# PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

ARINEX PTY LTD

ORGANISATION CERTIFICATION
FY2020-21

Australian Government

# Climate Active
# Public Disclosure Statement

An Australian Government Initiative

REPORTING PERIOD: Financial Year: 1st June 2020 – 31st July 2021

**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.

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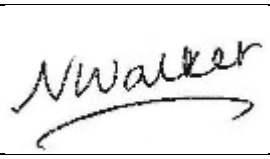
| Signature  | Date 11 March 2022 |
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| Position of Signatory Managing Director | |

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# 1. CARBON NEUTRAL INFORMATION

## Description of certification

This organization certification covers the Australian business operations of Arinex Pty Ltd (28 000 386 676) and trading as Arinex during the Financial Year 2020/2021.

The technology department of Arinex is run as a separate business, eTech Suite. It does not have a separate ABN and is operated by Arinex. All relevant emissions will be captured in the certification.

The operational boundary has been defined based on an operational control test, in accordance with the principles of the National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Act 2007.

The methods used for collating data, performing calculations and presenting the carbon account are in accordance with the following standards:

- Climate Active Standards
- The Greenhouse Gas Protocol: A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (Revised Edition)
- National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting (Measurement) Determination 2008

*"Arinex respects our relationship with the environment, and we openly acknowledge the adverse effects events may have when not conscientiously managed. Thus, sustainability is at the fore of every decision we make."*

## Organisation description

Arinex is one of Australia's longest-standing and reputable event management companies, with a track record of almost 50 years of astute financial and risk management, precision project management and exceptional client outcomes.

Arinex has offices situated across Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney.

Our event architects are specialists in their craft, working collaboratively to design solutions tailored to your individual needs, while our service is globally accredited and held to the highest international standards of quality assurance.

Arinex offers a total event management solution, with specialist services in all areas of event management, from accommodation and registration to the latest technology solutions.

# 2. EMISSION BOUNDARY

## Diagram of the certification boundary

**Quantified**

*Paper*

*Business travel*

*Employee commute*

*Waste*

*Electricity*

*Food & catering*

*Working from home*

*Postage*

*Printing & stationery*

*Telecommunications*

*Computer equipment*

**Non-quantified**

*Refrigerant*

*Water*

**Excluded**

*International offices*

## Non-quantified sources

- Refrigerants are considered to be immaterial for this certification
- Water use is considered to be immaterial for this certification

## Data management plan

N/A

## Excluded sources (outside of certification boundary)

- International offices have been excluded from this certification

*"We are proud to obtain Climate Active certification in 2021. But that is only the beginning; we are brimming with ideas to help reduce the footprint for our event partners."*

# 3. EMISSIONS SUMMARY

## Emissions reduction strategy

Arinex respects our relationship with the environment and we openly acknowledge the adverse effects events may have when not conscientiously managed. Sustainability is therefore at the fore of every decision we make in order to minimise our environmental footprint in all that we do.

Arinex has signed an international commitment to reduce our material waste both company-wide and through the events we manage, and we are committed to using sustainable design and, where financially possible, carbon offsetting. We work with partners and suppliers who have strong sustainability policies, and we encourage environmental discussions and awareness throughout our industry.

Our Environmental Policy includes the following initiatives to reduce emissions.

**Improve environmental sustainability throughout Arinex' supply chain, through;**

- Updated procurement policies to include / ascertain suppliers' sustainability policies
- Procuring services/ products that are;
- Sustainably produced or managed
- Have lower environmental impacts
- Are locally produced (where practical)
- Establishing preferred partnerships with suppliers who practice sustainable policies

**Grow awareness and commitment for sustainability throughout the events industry by;**

- Making public/transparent Arinex' Environmental Policy – via our website
- Marketing and PR opportunities, referring to Arinex' Environmental Policy
- Seeking out speaker/presentation opportunities at industry events
- Acknowledging industry colleagues/ organisations who have made improvements to their environmental policies and practices

