

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

HILT CRC LIMITED

ORGANISATION FY2021–22

Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement







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| NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY | HILT CRC LIMITED |
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| REPORTING PERIOD | 1 July 2021 – 30 June 2022 Arrears report |
| 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. |
| | lan Hardwick Chief Operating Officer & Company Secretary 27 April 2023 |



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1.CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

| TOTAL EMISSIONS OFFSET | 61 tCO ₂ -e |
|------------------------|---|
| OFFSETS BOUGHT | 100% VCUs |
| RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY | N/A |
| TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT | 30/10/22 Grant Westphalen Trellis Technologies Pty Ltd Next technical assessment due: 31/10/2025 |
| THIRD PARTY VALIDATION | Type 1 06/12/22 Name: Alexander Stathakis Organisation: Conversion Pty Ltd |

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2. CARBON NEUTRAL INFORMATION

Description of certification

The Heavy Industry Low-carbon Transition Cooperative Research Centre (HILT CRC) is seeking accreditation under Climate Active as a carbon neutral organisation for all its Australian business operations.

There are no overseas assets to be considered.

This carbon neutral certification is for the business operations of The Heavy Industry Low-Carbon Transition Cooperative Research Centre (HILT CRC Limited) - ABN 50 652 464 796.

Organisation description

The Heavy Industry Low-Carbon Transition Cooperative Research Centre (HILT CRC) is driven by an urgent mission – to de-risk decarbonisation for heavy industry, and is a collaborative venture that brings together industries, researchers, and government organisations to share the responsibility for the big shift of decarbonisation.

We are focused on developing new low-carbon technologies and methods that will overcome barriers, and help transition the steel, iron, alumina, and cement industries to compete in the low-carbon global economy through the development of green steel, alumina and low-carbon lime and cement.

"HILT CRC is committed to achieving Climate Active carbon neutral certification within its operations to demonstrate that we share the responsibility and challenge of reducing carbon emissions whilst working towards our vision of de-risking decarbonisation pathways for heavy industry."

HILT CRC was established in August 2021 after we were awarded \$39 million of Commonwealth funds over 10 years on 30 June 2021, and investment of approximately \$41.6 million cash and \$118.4 million of in-kind contributions from our partners.

We are currently based at Lot Fourteen in Adelaide and have been at this location for a small portion of FY22.



3.EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

Inside the emissions boundary

All emission sources listed in the emissions boundary are part of the carbon neutral claim.

Quantified emissions have been assessed as relevant and are quantified in the carbon inventory. This may include emissions that are not identified as arising due to the operations of the certified entity, however are **optionally included**.

Non-quantified emissions have been assessed as relevant and are captured within the emissions boundary, but are not measured (quantified) in the carbon inventory. All material emissions are accounted for through an uplift factor. Further detail is available at Appendix C.

Outside the emissions boundary

Excluded emissions are those that have been assessed as not relevant to an organisation's or precinct's operations and are outside of its emissions boundary or are outside of the scope of the certification. These emissions are not part of the carbon neutral claim. Further detail is available at Appendix D.



Outside emission Inside emissions boundary boundary **Excluded Quantified** Non-quantified NA Electricity **Building HVAC gasses** Stationary Energy Mains Water & Treatment Waste (Corporate) Transport Fuel Staff working from home Staff commuting **Flights** Taxis & Ride share Accommodation Cleaning & Chemicals Food & catering ICT services & equipment Office equipment & supplies Professional services

Data management plan for non-quantified sources

HVAC gas leakage has been requested but not obtained from building managements.

An additional uplift of 1% of total emissions has been included in the emissions estimate to encompass this source.

The data management plan below outlines how more rigorous quantification can be achieved for material (greater than 1%) non-quantified emission sources.

As part of future assessments, further engagement will be pursued with the intention of making this information a requirement for leasing agreements.

An additional uplift of 1% of total emissions has been included in the emissions estimate to encompass this source.



4.EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

Emissions reduction strategy

The emissions reductions strategy:

- FY22 is our start-up year with only 3 employees, and it is likely that our carbon emissions will likely increase in FY23. The need for a baseline reassessment will be undertaken at that time. HILT Scope 1 and 2 emissions are currently negligible. For this reason, we concentrate on our Scope 3 emissions.
- We commit to working with our suppliers to reduce all emissions in our value chain by 20% by FY28, from a potentially revised FY23 base year.

