51/2017 promulgation. Secondary data, functioning as the comparative *das sein* baseline, comprises an exhaustive compilation of statutory hard laws (including the Environmental Protection and Management Law, the Mineral and Coal Mining Law, and the Financial Sector Development and Strengthening Law), alongside robust empirical documentation of thirty severe socio-ecological violations triangulated from supreme court jurisprudence, civil society investigative reports, and the Ministry of Environment and Forestry's PROPER ratings.

Data analysis is executed through a sophisticated four-stage hermeneutic continuum. The initial phase, Data Condensation, meticulously filters thousands of pages of corporate disclosures, isolating variables strictly correlated with the environmental, social, and governance trajectories dictated by the 17 SDGs. The second phase constructs the "Legal Awareness Audit Matrix," an unprecedented diagnostic tool that evaluates corporate compliance against Lawrence M. Friedman's Grand Theory of Legal Culture. Within this matrix, disclosures are systematically scored: a score of 3 designates an "Instrumental Legal Culture" (characterized by formalistic compliance and severe contradictions between reported data and field reality), while a score of 4 denotes an "Internalized/Normative Legal Culture" (evidencing authentic substantive compliance and seamless alignment between the sustainability report and actual corporate conduct) (Friedman, 1975). The subsequent qualitative interpretation phase utilizes Tom R. Tyler's Theory of Compliance and contemporary GC-GRC frameworks to diagnose the ontological roots of the issuers' stagnation at the instrumental compliance level, ultimately culminating in verified conclusions regarding corporate *mens rea* and structural accountability.

3. Result and Discussion

3.1 Legal Awareness in the Implementation of Sustainable Finance under POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017

The overarching transformation of the corporate legal paradigm shifting violently from the archaic doctrine of shareholder primacy toward a holistic model of stakeholder capitalism has crystallized into absolute imperative law within the Indonesian jurisdiction (Hidayat, 2024). Financial Services Authority Regulation Number 51/POJK.03/2017 operates as the supreme lex specialis dismantling traditional corporate governance and risk compliance (GC-GRC) architectures across the financial services sector, issuers, and public companies. Through this regulatory apparatus, the 17 Sustainable Development Goals, which historically languished in the realm of unenforceable international soft law, have been unequivocally

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transmuted into binding positive hard law. A rigorous dogmatic deconstruction of this regulation elucidates the highly specific obligations, absolute prohibitions, and punitive mechanisms governing each pillar of the sustainability matrix.

The Absolute Obligation to Execute the 17 SDGs the fundamental juridical obligation is incontrovertibly codified in Article 2 paragraph (1), which dictates that financial service institutions, issuers, and public companies are unconditionally mandated to implement sustainable finance principles within their core business operations. This operationalization is mechanically enforced through the mandatory submission of a Sustainable Finance Action Plan (RAKB) and the annual publication of a Sustainability Report, as stipulated in Article 10 paragraph (1). Academically, this statutory requirement establishes the implementation of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as an integrated corporate obligation, beginning with the social and welfare dimension embodied in SDGs 1–5. Within this framework, extractive corporations are legally required to incorporate financial inclusion, social equity, and community welfare into their operational strategies. Compliance with SDG 1 (No Poverty) and SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) requires the implementation of measurable economic empowerment initiatives that address structural poverty within concession areas. At the same time, fulfilling SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being), SDG 4 (Quality Education), and SDG 5 (Gender Equality) obliges corporations to maintain rigorous occupational health and safety (OHS) standards, provide inclusive capacity-building programs, and eliminate gender-based discrimination across all levels of corporate operations (Nugroho, 2023).

The Economic and Environmental Governance Paradigm (SDGs 6-12): Article 2 implicitly mandates the stringent internalization of environmental and social risk management. This necessitates fulfilling SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation) and SDG 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy) by guaranteeing strict hydrological efficiency and engineering a decisive transition toward renewable energy portfolios. Pertaining to SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth) and SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure), the legal obligation is to stimulate authentic green financing innovations. Concurrently, SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities), SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), and SDG 12 (Responsible Consumption and Production) compel issuers to ruthlessly mitigate negative externalities, including toxic particulate pollution and hazardous waste (B3) disposal, ensuring that community spatial planning remains habitable and ecologically intact (Utami, 2023).

The Ecological and Institutional Integration Paradigm (SDGs 13-17): The mandates to mitigate climate change (SDG 13), preserve marine ecosystems (SDG 14), and restore terrestrial ecosystems (SDG 15) are legally enforced through the Sustainability Report's requirement to meticulously disclose carbon footprints and execute post-mining land reclamation. Finally, SDG 16 (Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions) and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals) are mandated through strict adherence to anti-corruption governance principles and the obligation to forge legitimate public-private partnerships, rather than utilizing corporate social responsibility (CSR) as a facade for political lobbying (Oktaviani, 2023; Siregar, 2025).