**Conserve and efficiently use energy and water resources through;**

- Providing building occupant thermal comfort whilst achieving environmental sustainability and energy efficiency standards
- Building enhancements such as solar panels, LED lighting, low-pressure water taps
- Requiring staff to conserve power by turning off all monitors/ laptops/ lights (and other electrical items) at the end of each day

- Awareness and education regarding minimising water usage

**Reduce the footprint of staff travel through;**

- Encouraging staff to use environmentally efficient transportation when travelling (including to and from work) such as public transport or bicycles
- Utilising communication technology to minime travel for meetings
- Introducing a staff carpool mindset
- Carbon offsetting all staff flights
- Prohibiting First and Business class flights for staff
- Encouraging staff to bring their own toiletries when travelling rather than using those provided by hotels, to reduce plastic waste

Conserve natural resources and minimise waste through;

- Minimising and, where possible, avoiding waste generation (e.g. ban on single use plastics)
- Providing non-disposable crockery and cutlery in each of our offices to mitigate need for single-use takeaway items
- Improving recycling of items across all offices
- Introducing compost bins and e-waste bins into each office
- Establishing a central waste system by reducing the number of bins in each office to just one central bin or, in the case of our Sydney office, three bins.

## Emissions summary (inventory)

**Table 2**

| Emission source category | tonnes $CO_2$-e |
|---|---|
| Accommodation and facilities | 0.840 |
| Air Transport (km) | 7.876 |
| Bespoke | 2.129 |
| Electricity | 311.648 |
| Food | 0.798 |
| ICT services and equipment | 3.517 |
| Land and Sea Transport (km) | 14.838 |
| Office equipment & supplies | 0.779 |
| Postage, courier and freight | 4.945 |
| Waste | 6.497 |
| Working from home | 5.546 |
| *Total Net Emissions* | 359.413 |

## Uplift factors

**Table 3**

| Reason for uplift factor | tonnes $CO_2$-e |
|---|---|
| N/A | |
| | |
| *Total footprint to offset (uplift factors + net emissions)* | 359.413 |

## Use of Climate Active Certified Products

N/A

# Electricity summary

Electricity was calculated using a location-based approach.

**Market-based approach summary**
**Table 4**

| Market-based approach | Activity Data (kWh) | Emissions ($kgCO_2$-e) | Renewable % |
|---|---|---|---|
| Behind the meter consumption of electricity generated | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| **Total non-grid electricity** | **0** | **0** | **0%** |
| LGC Purchased and retired (kWh) (including PPAs) | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| GreenPower | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| Jurisdictional renewables | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| Residual Electricity | 281,968 | 302,574 | 0%0 |
| Large Scale Renewable Energy Target (applied to grid electricity only) | 65,819 | 0 | 19% |
| **Total grid electricity** | **347,786** | **302,574** | **19%** |
| **Total Electricity Consumed (grid + non grid)** | **347,786** | **302,574** | **19%** |
| Electricity renewables | 65,819 | 0 | |
| Residual Electricity | 281,968 | 302,574 | |
| **Exported on-site generated electricity** | **0** | **0** | |
| Emission Footprint ($kgCO_2$-e) | | 302,574 | |

| | |
|---|---|
| **Emission Footprint ($tCO_2$-e)** | **303** |
| **LRET renewables** | **18.9%** |
| **Voluntary Renewable Electricity** | **0%** |
| **Total renewables** | **18.9%** |

**Location-based approach summary**
**Table 5**

| Location-based approach | Activity Data (kWh) | Emissions ($kgCO_2$.e) |
|---|---|---|
| NSW | 302,684 | 272.416 |
| Vic | 1,754 | 1.911 |
| Qld | 30,333 | 28.209 |
| WA | 13,016 | 9,111 |
| **Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3)** | **347,786** | **311.648** |
| NSW | 0 | 0 |
| Vic | 0 | 0 |
| Qld | 0 | 0 |
| WA | 0 | 0 |
| **Non-grid electricity (Behind the meter)** | **0** | **0** |
| **Total Electricity Consumed** | **347,786** | **311.648** |

| | |
|---|---|
| **Emission Footprint ($tCO_2$-e)** | **311.648** |

# 4. CARBON OFFSETS

## Offsets strategy

**Table 6**

| **Offset purchasing strategy:**<br><br>**In arrears** | |
|---|---|
| 1. Total offsets previously forward purchased and banked for this report | *0* |
| 2. Total emissions liability to offset for this report | *360* |
| 3. Net offset balance for this reporting period | *360* |
| 4. Total offsets to be forward purchased to offset the next reporting period | *0* |
| 5. Total offsets required for this report | *360* |