This process will include the following commitments:

- Commence annual measurement and reporting of our carbon emissions once our Climate Active certification has been received.
- o Greater use of remote meeting and event options in lieu of business travel.
- Optimise travel to combine purposes and thereby reduce the overall number of flights required.
- o Immediately preference suppliers who are climate active certified.
- o Immediately preference airline suppliers who have ambitions for net zero.
- Lobby (and assist where possible) lessor of HILT CRC's head office premise to become Climate Active certified.
- Waste reduction in our office premises through recycling and composting including the reduction of takeaway coffee cups and plastic drink bottles.

The combined focus on greater use of remote meeting options as well as use of carbon neutral flights will reduce emissions by approximately 6% over the next 12 months.



5.EMISSIONS SUMMARY

Use of Climate Active carbon neutral products and services

| Certified brand name | Product or Service used |
|----------------------------|--|
| Fuller Brand Communication | Communications and Brand creative agency |

Organisation emissions summary

The electricity summary is available in the Appendix B. Electricity emissions were calculated using a location -based approach.

| Accommodation and facilities Bespoke Cleaning and Chemicals Climate Active Carbon Neutral Products and Services Construction Materials and Services Electricity 0.7 Food 0.53 0.28 0.28 0.28 0.7 | |
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| Electricity 0.7 | |
| | |
| Food 1.82 | |
| | |
| Horticulture and Agriculture 0 | |
| ICT services and equipment 15.21 | |
| Machinery and vehicles 0 | |
| Office equipment & supplies 0.25 | |
| Postage, courier and freight 0 | |
| Products 0 | |
| Professional Services 35.25 | |
| Refrigerants 0 | |
| Roads and landscape 0 | |
| Stationary Energy (gaseous fuels) 0.016 | |
| Stationary Energy (liquid fuels) 0.001 | |
| Stationary Energy (solid fuels) 0 | |
| Transport (Air) 3.48 | |
| Transport (Land and Sea) 1.11 | |
| Waste 0.59 | |
| Water 0.013 | |
| Working from home 0.177 | |
| Total 59.50 | |

Uplift factors

An uplift factor is an upwards adjustment to the total carbon inventory to account for relevant emissions, which can't be reasonably quantified or estimated. This conservative accounting approach helps ensure the integrity of the carbon neutral claim.



| Reason for uplift factor | tCO ₂ -e |
|--|---------------------|
| Additional 1% for lack of HVAC data | 0.6 |
| Total of all uplift factors | 0.6 |
| Total footprint to offset (total net emissions from summary table + total uplifts) | 60.1 |



6.CARBON OFFSETS

Offsets retirement approach

| In | arrears | |
|----|--|----|
| 1. | Total emissions footprint to offset for this report | 61 |
| 2. | Total eligible offsets purchased and retired for this report | 64 |
| 3. | Total eligible offsets banked to use toward next year's report | 3 |

Co-benefits

NA



Eligible offsets retirement summary

| 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 | Stapled quantity | Eligible quantity (tCO ₂ -e) | Eligible quantity used for previous reporting periods | Eligible quantity banked for future reporting periods | Eligible quantity used for this reporting period | Percentage of total (%) |
| Biomass Based Co generation Project in Paper Mill at Village Rupana, Punjab, India | VCU | Verra | 04/12/2022 | 4180-176907294-176907343-VCU-050-APX-IN-1-1387-01012014-31122014-0 https://registry.verra.org/myModule/rpt/myrpt.asp?r=206&h=182214 | 2014 | 0 | 50 | 50 | 0 | 50 | 78 |
| Biomass/Biogas based heat and power generation at Everest Starch | VCU | Verra | 04/12/2022 | 5474-238476272-238476285-VCU-030-APX-IN-1-1535-01012015-31122015-0 https://registry.verra.org/myModule/rpt/myrpt.asp?r=206&h=179568 | 2015 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 0 | 14 | 22 |
| Total offsets retired this report and used in this report | | | | | 61 | | | | | | |
| Total offsets retired this report and banked for future reports 64 | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Type of offset units | Quantity (used for this reporting period claim) | Percentage of total |
|------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| Verified Carbon Units (VCUs) | 61 | 100 |



7. RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE (REC) SUMMARY

Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) summary

NA



APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

NA



APPENDIX B: ELECTRICITY SUMMARY

Electricity emissions are calculated using a location-based approach.

Location-based method

The location-based method provides a picture of a business's electricity emissions in the context of its location, and the emissions intensity of the electricity grid it relies on. It reflects the average emissions intensity of the electricity grid in the location (State) in which energy consumption occurs. The location-based method does not allow for any claims of renewable electricity from grid-imported electricity usage.