Implicit Prohibitions within the Sustainability Framework While POJK 51/2017 does not allocate a dedicated chapter exclusively to prohibitions, the prohibitive legal construction is generated a contrario from the obligations themselves. Corporations are strictly forbidden from engaging in greenwashing or manipulating socio-environmental data to mislead the investing public (Prabowo, 2022; Baskoro, 2023; Widjaja, 2024). Across the social spectrum (SDGs 1-5), labor exploitation, discriminatory remuneration, and financing operations that trigger structural poverty are absolutely prohibited. Within the ecological domain (SDGs 6-12), it is illegal to finance or operate projects that violate surface water quality standards, monopolize public energy resources, or dispose of hazardous waste outside certified treatment installations. Regarding institutional integrity (SDGs 13-17), there is an absolute ban on financing illicit deforestation, destroying coral reefs via logistical negligence, and executing political lobbying that compromises the independence of environmental regulatory bodies (Gunawan, 2023).

The Architecture of Administrative Sanctions For corporate entities exhibiting a culture of defiance, the coercive power of the state is manifested through Chapter V of the regulation. Article 13 paragraph (1) stipulates that entities violating the core provisions including the failure to publish an accurate Sustainability Report under Article 10 shall be subjected to administrative sanctions comprising written reprimands or formal warnings. Paragraph (2) explicitly extends these punitive measures to issuers and public companies. Consequently, a failure to genuinely achieve or transparently report on the 17 SDGs in alignment with empirical field facts (das sein) culminates in immediate governance downgrades, severe reputational risks, and escalating administrative penalties orchestrated by the Financial Services Authority (Wicaksono, 2023). To operationalize the abstract meta-regulation of POJK 51/2017, the Financial Services Authority promulgated Circular Letter (Surat Edaran Otoritas Jasa Keuangan/SEOJK) Number 16/SEOJK.04/2021 (Widjaja, 2024). This technical instrument functions as the definitive technocratic matrix, bridging theoretical sustainability concepts with highly quantifiable and qualifiable reporting indicators, thereby intentionally obliterating any residual information asymmetry within the capital markets (Cahyani & Sugeng, 2023).

Pursuant to Appendix II, Section G (Disclosure List), public corporations are compelled to dissect their operational performance into a rigid matrix representing the 17 SDGs. Under Indicator B.3, issuers are required to disclose comprehensive social performance data, including remuneration ratios between male and female employees to demonstrate progress toward SDG 5, detailed statistics on workplace accidents and the effectiveness of Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) committees to support SDGs 3 and 8, and measurable assessments of community empowerment programs to evaluate contributions toward the eradication of poverty and hunger in surrounding operational areas in line with SDGs 1 and 2. In addition, corporations must provide comprehensive disclosures regarding anti-corruption policies and implementation as evidence of institutional integrity under SDG 16 (Gaol, 2024).

Indicator B.2 further requires issuers to disclose detailed environmental and economic performance through quantitative sustainability indicators. Corporations are obligated to report Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions across Scopes 1, 2, and 3 as a principal measure of climate action under SDG 13, while also disclosing energy consumption intensity measured in gigajoules and the proportion of renewable energy utilization to assess compliance with SDG 7. To demonstrate alignment with SDGs 6 and 14, issuers must quantify surface and groundwater extraction in megaliters and report the chemical quality of wastewater prior to its discharge into public water bodies. Furthermore, mandatory disclosures concerning post-mining land reclamation and biodiversity conservation are required to demonstrate compliance with SDG 15 (Santoso, 2022).

Prohibitions Against Transparency Washing The derivative prohibitions entrenched within this Circular Letter focus relentlessly on eradicating the dissemination of fictitious data a phenomenon academically termed transparency washing. Corporations are strictly prohibited from manipulating Lost Time Injury (LTI) statistics to mask catastrophic occupational safety failures, and they are forbidden from disguising formalistic, elite philanthropy as authentic community empowerment. Regarding ecological metrics, it is unequivocally illegal to obscure emission intensities, present fabricated water balance sheets that ignore groundwater depletion, or utilize carbon accounting methodologies lacking independent, third-party scientific validation. Crucially, the regulation categorically forbids the concealment of pending legal disputes, human rights violations, or agrarian tenurial conflicts with indigenous communities; every material legal friction must be transparently declared (Prabowo, 2022; Lubis, 2023).

The Punitive Repercussions for Technical Non-Compliance As the technical enforcement arm of the reporting regime, violations concerning the formatting, content, and empirical veracity of data within SEOJK 16/2021 trigger the punitive mechanisms of the parent regulation (Effendi, 2026). Issuers failing to present the Cross-Reference Index for the 17 SDGs according to the precise format of Appendix II, or those caught publishing das sollen data that violently contradicts the das sein ecological reality, face escalating sanctions. The initial sanction involves the OJK's outright rejection or returns of the Sustainability Report, immediately precipitating a catastrophic loss of confidence among global institutional investors. Should the regulator detect deliberate informational fraud such as the calculated manipulation of SDG targets the act is instantly reclassified as a severe violation of the fundamental disclosure principle within capital market law, unlocking severe administrative retributions ranging from operational license suspensions to forced delisting (Hakim, 2024).