## Co-benefits

**150 MW grid connected Wind Power based electricity generation project in Gujarat, India.**

The main purpose of the project is to generate renewable electricity using wind power and feed the generated output to the local grid in Gujarat, contributing to climate change mitigation efforts. In addition to the generation of renewable energy-based electricity, the project has also been conceived to enhance the propagation of commercialisation of wind power generation in the region and to contribute to the sustainable development of the region, socially, environmentally and economically. The proposed project activity leads to alleviation of poverty by establishing direct and indirect employment benefits accruing out of infrastructure development of wind farms, installation work, operation and management of wind farm, providing daily needs, etc. The infrastructure in and around the project area will also improve due to project activity. This includes development of road network and improvement of electricity quality, frequency and availability as the electricity is fed into a deficit grid. The generated electricity is fed into the Western regional Grid through local grid, thereby improving the grid frequency and availability of electricity to the local consumers (villagers & sub-urban habitants) which will provide new opportunities for industries and economic activities to be setup in the area thereby resulting in greater local employment, ultimately leading to overall development.

**Rimba Raya Biodiversity Reserve Project**

Rimba Raya is situated in Central Kalimantan in Indonesian Borneo. Covering land approximately the same size as Singapore, it is known as one of the largest Orangutan sanctuaries in the world. Offering a viable alternative to deforestation, a practice very common in the area, the project has a wealth of benefits to the biodiversity of the region and the surrounding communities. Rimba Raya is home to over 300 species of birds, 122 species of mammals and 180 species of trees and plants. The project has strong community based initiatives including increased employment for communities, greater access to medical and health services, and assistance with education.

## Offsets summary

Proof of cancellation of offset units

**Table 7**

| 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 ($tCO_2$-e)** | **Quantity used for previous reporting periods** | **Quantity banked for future reporting periods** | **Quantity used for this reporting period claim** | **Percentage of total (%)** |
| 150 MW grid connected Wind Power based electricity generation project in Gujarat, India | VCUs | Verra | 22 Dec 2021 | 9085-66664349-66664438-VCS-VCU-1491-VER-IN-1-292-01012017-31122017-0 | 2017 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 90 | 25% |
| Rimba Raya Biodiversity Reserve Project | VCUs | Verra | 22 Dec 2021 | 7627-414493018-414493287-VCU-016-MER-ID-14-674-01072014-31122014-1 | 2014 | 270 | 0 | 0 | 270 | 75% |
| | | | | | | | | ***Total offsets retired this report and used in this report*** | | 360 |
| | | | | | | | | ***Total offsets retired this report and banked for future reports*** | | 0 |

| Type of offset units | Quantity (used for this reporting period claim) | Percentage of Total |
|---|---|---|
| Verified Carbon Units (VCUs) | 360 | 100% |

# 5. USE OF TRADE MARK

**Table 8**

| Description where trademark used | Logo type |
|---|---|
| Sustainability Report | Certified organisation |
| Website | Certified organisation |
| Proposal Documents | Certified organisation |

# 6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

N/A

# 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 | *The emissions from a particular source are likely to be large relative to the organisation's electricity, stationary energy and fuel emissions* | *The emissions from a particular source contribute to the organisation's greenhouse gas risk exposure.* | *Key stakeholders deem the emissions from a particular source are relevant.* | *The responsible entity has the potential to influence the reduction of emissions from a particular source.* | *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.* |
| International Offices | No | No | Yes | No | No |

# APPENDIX 2

## Non-quantified emissions for organisations

**Table 10**

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

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