



PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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**ORGANISATION CERTIFICATION
FY2021–22**

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NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY	Arinex Pty Ltd
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DECLARATION	<p><i>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.</i></p> 
	<p>Name of signatory Nicole Walker Position of signatory Managing Director Date 20 June 2023</p>



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1. CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

TOTAL EMISSIONS OFFSET	273 tCO ₂ -e
OFFSETS BOUGHT	100% VCUs
RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY	N/A
TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT	21/12/2021 Emma Baird Pangolin Associates Next technical assessment due:2023-2024

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2. 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 2021/2022.

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.

3.EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

Inside the emissions boundary

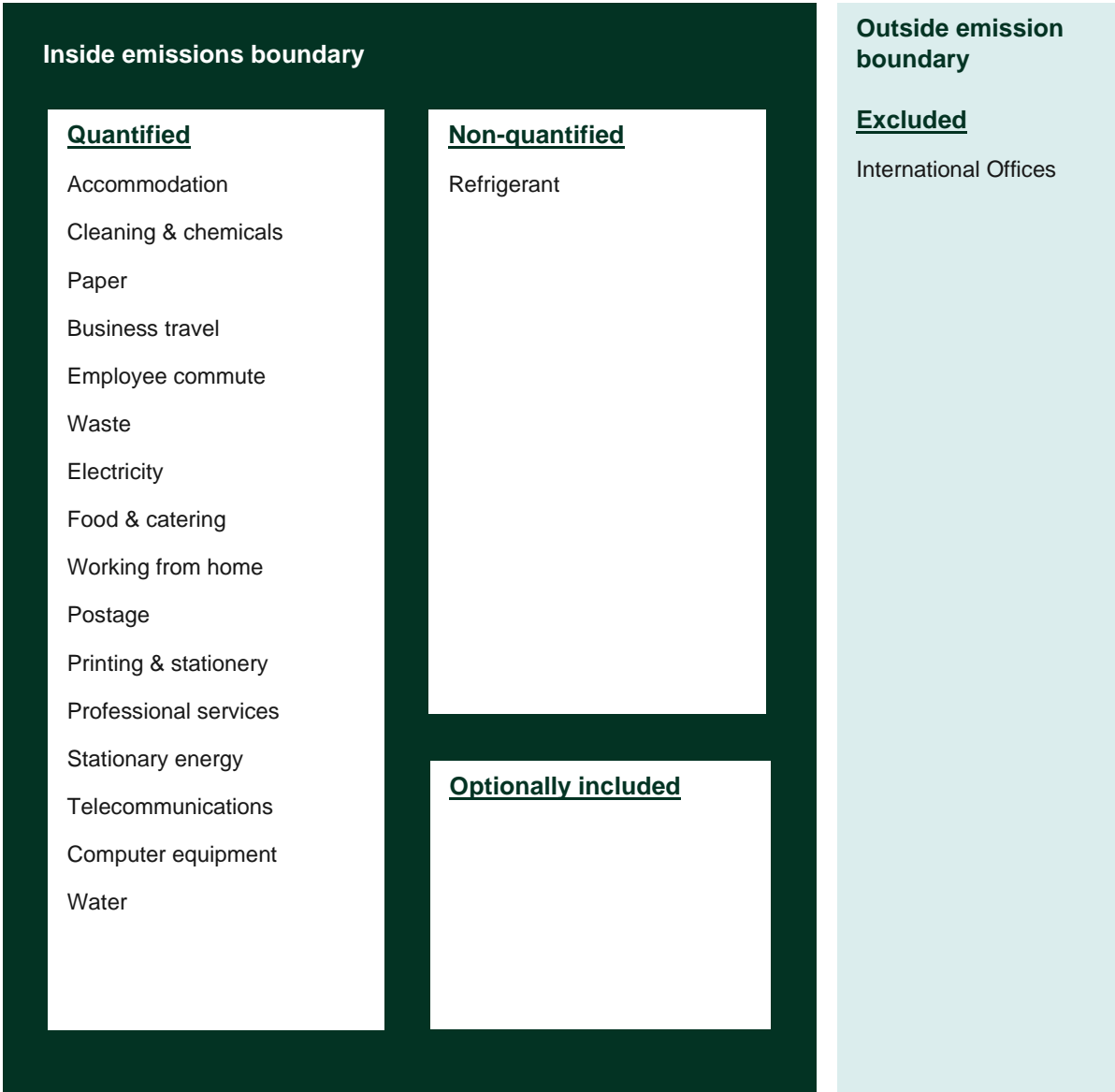
All emission sources listed in the emissions boundary are part of the carbon neutral claim.