The regulatory framework established by Financial Services Authority Regulation (POJK) No. 51/POJK.03/2017 was subsequently reinforced through the enactment of Law Number 4 of 2023 concerning the Development and Strengthening of the Financial Sector (Undang-undang Pengembangan dan Penguatan Sektor Keuangan/UU P2SK). Rather than replacing POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017, the P2SK Law provides a stronger statutory foundation for sustainable finance by elevating ESG integration from a sectoral regulatory obligation into a broader component of Indonesia's financial system governance (Senda, 2025; Putra, 2026). This legislative development strengthens the legal position of sustainable finance within the national financial architecture and demonstrates the government's commitment to integrating economic growth, environmental protection, and social responsibility through financial regulation (Wicaksono, 2023; Quraisy, 2024).

The relationship between the two legal instruments is complementary. POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017 functions as the operational framework governing sustainability reporting, ESG implementation, and sustainable finance practices among financial institutions and public companies, whereas the P2SK Law reinforces these objectives through broader institutional authority, regulatory coordination, and financial sector governance. Consequently, the implementation of sustainable finance should not be interpreted solely as compliance with reporting obligations but as the integration of sustainability principles into corporate governance, investment decisions, and long-term business strategies. This integrated legal framework subsequently becomes the normative benchmark for assessing corporate legal awareness among coal mining issuers (Ramadhan, 2025; Siregar, 2025).

3.2. GC-GRC as a Reflection of Corporate Legal Awareness and Compliance

The jurisprudential architecture established by the Financial Services Authority through POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017 constructs a rigorous normative expectation (*das sollen*). However, a forensic socio-legal excavation of the operational realities (*das sein*) across seven market-dominating coal conglomerates PT Bumi Resources Tbk (BUMI), PT Bayan Resources Tbk (BYAN), PT Dian Swastatika Sentosa Tbk (DSSA), PT Golden Energy Mines Tbk (GEMS), PT Indika Energy Tbk (INDY), PT Indo Tambangraya Megah Tbk (ITMG), and PT Bukit Asam Tbk (PTBA) reveals a systemic and calculated evasion of these sustainability mandates. The empirical data, synthesized from supreme court verdicts, civil society investigations, and the Ministry of Environment and Forestry’s audit matrices, meticulously documents thirty distinct categories of hard law violations (Jaringan Advokasi Tambang, Kaltim, 2014). These infractions expose a pervasive corporate culture where Good Corporate Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GC-GRC) frameworks are weaponized not as instruments of ecological justice, but as sophisticated mechanisms for *governance-washing* and informational asymmetry (Mahendra, 2025).

The most glaring contradictions between corporate sustainability disclosures and field realities manifest within the environmental domain, specifically concerning the desecration of hydrological matrices and the abandonment of post-mining landscapes.

For instance, PT Bumi Resources Tbk (BUMI), operating through its primary affiliates in the Sangatta region, has been repeatedly implicated in the catastrophic mismanagement of Acid Mine Drainage (AMD). Empirical evidence from regional administrative courts demonstrates that toxic effluent has systematically breached settling ponds, contaminated the Sangatta watershed and annihilated the communal right to clean water (SDG 6) and marine ecosystem integrity (SDG 14). Rather than disclosing these ecological torts which trigger absolute strict liability under Article 88 of the Environmental Protection and Management Law (*Undang-Undang Perlindungan dan Pengelolaan Lingkungan Hidup*/UU PPLH) the corporation's Sustainability Report engages in brazen eco-washing, censoring the environmental devastation while disproportionately amplifying marginal philanthropic initiatives, such as the donation of communal water reservoirs (Murwadji, 2023; Senda, 2025).

Equally egregious is the widespread phenomenon of void abandonment, a practice characterizing the operations of PT Bukit Asam Tbk (PTBA), PT Indo Tambangraya Megah Tbk (ITMG), and PT Golden Energy Mines Tbk (GEMS). Despite the unequivocal mandate of Article 161B of the Mineral and Coal Mining Law (UU Minerba), which criminalizes the failure to execute post-mining land reclamation, these entities routinely leave massive, toxic open-pit craters un-backfilled (Kaltim Today, 2021). In the case of GEMS and PTBA, these abandoned voids have transformed into lethal reservoirs of acid mine drainage that permanently poison underlying aquifers and have tragically claimed the lives of dozens of local inhabitants, directly violating SDG 3 and SDG 15 (Kusuma, 2022). The corporate reporting architecture deliberately obscures these fatalities and the staggering deficit in reclaimed acreage, presenting investors with highly curated, localized photographs of revegetation that mask the macro-level destruction of the terrestrial biosphere.

Furthermore, the logistical supply chains of these conglomerates generate profound environmental externalities that are systematically excised from their greenhouse gas (GHG) and pollution inventories. PT Bayan Resources Tbk (BYAN) and ITMG have orchestrated maritime logistics operations along the Mahakam River and the Bontang coast that indiscriminately discharge massive volumes of toxic coal dust (PM 2.5) and coal spills directly into the estuary. This logistical negligence obliterates benthic coral ecosystems and paralyzes the subsistence economy of traditional fishermen. Concurrently, entities such as PT Dian Swastatika Sentosa Tbk (DSSA) and PT Indika Energy Tbk (INDY) perpetuate aggressive deforestation beyond the coordinates stipulated in their Borrow-to-Use Forestry Permits (IPPKH), obliterating secondary forest buffers essential for hydrological retention. While these corporations broadcast ambitious “Net-Zero 2050” commitments to satisfy OJK’s climate change mandates (SDG 13), their unchecked expansion of open-pit excavations and the deliberate omission of Scope 3 emissions from their public disclosures constitute actionable securities fraud and material misrepresentation within the capital markets (Prabowo, 2022).

The social governance pillar, theoretically designed to ensure equitable stakeholder engagement and labor protection, is routinely perverted by these extractive empires into a theater of exploitation. The empirical record demonstrates a systemic failure to respect the principle of Free, Prior, and Informed Consent (FPIC), a foundational tenet of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) (Ginting, 2025; Rachmat, 2025).

The territorial expansion of PT Bayan Resources Tbk (BYAN) and PT Bumi Resources Tbk (BUMI) in East Kalimantan provides a harrowing jurisprudential precedent. Corporate security apparatuses, frequently operating in tandem with rogue state elements, have executed coerced evictions of indigenous Dayak communities, violently annexing ancestral customary lands (*Tanah Ulayat*) (Fadli, 2022; Bedner, 2022; Darma, 2025). Corporate litigators aggressively exploit the indigenous populations' lack of formal state-issued land certificates to legally downgrade their ancestral sovereignty to mere “usage rights,” thereby suppressing civil compensation to arbitrary, non-negotiable sums (*tali asih*) (Kusuma, 2022; Simarmata, 2022; Farhan, 2024). In their OJK Sustainability Reports, these brutal agrarian annexations are grotesquely repackaged as harmonious “communal partnerships,” a calculated act of social-washing that actively conceals the perpetuation of intergenerational structural poverty (SDG 1 and SDG 10).

In the realm of occupational health and safety (SDG 8), the reports submitted by DSSA and GEMS exhibit a high degree of statistical manipulation designed to fabricate an illusion of “Zero Fatalities.” This statistical mirage is achieved through demographic segregation: premium safety protocols and insurance are exclusively reserved for organic corporate staff, while thousands of outsourced laborers operating under precarious sub-contractor arrangements are systematically excluded from the corporation's ISO 45001 safety matrix. When fatal incidents occur, such as the collapse of pit walls burying outsourced miners, the parent corporation technically and legally disassociates itself, omitting the mortality data from its consolidated sustainability disclosures. This deliberate exclusion exploits the privity of contract to evade the vicarious liability doctrines, leaving the families of the deceased trapped in absolute destitution while the corporation flaunts its flawless safety record to institutional investors (Simanjuntak, 2021; Ali, 2025).

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Moreover, the suppression of civil liberties and labor rights remains endemic. INDY and ITMG have been implicated in severe anti-union activities (union busting) and the strategic deployment of Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation (SLAPP). Activists and local farmers protesting the lethal inhalation of coal dust are frequently criminalized, while union leaders attempting to organize outsourced labor face immediate, retaliatory termination (Simanjuntak, 2024). These repressive tactics fundamentally contradict the human rights narratives broadcasted in the corporations' ESG profiles, exposing a corporate culture that utilizes structural violence to secure its operational continuity. The catastrophic failures observed in the environmental and social domains are symptomatic of a deeper ontological decay within the governance architecture of these corporations. The GC-GRC mechanisms, which are statutorily required to function as the central nervous system for risk mitigation and ethical oversight, have been functionally paralyzed, operating instead as sophisticated facades to obscure white-collar criminality.

The integrity of GEMS and DSSA’s governance structures was fundamentally dismantled by anti-corruption court verdicts detailing systemic bribery. Judicial records confirm that corporate funds, ostensibly earmarked and accounted for as Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) expenditures, were actively laundered to bribe regional legislative officials in exchange for the illicit issuance of port and mining licenses (Oktaviani, 2023). This blatant subversion of ISO 37001 (Anti-Bribery Management Systems) reveals that the anti-corruption policies paraded in their Sustainability Reports are entirely performative. Furthermore, the internal Whistleblowing Systems (WBS) mandated by the OJK are routinely censored; complaints regarding executive involvement in land-grabbing or ecological negligence are systematically deleted by the risk committees to ensure the corporation’s ESG scores remain untarnished on the stock exchange (Fadli, 2022; Bedner, 2022; Yulianto, 2024; Kurniawan, 2024).

The opacity of corporate ownership presents another severe governance pathology. BYAN and several affiliated entities have masterminded complex, multi-layered shareholding architectures utilizing offshore shell companies in secrecy jurisdictions. This deliberate obfuscation of Ultimate Beneficial Ownership (UBO) directly violates Presidential Regulation Number 13 of 2018. By maintaining this corporate veil, the controlling oligarchs insulate their personal assets from strict liability claims arising from ecological disasters at the operational sites, while simultaneously facilitating aggressive Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) and transfer pricing schemes. These tax evasion maneuvers deprive the state of the critical fiscal revenues required to fund sustainable development, directly undermining SDG 16 and SDG 17 (Gunawan, 2023).