Market-based method

The market-based method provides a picture of a business's electricity emissions in the context of its renewable energy investments. It reflects the emissions intensity of different electricity products, markets and investments. It uses a residual mix factor (RMF) to allow for unique claims on the zero emissions attribute of renewables without double-counting.

| Market Based Approach Summary | | | |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Market Based Approach | Activity Data (kWh) | Emissions (kgCO2e) | Renewable Percentage of total |
| Behind the meter consumption of electricity generated | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| Total non-grid electricity | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| LGC Purchased and retired (kWh) (including PPAs & Precinct LGCs) | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| GreenPower | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| Jurisdictional renewables (LGCs retired) | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| Jurisdictional renewables (LRET) (applied to ACT grid electricity) | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| Large Scale Renewable Energy Target (applied to grid electricity only) | 351 | 0 | 19% |
| Residual Electricity | 1,535 | 1,527 | 0% |
| Total grid electricity | 1,886 | 1,527 | 19% |
| Total Electricity Consumed (grid + non grid) | 1,886 | 1,527 | 19% |
| Electricity renewables | 351 | 0 | |
| Residual Electricity | 1,535 | 1,527 | |
| Exported on-site generated electricity | 0 | 0 | |
| Emissions (kgCO2e) | | 1,527 | |

| Total renewables (grid and non-grid) | 18.59% |
|---|-------------------------|
| Mandatory | 18.59% |
| Voluntary | 0.00% |
| Behind the meter | 0.00% |
| Residual Electricity Emission Footprint (TCO2e) | 2 |
| Figures may not sum due to rounding. Renewable percer | ntage can be above 100% |
| | |



Location Based Approach Summary

| Location Based Approach | Activity Data (kWh) | Scope 2 Emissions (kgCO2e) | Scope 3 Emissions (kgCO2e) | |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| ACT | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| NSW | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| SA | 1,886 | 566 | 132 | |
| Vic | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Qld | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| NT | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| WA | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Tas Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3) | 0 1,886 | 0 566 | 0 132 | |
| ACT | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| NSW | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| SA | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Vic | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Qld | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| NT | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| WA | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Tas Non-grid electricity (Behind the meter) | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | |
| Total Electricity Consumed | 1,886 | 566 | 132 | |

| Emission Footprint (TCO2e) | 1 |
|----------------------------|---|
| Scope 2 Emissions (TCO2e) | 1 |
| Scope 3 Emissions (TCO2e) | 0 |

Climate Active Carbon Neutral Electricity summary

| Carbon Neutral electricity offset by Climate Active Product | Activity Data (kWh) | Emissions (kgCO2e) |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|
| NA | 0 | 0 |

Climate Active carbon neutral electricity is not renewable electricity. The emissions have been offset by another Climate Active member through their Product certification.



APPENDIX C: INSIDE EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

Non-quantified emission sources

The following sources emissions have been assessed as relevant, are captured within the emissions boundary, but are not measured (quantified) in the carbon inventory. They have been non-quantified due to one of the following reasons:

- 1. Immaterial <1% for individual items and no more than 5% collectively
- 2. Cost effective Quantification is not cost effective relative to the size of the emission but uplift applied.
- 3. <u>Data unavailable</u> Data is unavailable but uplift applied. A data management plan must be put in place to provide data within 5 years.
- 4. Maintenance Initial emissions non-quantified but repairs and replacements quantified.

| Relevant-non- quantified emission sources | (1) Immaterial | (2) Cost effective (but uplift applied) | (3) Data unavailable (but uplift applied & data plan in place) | (4) Maintenance |
|---|----------------|--|--|-----------------|
| Building HVAC gasses | No | No | Yes (uplift applied & data plan in place) | No |

APPENDIX D: OUTSIDE EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

Excluded emission sources

The below emission sources have been assessed as not relevant to an organisation's or precinct's operations and are outside of its emissions boundary. These emissions are not part of the carbon neutral claim. Emission sources considered for relevance must be included within the certification boundary if they meet two of the five relevance criteria. Those which only meet one condition of the relevance test can be excluded from the certification boundary.

Emissions tested for relevance are detailed below against each of the following criteria:

- <u>Size</u> The emissions from a particular source are likely to be large relative to the organisation's electricity, stationary energy and fuel emissions
- 2. <u>Influence</u> The responsible entity has the potential to influence the reduction of emissions from a particular source.
- 3. <u>Risk</u> The emissions from a particular source contribute to the organisation's greenhouse gas risk exposure.
- 4. Stakeholders Key stakeholders deem the emissions from a particular source are relevant.
- Outsourcing 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.

| Emission sources tested for relevance | (1) Size | (2) Influence | (3) Risk | (4) Stakeholders | (5) Outsourcing | Included in boundary? |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |





