



PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

CLIMATE FRIENDLY PTY LTD

**ORGANISATION CERTIFICATION
CY2020**

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NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY: Climate Friendly Pty Ltd

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 January 2020 – 31 December 2020

Declaration

To the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this Public Disclosure Statement is true and correct and meets the requirements of the Climate Active Carbon Neutral Standard.

Signature

Date

22 November 2021

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Position of Signatory: Co-Chief Executive Officer



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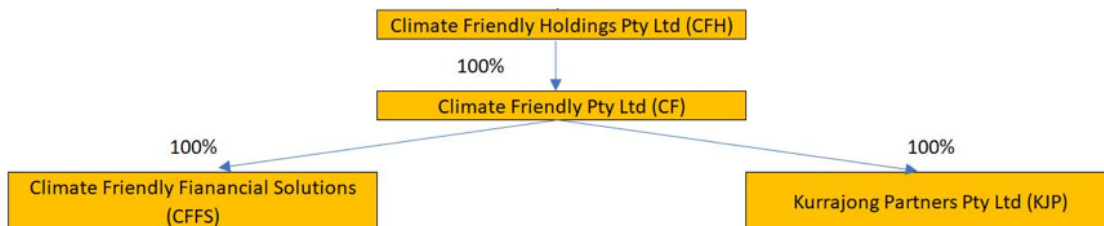


1. CARBON NEUTRAL INFORMATION

Description of certification

This certification covers the Australian business operations of the Climate Friendly Group for 2020. The Climate Friendly Group includes four companies, namely Climate Friendly Holdings Pty Ltd (ABN 51 630 141 034), and wholly owned subsidiaries Climate Friendly Pty Ltd (ABN 65 107 201 025), Climate Friendly Financial Solutions Pty Ltd (ABN 91 161 023 276), and Kurrajong Partners Pty Ltd (ABN 93 615 043 260). See Climate Friendly Group structure below.

“Being certified carbon neutral with Climate Active is one of the ways we demonstrate our purpose to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 100Mt by 2025.”



Organisation description

Climate Friendly was established in 2003 to make a material contribution to tackling the climate challenge and achieving a zero net emission Australia by 2050. We do this by supporting rural, regional and remote Australians including landholders, foresters and traditional custodians to reduce Australia’s greenhouse gas emissions and regenerate the landscape through carbon farming. As a profit-for-purpose company, all our activities are focused on achieving large scale emissions reduction impacts, while delivering economic, social and environmental benefits.

The Climate Friendly Group provides a full range of carbon farming project services from assessment, through to managing project registration and compliance, reporting on project implementation, carbon credit issuance and trading. We have nationwide reach, and a network of project managers who live on the land and in rural communities. Our carbon farming partners’ projects either remove carbon from the atmosphere and store it in the land or prevent greenhouse gases from entering the atmosphere through the implementation of sustainable management practices.

The revenue gained by our partners from their projects helps to support businesses and livelihoods for families and communities as they regenerate the land. Our driving purpose is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and regenerate the land. Sustainability of our own business practices has long been an important part of how we work and our company culture. We have for many years-maintained carbon neutral business operations. We have a well-established staff Sustainability Working Group that monitors performance, reviews our internal policies, and implements new sustainability initiatives to reduce our environmental footprint. Climate Friendly supports the widespread adoption of appropriate, evidence based national standards such as Climate Active. Consistent with our environmental commitment we are pleased to have the opportunity to certify our carbon neutral status with Climate Active.

2. EMISSION BOUNDARY

Diagram of the certification boundary



Non-quantified sources

We have included publications in the non-quantification section. This is due to Climate Friendly having access to data related to this service, however since it is imbedded within greater communications costs, we are unable to breakdown which cost relates to publications. An uplift factor has been applied.

Data management plan

No data has been listed as “data unavailable”. However, we will continue to work on our systems and process to ensure that the level of data which we retain by Climate Friendly and provide to Climate Active is up to standard.

Excluded sources (outside of certification boundary)

Although natural gas is a deemed relevant emission under the organisation certification, we do not use natural gas and as such it has not been included in PDS or carbon inventory.

“It’s vital we work together to achieve change at scale and reach net zero 2050. Climate Active helps develop that community of organisations committed to effective, evidence-based action on climate.”

3. EMISSIONS SUMMARY

Emissions reduction strategy

Climate Friendly has had a long-term commitment to reducing our operational emissions and this is overseen by a dedicated staff Sustainability Working Group. This group monitors implementation and develops proposals to further improve the sustainability practices of the company, covering the full range of reduce, reuse, recycle.