The infiltration of Politically Exposed Persons (PEPs) including retired military generals and political elites into the Boards of Commissioners further exacerbates this governance crisis. Their presence paralyzes the independence of the oversight committees, engendering a severe conflict of interest. When the imperative to maximize short-term shareholder dividends clashes with the obligation to report material ESG risks, the risk committees, heavily influenced by these PEPs, systematically downgrade the severity of socio-ecological conflicts. Consequently, massive agrarian disputes and severe environmental degradation are reclassified as minor “operational residues” and excised from the Sustainability Reports (Hidayat, 2024).

To analytically synthesize this profound divergence between the *das sollen* of POJK 51/2017 and the *das sein* of corporate malfeasance, this study operationalizes Lawrence M. Friedman's Grand Theory of Legal Culture. Friedman postulates that the efficacy of any legal system is ultimately dictated by its legal culture the internalized values, ideologies, and attitudes of the legal subjects toward the law (Friedman, 1975). When applied to the symbolic legal subject of the corporation, this culture is manifested through the tone at the top: the ethical posture of the Board of Directors and Commissioners in designing and executing the GC-GRC architecture.

The forensic audit of the seven locus issuers from 2019 to 2023 incontrovertibly diagnoses the majority (specifically BYAN, DSSA, GEMS, and ITMG) as suffering from an acute pathology of “Instrumental Legal Culture.” Within this degraded cultural paradigm, compliance with the 17 SDGs and OJK regulations is entirely devoid of moral internalization or a genuine commitment to Ecological Justice. Instead, compliance is approached with a predatory, calculative rationality; it is viewed exclusively as a burdensome regulatory liability. These corporations construct highly reactive and defensive GRC systems designed solely to satisfy the superficial, paper-based disclosure requirements of the regulators a phenomenon known as tick-the-box compliance.

In an Instrumental Legal Culture, the Sustainability Report is not a mechanism of transparency but an instrument of deception. The corporate executives leverage sophisticated legal and public relations consultants to author documents that perfectly mimic the nomenclature of the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) (Cendana, 2024). However, because the underlying consciousness of the board remains fixated on ruthless profit maximization at the expense of the biosphere, the resulting reports are inherently asymmetric. They engage in *omission* the deliberate deletion of data concerning lethal acid mine drainage, the use of state apparatus to intimidate indigenous populations, and the staggering volume of Scope 3 emissions.

This instrumentalism confirms that the GC-GRC frameworks within these coal empires operate merely as cost centers utilized for damage control, completely failing to function as value drivers that embed the principles of Ecological Justice (*Keadilan Ekologis*) into the corporate DNA. The executives possess a high degree of “Legal Knowledge” regarding the regulatory thresholds of the OJK, but their “Legal

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Behavior” is fundamentally manipulative (Rahardjo, 2025). They calculate that the financial benefits of ignoring reclamation duties and suppressing labor costs exponentially outweigh the negligible administrative reprimands currently levied by the OJK.

Conversely, the study notes a nascent, albeit fragile, transition toward an “Internalized/Normative Legal Culture” within specific entities, notably INDY and PTBA. Forced by the shifting tides of global green financing and the uncompromising mandates of the new UU P2SK, these entities have begun to genuinely integrate climate risk into their Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) systems. However, even this transition is marred by the inherent contradictions of state-owned enterprises (like PTBA) facing conflicting mandates between maximizing non-tax state revenue (PNBP) and preserving the environment, leading to a persistent *governance fallacy* were bureaucratic compliance masquerades as authentic sustainability.

Ultimately, the analysis of the GC-GRC implementation proves that without the coercive integration of strict corporate criminal liability, the current soft-law approach of POJK 51/2017 is entirely inadequate. The instrumental legal awareness characterizing these conglomerates ensures that they will continuously exploit regulatory vacuums, utilizing sophisticated governance-washing to secure green investments while simultaneously funding the irreversible destruction of the Indonesian archipelago. This necessitates an immediate paradigm shift toward mandatory legal forensic audits to shatter the corporate veil and enforce genuine, substantive compliance.

3.3. Legal and Institutional Reform for Strengthening Sustainable Finance Implementation

The strengthening of Indonesia's sustainable finance framework through the P2SK Law also demonstrates that regulatory reform alone is insufficient to ensure substantive compliance. Although the law significantly expands the legal foundation of sustainable finance and strengthens the institutional authority of the Financial Services Authority (OJK), the empirical findings reveal that legal effectiveness ultimately depends on the willingness of corporations to internalize sustainability principles beyond formal disclosure requirements (Prasetyo, 2024; Simanjuntak, 2024). Accordingly, strengthening corporate legal awareness requires not only comprehensive legislation but also effective governance mechanisms capable of translating statutory obligations into corporate behaviour.

From a legal policy perspective, the integration of POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017 and the P2SK Law should therefore be accompanied by institutional reforms that strengthen supervisory capacity, improve ESG verification mechanisms, enhance the quality of sustainability reporting, and reinforce accountability throughout the corporate governance process. The GC-GRC framework provides an appropriate governance model for bridging this normative-empirical gap because it integrates governance, risk management, and regulatory compliance within a single institutional architecture (Mahendra, 2025). Such an approach enables sustainability obligations to evolve from formal regulatory compliance into an internalized corporate legal culture consistent with the objectives of sustainable finance (Tarigan, 2024).

The architecture of sustainable economic law in Indonesia does not function in fragmented isolation; rather, it coalesces into an inescapable "Financial Law Trinity" that locks corporate compliance from upstream strategy to downstream disclosure. The flawless synchronization between POJK 51/2017 (Policy Philosophy), SEOJK 16/2021 (Technocratic Matrix), and UU P2SK (Statutory Supremacy) creates a relentless legal determinism that forces the realization of the 17 SDGs (Widjaja, 2024; Quraisy, 2024; Effendi, 2026).

This synchronization reaches its absolute zenith concerning the preservation of the biosphere. POJK 51/2017 establishes the foundational mandate for corporations to apply environmental and social risk management principles (Widjaja, 2024; Prasetyo, 2024). Consequently, when a coal mining issuer discharges toxic operational effluent into a public river, this act automatically violates the disclosure parameters mandated by Indicator B.2 of SEOJK 16/2021 regarding water pollution intensities (SDG 6) (Ramadhan, 2025). Within the overarching jurisdiction of UU P2SK, this defective and sanitized SEOJK reporting is instantly reclassified as a material distortion of financial information. Furthermore, the global obligation to transition toward clean energy (SDG 7) and execute definitive decarbonization (SDG 13) is institutionalized by UU P2SK through the operationalization of the Carbon Exchange. The statute coercively forces issuers to slash their greenhouse gas emissions in strict accordance with SEOJK standards. Failing to achieve these reductions does not merely violate the administrative parameters of the OJK; it constitutes a direct, actionable assault on the architecture of the nation's green exchange rate stability, vigilantly guarded by the supreme mandates of UU P2SK (Qamar, 2022; Quraisy, 2024). This interlocking legal trinity ensures that environmental, social, and governance commitments transcend public relations rhetoric, mutating into a living, measurable, and scientifically verifiable legal ledger enforced by the state.

To transcend the limitations of documentary analysis and penetrate the psychological locus of corporate decision-making, this research conducted a qualitative forensic interrogation involving top-tier management representatives from PT Indo Tambangraya Megah Tbk (ITMG). The analytical dissection of this qualitative transcription systematically obliterates the facade of corporate environmental morality, exposing the raw, calculative *mens rea* (guilty mind) that drives the extractive industry's approach to sustainability.

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The interrogation revealed a profound and deliberate cognitive dissonance regarding the corporation's commitment to SDG 13 (Climate Action). While ITMG's public Sustainability Reports broadcast an ambitious trajectory toward decarbonization, the executive testimony confirmed that the cessation of extractive operations (phase-out) is never predicated upon an internalized moral imperative to mitigate global climate collapse (Nugraha, 2024; Rahardjo, 2025). Instead, the operational lifespan of a mining pit is dictated exclusively by an unyielding trinity of capitalist determinants: the absolute exhaustion of economically viable coal reserves, the catastrophic collapse of global commodity pricing, and the inescapable imposition of state regulatory coercion (*regulatory coercion*). This candid admission serves as incontrovertible jurisprudential evidence; it legally validates the hypothesis that the corporation operates entirely within Lawrence M. Friedman's domain of "Instrumental Legal Culture." Compliance is not a manifestation of ecological ethics, but a reluctant, mathematically calculated capitulation to external pressures.

Furthermore, the interrogation revealed that the corporation's widely promoted shift to underground mining constituted a form of eco-washing rather than a genuine environmental strategy. While presented as a means of reducing surface-level impacts, underground mining continues fossil fuel extraction and contributes equally to Scope 3 greenhouse gas emissions. Instead, the transition conceals deforestation from satellite and public monitoring, improving the appearance of Sustainability Reports and protecting green financing portfolios. This evidence demonstrates that the GC-GRC framework functioned as a mechanism of corporate deception rather than authentic sustainability.

The current Indonesian regulatory architecture, operating in a profoundly fragmented state, treats Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) compliance and customary agrarian land administration as disjointed, mutually exclusive legal universes (Hardianto, 2025; Darma, 2025). This artificial bifurcation has permitted multinational coal empires to exploit the structural weaknesses of the Basic Agrarian Law (*Undang Undang Pokok Agraria*/UUPA) while simultaneously harvesting the financial rewards of the sustainable finance ecosystem governed by the Financial Services Authority (OJK) (Harsono, 2022; Erviana, 2022). To permanently eradicate the systemic practice of social washing and ensure absolute, intergenerational sustainable legal certainty for indigenous populations, the Indonesian state must execute a radical jurisprudential pivot (Halim, 2024; Wijaya, 2024). The legal system must unconditionally abandon its historical reliance on reactive, localized civil litigation a domain where indigenous communities are inherently disadvantaged by rigid evidentiary burdens and pivot toward a proactive, systemic administrative and financial penalization framework orchestrated directly by federal capital market regulators.