Current actions taken by the company include:

- Office recycling system, with staff sorting rubbish into multiple categories including paper, organics, soft plastics and mixed
- E-waste recycling a minimum of once annually (including computer hardware and batteries)
- Purchase of green power for our Sydney office
- Regular sustainability training to promote sustainable practices in regional offices and at home
- Sustainable procurement policy
- Sustainability roadmap for the company to ensure all procedures and processes are undertaken with the utmost integrity towards sustainability
- Staff competition for lowest emission travel to annual staff catch up
- Use of reusable coffee cups at our Sydney office by staff and guests
- Event catering using environmentally sustainable food and reusable or recyclable containers and utensils
- Use of video conferencing facilities where appropriate and possible to avoid unnecessary travel
- Sustainable fit out of Sydney office, including reused furniture, energy efficient lighting and low emissions floor cover
- Regional travel using low emissions transport (i.e. public transport or hybrid or electric cars) wherever possible
- Modelling Climate Friendly's growth in advance to plan what additional sustainability standards we can implement to reduce emissions earlier
- Continuation of Climate Active certification

The Sustainability Working Group will continue to review the company's environmental footprint and develop new initiatives to further reduce our emissions profile.

Emissions over time

There has been a significant decrease in the emissions since base year. The decrease in emissions mainly came from:

- Air Transport
- Waste
- Electricity
- Land and Sea Transport

We have also included Legal Services as a new emissions source, which has had an impact on the Carbon Inventory. We have incorporated this information into the report as it has become an available feature in the Carbon Inventory, and because we have the data to incorporate.

Table 1

Emissions since base year			
	Base year and Year 1: 2019	Current year Year 2: 2020	
		221	120
	<i>Total tCO2e</i>		

Emissions reduction actions

The largest decreases in emissions, as mentioned above, came from Air Transport, Waste, Electricity, and Land and Sea Transport.

The decreased emissions from land and sea transport, waste and accommodation are generally linked to the Covid-19 pandemic, where we were not in our Sydney Office i.e., not using the waste services available to us, and we we're not travelling for a significant period within the 2020 year i.e., no need for accommodation.

The decrease in electricity has come as a direct result from Climate Friendly changing energy providers to PowerShop.

Additionally, a further decrease in emissions came from the Covid-19 related lockdowns, which resulted in all staff working from home. I.e., no emissions were spent on coming into the office.

Emissions summary (inventory)

Table 2

Emission source category	tonnes CO ₂ -e
Accommodation and facilities – Domestic hotel 2 stars	0.072982
Accommodation and facilities – Domestic hotel 3 stars	1.89059
Accommodation and facilities – Domestic hotel 4 stars	3.843737
Accommodation and facilities – Domestic hotel 5 stars	0.708971
Air transport – very short flights (<400km)	14.53702
Air transport – short economy class flights (>400km, <3,700km)	2.580537
Bespoke – Carbon neutral products and services: Powershop	0
Electricity (location-based)	42.261
Food & catering	4.706122
Telecommunications	3.843529
Train	2.589077
Bicycle	0
Walk	0
Bus	1.287621
Diesel: Large Car	8.553111
Motorbike: Large (500cc+)	3.30925
Petrol: Large Car	0.55753
Ferry : Foot passenger	0
Ride Share - national average	0.089613
Taxi - National Average	0.099215
Printing and stationery	1.546138
Paper Products	0.036198
Mailing services: parcels, postal and courier	0.676475
Legal services	30.00354
General waste (municipal waste)	5.776
Garden and green	1.696
Recycling	0

Water supply and wastewater treatment - Sydney	0.59499
calculator - Result B Total	-11.971
<i>Total Net Emissions</i>	119.2882

Uplift factors

Table 3

Reason for uplift factor	tonnes CO ₂ -e
0.2% to account for publications	0.239
<i>Total footprint to offset (uplift factors + net emissions)</i>	119.5272

Carbon neutral products

The carbon neutral products and services used by Climate Friendly in the 2020 calendar year was Powershop electricity. It was used for most of the year.

Electricity summary

Electricity was calculated using a location-based approach.

Market-based approach summary

Market Based Approach	Activity Data (kWh)	Emissions (kgCO ₂ e)	Renewable Percentage
Behind the meter consumption of electricity generated	0	0	0.0%
Total non-grid electricity	0	0	0.0%
LGC Purchased and retired (kWh) (including PPAs)	0	0	0.0%
GreenPower	0	0	0.0%
Jurisdictional renewables	0	0	0.0%
Residual Electricity	37,890	40,853	0.0%
Large Scale Renewable Energy Target (applied to grid electricity only)	9,067	0	19.3%
Total grid electricity	46,957	40,853	19.3%
Total Electricity Consumed	46,957	40,853	19.3%
Electricity renewables	9,067	0	
Residual Electricity	37,890	40,853	
Exported on-site generated electricity	0	0	
Emission Footprint (KgCO ₂ e)		40,853	