The historical reliance on self-authored, paper-based disclosures has proven completely obsolete and demonstrably ineffective against modern, well-capitalized public corporate entities. Articles 10 and 12 of POJK 51/2017, alongside the technical matrices of SEOJK 16/2021, must be immediately amended to incorporate an uncompromising clause mandating “Independent Forensic Investigative Audits”. The ratification of a corporate sustainability report by the OJK can no longer be predicated upon a superficial desk review of PDF documents (Effendi, 2026).

The OJK is legally compelled to forge a Cross-Ministerial Task Force integrating the investigative powers of the Ministry of Environment and Forestry (KLHK), the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources (*Energi dan Sumber Daya Mineral*/ESDM), and the National Commission on Human Rights (*Komisi Nasional Hak Asasi Manusia*/Komnas HAM) to execute unannounced, randomized *ground truthing* (field verification) protocols. Every corporate claim regarding successful land reclamation (SDG 15), the eradication of water pollution (SDG 6), and the harmonious resolution of community disputes (SDG 16) must be rigorously validated against geospatial satellite imagery and the uncoerced testimonies of indigenous councils.

Should this forensic audit uncover a discrepancy such as the discovery of fabricated emissions data or the lethal abandonment of toxic mining voids the OJK must instantly invoke Article 228 of Law Number 4 of 2023 concerning the Development and Strengthening of the Financial Sector (UU P2SK). This statute explicitly criminalizes the dissemination of materially false or misleading information that influences securities pricing, imposing a maximum custodial sentence of ten years and astronomical fines reaching Rp100,000,000,000.00 (one hundred billion rupiah). The act of injecting fictitious reclamation data or censoring agrarian conflicts within a public report must be unequivocally prosecuted as Material Market Manipulation.

The capital market regulatory authority must urgently promulgate a new Circular Letter that radically redefines the boundaries of *materiality*. Historically, extractive issuers have exploited the ambiguity of the “materiality threshold” to systematically conceal violent land disputes, agrarian disenfranchisement, and fatal occupational accidents, utilizing the cynical justification that the financial costs of these tragedies do not significantly impact the corporation's macro-financial viability. Under the paradigm of Global Governance Law, this definition constitutes a severe jurisprudential fallacy (Darmawan, 2023).

Violations of human rights, the destruction of indigenous living spaces (SDGs 1, 3, 11), and severe ecological degradation must be statutorily reclassified as “Absolute Material Risks.” Issuers discovered to have censored data from their internal Whistleblowing Systems (WBS) regarding agrarian conflicts or environmental bribery must face immediate, non-negotiable trading suspensions (*suspend*) on the Indonesia Stock Exchange. By stripping corporations of the autonomy to dictate which crimes are deemed “material,” the state reclaims its sovereignty over truth in the capital markets, ensuring that institutional investors are no longer defrauded by sanitized risk assessments.

Relying upon the supreme mandate of UU P2SK, the era of wrist-slapping administrative reprimands as previously enshrined in Article 13 of POJK 51/2017 must be permanently dismantled. The OJK has been endowed with potent, independent investigative authority (Widjaja, 2024; Irwansyah, 2024). If a mining issuer is proven to have manipulated greenhouse gas emission trajectories to artificially inflate the valuation of its green equity (violating SDG 13), or if it is discovered diverting green banking credit to finance the excavation of new coal pits (*Stranded Assets*), the corporate directors and commissioners must be indicted for White-Collar Crimes in Sustainable Finance (Qamar, 2022).

The enforcement mechanism must transcend monetary fines, which multi-billion-dollar conglomerates routinely absorb as mere operational expenditures. The judiciary must enforce sweeping asset forfeiture protocols and impose multi-trillion-*rupiah* penalties specifically designed to inflict a permanent *deterrent effect* within the bourse. Furthermore, the imposition of the Corporate Death Penalty executed via mandatory delisting from the stock exchange and the permanent revocation of operational licenses must be normalized for entities demonstrating a recidivist pattern of gross environmental and human rights violations.

To address the targets stipulated in SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals) and SDG 16 concerning global institutional integrity, the fragmented reporting systems of the Indonesian state must be aggressively amalgamated into a real-time, cross-jurisdictional panopticon. The ESG reporting database of the OJK and the Indonesia Stock Exchange must be interconnected synchronously with the core tax systems of the Ministry of Finance, the MINERS/MOMI licensing platforms of the Ministry of ESDM, and the occupational safety databases of the Ministry of Manpower (Hardianto, 2025).