Emission Footprint (TCO₂e)	41
LRET renewables	19.3%

Voluntary Renewable Electricity	0.0%
Total renewables	19.3%

Location Based Approach Summary

Location Based Approach	Activity Data (kWh)	Emissions (kgCO2e)
ACT	0	0
NSW	46,957	42,261
SA	0	0
Vic	0	0
Qld	0	0
NT	0	0
WA	0	0
Tas	0	0
Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3)	46,957	42,261
ACT	0	0
NSW	0	0
SA	0	0
Vic	0	0
Qld	0	0
NT	0	0
WA	0	0
Tas	0	0
Non-grid electricity (Behind the meter)	0	0
Total Electricity Consumed	46,957	42,261

Emission Footprint (TCO2e)	42
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4. CARBON OFFSETS

Offsets strategy

Offset purchasing strategy: Climate Friendly is purchasing offsets for the 2020 calendar year in arrears

1. Total offsets previously forward purchased and banked for this report	0
2. Total emissions liability to offset for this report	120 tonnes CO2-e
3. Net offset balance for this reporting period	120 tonnes CO2-e
4. Total offsets to be forward purchased to offset the next reporting period	0
5. Total offsets required for this report	120 offsets

Co-benefits

Climate Friendly purchased 120 Australian Carbon Credit Units, the equivalent to 120 tonnes of CO₂-e. Out of the 120 Australian Carbon Credit Units, 104 of the carbon credits were purchased for this reporting period from Kullilli Bulloo River Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC. This was an intentional purchase and retirement of credits, to provide additional co-benefits to the offsetting of Climate Friendly's carbon emissions. This is in line with our commitment to the Traditional Custodians of the land, outlined in our Reconciliation Action Plan.

Currently we have agreements with the Kullilli People on several Emission Reduction Fund human-induced regeneration projects that we have developed, including the Norley Regeneration Project. To be able to continue to support a community we have a direct relationship with is of great significance to Climate Friendly. The Kullilli Bulloo River Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC have a vision to promote Kullilli culture and empower future generations to be self-determined and economically sustainable. By partnering on carbon farming projects within their native title area, the Kullilli People are improving relationships with pastoral leaseholders, gaining economic benefits, and supporting land regeneration.

Offsets summary

Proof of cancellation of offset units

Offsets cancelled for Climate Active Carbon Neutral Certification										
Project description	Type of offset units	Registry	Date retired	Serial number (and hyperlink to registry transaction record)	Vintage	Eligible Quantity (TCO2-e)	Quantity used for previous reporting periods	Quantity banked for future reporting periods	Quantity used for this reporting period claim	Percentage of total (%)
Norley Regeneration Project (ERF119548)	ACCUs	ANREU	23 Sept 2021	3,792,844,125 – 3,792,844,228	2019-20	104	0	0	104	86.67%
Norley Regeneration Project (ERF119548)	ACCUs	ANREU	4 Nov 2021	3,792,844,229 – 3,792,844,230	2019-20	2	0	0	2	1.67%
Orient Regeneration Project (ERF119549)	ACCUs	ANREU	4 Nov 2021	3,792,747,582 – 3,792,747,590	2019-20	9	0	0	9	7.50%
Farnham Plains Regeneration Project (ERF134205)	ACCUs	ANREU	4 Nov 2021	8,334,349,746 – 8,334,349,750	2019-20	5	0	0	5	4.17%
Total offsets retired this report and used in this report									120	100

Type of offset units	Quantity (used for this reporting period claim)	Percentage of Total
Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs)	120	100%

5. USE OF TRADE MARK

Table 8

Description where trademark used	Logo type
Digital and Social Media: Website, social media, email customer communications	Certified organisation
Digital/ Printed assets e.g.: customer information brochures, even banner/posters	Certified organisation
Sustainability report and annual report (digital)	Certified organisation

6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you would like to know more about Climate Friendly and carbon farming's contribution to greenhouse gas reductions, please visit our website www.climatefriendly.com.

APPENDIX 1

Excluded emissions

To be deemed relevant an emission must meet two of the five relevance criteria. Excluded emissions are detailed below against each of the five criteria.

Table 9

Relevance test					
Excluded emission sources	<i>The emissions from a particular source are likely to be large relative to the organisation's electricity, stationary energy and fuel emissions</i>	<i>The emissions from a particular source contribute to the organisation's greenhouse gas risk exposure.</i>	<i>Key stakeholders deem the emissions from a particular source are relevant.</i>	<i>The responsible entity has the potential to influence the reduction of emissions from a particular source.</i>	<i>The emissions are from outsourced activities previously undertaken within the organisation's boundary, or from outsourced activities typically undertaken within the boundary for comparable organisations.</i>
Natural gas	No	No	No	No	No

APPENDIX 2

Non-quantified emissions for organisations

Table 10

Non-quantification test				
Relevant-non-quantified emission sources	<i>Immaterial <1% for individual items and no more than 5% collectively</i>	<i>Quantification is not cost effective relative to the size of the emission but uplift applied.</i>	<i>Data unavailable but uplift applied. A data management plan must be put in place to provide data within 5 years.</i>	<i>Initial emissions non-quantified but repairs and replacements quantified</i>
Publication	No	Yes	No	No



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