This technological legal integration is the ultimate weapon against the sophisticated practices of Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) and Transfer Pricing. Multinational extractive corporations frequently engineer asymmetrical financial realities: declaring massive operational losses to the tax authority to evade corporate taxes and mandatory CSR obligations, while simultaneously presenting highly inflated profitability and sustainability metrics to the capital markets to attract global investors (Prasetyo, 2024). Absolute, algorithmic transparency will instantly flag these discrepancies, ensuring that the public-private partnership funds declared in the Sustainability Report are derived from legitimate net profits, entirely untainted by money laundering or tax evasion schemes.

To effectively cure the pathology of Instrumental Legal Culture, the state must engineer a legal environment where the psychological calculus of the corporate elite

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shifts drastically: the fear of losing physical freedom must utterly eclipse the fear of losing profit margins. The Supreme Court must routinely and aggressively apply the doctrine of *Piercing the Corporate Veil*.

Utilizing the legal architecture of Presidential Regulation Number 13 of 2018 concerning the Identification of Beneficial Ownership of Corporations, legal accountability must no longer terminate at the expendable echelon of the Board of Directors. The long arm of the law must reach the Ultimate Beneficial Owners (UBO) the oligarchs operating behind the labyrinthine structures of offshore shell companies. By executing civil and criminal liability directly against the controlling shareholders whose directives result in ecological devastation or the violent annexation of customary lands, the state dismantles the shield of limited liability (Kusuma, 2022; Hidayat, 2024; Darma, 2025). The credible threat of personal impoverishment and custodial sentences for the ultimate puppeteers of the extractive industry is the solitary mechanism capable of forcing the internalization of Ecological Justice (*Keadilan Ekologis*) across the entire corporate sector.

The calculative rationality of corporate entities which unapologetically delays the cessation of fossil fuel extraction until the total depletion of commercial deposits must be forcefully neutralized by the sovereign authority of the constitution. The Ministry of ESDM, acting in synergy with the KLHK, is jurisprudentially obligated to enact Government Regulations derived directly from Law Number 16 of 2016 concerning the Ratification of the Paris Agreement. This regulation must impose an absolute, mathematically inflexible Carbon Budget quota upon every active Mining Business License (*Izin Usaha Pertambangan*/IUP/*Izin Usaha Pertambangan Khusus*/IUPK).

The deadline for the total phase-out of extractive operations cannot be dictated by the profit-and-loss ledgers of corporate boards; it must be dictated exclusively by the planetary countdown of the climate crisis. Issuers that rebel against these quotas, or those that cynically pivot to underground mining as a subterfuge to conceal deforestation while continuing to extract hydrocarbons, must be subjected to immediate and unilateral license revocation. Invoking Article 119 of Law Number 3 of 2020 concerning the Amendment to the Mineral and Coal Mining Law, the state must seize the operational assets of non-compliant entities without granting the corporation any right to international arbitral recourse (Ramadhan, 2025). This uncompromising assertion of state sovereignty is the ultimate safeguard ensuring that sustainable finance law operates not as a shield for corporate exploitation, but as the supreme guardian of the nation’s ecological future.

4. Conclusion

This study demonstrates a substantial gap between the normative objectives (*das sollen*) of Indonesia's sustainable finance framework and its empirical

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implementation (*das sein*) among the seven dominant coal mining issuers. Although Financial Services Authority Regulation (POJK) No. 51/POJK.03/2017 mandates Sustainability Reports and the integration of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles through Good Corporate Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GC-GRC), empirical evidence indicates that these obligations have not translated into substantive corporate legal awareness. Instead, sustainability reporting frequently functions as a formal compliance mechanism rather than a genuine commitment to ecological justice.

The analysis identified thirty significant Environmental, Social, and Governance violations, demonstrating that sustainability disclosures often conflict with actual corporate practices. Judicial decisions and independent investigations reveal inconsistencies between reported sustainability commitments and environmental performance, including failures in ecosystem restoration, community protection, governance integrity, and labor accountability. These findings indicate that formal compliance under POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017 remains vulnerable to greenwashing and fails to ensure meaningful implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The reliance of the Financial Services Authority (OJK) on disclosure-based supervision, coupled with the limited deterrent effect of administrative sanctions under Article 13 of POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017, further weakens regulatory effectiveness. Such practices are inconsistent with the objectives of Law Number 4 of 2023 concerning the Development and Strengthening of the Financial Sector (UU P2SK) and Law Number 32 of 2009 concerning Environmental Protection and Management (UU PPLH).

Furthermore, the application of Lawrence M. Friedman's theory of legal culture and the qualitative findings from PT Indo Tambangraya Megah Tbk (ITMG) demonstrate that corporate legal consciousness remains predominantly characterized by an Instrumental Legal Culture, where compliance is viewed primarily as a strategy to minimize regulatory risk and secure financial benefits rather than as an internalized legal and ethical obligation. Therefore, strengthening Indonesia's sustainable finance regime requires not only improved disclosure requirements but also stronger enforcement mechanisms, effective verification and supervision, and the integration of strict corporate liability to ensure that sustainable finance obligations under POJK No. 51/POJK.03/2017, UU P2SK, and UU PPLH are implemented substantively rather than symbolically.

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