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.



Data management plan for non-quantified sources

There are no non-quantified sources in the emission boundary that require a data management plan.



4. EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

Emissions reduction strategy

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

Arinex has signed an international commitment to reduce 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.

Arinex' [Environmental Policy](#) includes the following initiatives to reduce emissions.

Arinex commits to have an **overall emissions reduction target by 40%** by 2030, compared to the base year 2020/21 (FY2021).

From FY2021 to FY2022, Arinex' overall carbon emissions have been reduced by 24%.

Scope 2 Emissions

Electricity is the largest component of our emissions. 33% of our total emissions are scope 2 tenancy emissions under our operational control and we will work to migrate to green power where possible to achieve a 100% reduction by 2025. We will switch each office location (Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne and Perth) to a green power provider one year at a time.

Scope 3 Emissions

The balance of electricity emissions are scope 3 from base building electricity and we will engage with building management to explore opportunities to source this as green power and or consider new sustainable office space.

In FY2022 other significant scope 3 emissions sources are attributed to travel, including business flights (11.4% of total) and employee commuting (10.8% of total).

In FY2022, both business travel increased by 294% (transport-flights) and employee commuting increased by 108% (transport-land and sea) due to a return to business as usual (post COVID19). Employees are also travelling again to undertake event management duties for conferences therefore, we are returning to pre-covid event travel.

With the aim of reducing emissions attributed to staff travel, Arinex will include a guideline to ensure employees located in the respective event state office will attend local events to reduce interstate travel where possible. Employees will also select economy travel over business and first-class flights where possible. Arinex will encourage continued use of online meeting accessibility as an alternative to in-person meetings as well as virtual pre-planning meetings with committees and organisations.

Compared to FY2021, Arinex' ICT Services emissions increased by 359% and as such management will review Arinex' information and communications technology and aim for a 200% reduction by 2025.

Additionally, Arinex will continue to review preferred suppliers and choose carbon-neutral suppliers where possible.

Emissions reduction actions

From FY2021 to FY2022, Arinex' overall carbon emissions have been reduced by 24%. It is worth noting that there was a significant decrease in electricity emissions (-45%) this is due to a combination of reduced tenancy electricity and reduced base building electricity. The reduction in tenancy electricity is a result of a relocation for the Sydney office. The reduction in base building electricity is largely due to the fact that base building electricity was estimated in FY2021 and as such was overstated.

5. EMISSIONS SUMMARY

Emissions over time

Emissions since base year		Total tCO ₂ -e
Base year/Year 1:	2020–21	359.4
Year 2:	2021–22	272.9

Significant changes in emissions

Emission source name	Current year (tCO ₂ -e)	Previous year (tCO ₂ -e)	Detailed reason for change
Electricity	170.6	311.6	Decreased tenancy electricity consumption. Reduction in base building energy consumption due to an estimate of electricity data in FY2021.
Long economy class flights (>3,700km)	20.2	-	There were no business flights in this class during the previous year as a result of Covid
Telecommunications	13.7	1.4	Increase in expenses categorized as telecommunications in 2022; this included moving to a new office.

Use of Climate Active carbon neutral products and services

Pangolin Associates

Organisation emissions summary

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

Emission category	Sum of Scope 1 (tCO ₂ -e)	Sum of Scope 2 (tCO ₂ -e)	Sum of Scope 3 (tCO ₂ -e)	Sum of total emissions (tCO ₂ -e)
Accommodation and facilities	0.00	0.00	1.34	1.34
Cleaning and Chemicals	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01
Electricity	0.00	90.13	80.45	170.58
Food	0.00	0.00	1.71	1.71
ICT services and equipment	0.00	0.00	16.13	16.13
Office equipment & supplies	0.00	0.00	0.26	0.26
Postage, courier and freight	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.25
Professional Services	0.00	0.00	1.17	1.17
Stationary Energy (gaseous fuels)	3.39	0.00	0.86	4.25
Transport (Air)	0.00	0.00	31.04	31.04
Transport (Land and Sea)	0.00	0.00	30.83	30.83
Waste	0.00	0.00	2.73	2.73
Water	0.00	0.00	2.78	2.78
Working from home	0.00	0.00	9.89	9.89
Total	3.39	90.13	179.45	272.95

Uplift factors

N/A

6. CARBON OFFSETS

Offsets retirement approach

In arrears	
1. Total number of eligible offsets banked from last year's report	0
2. Total emissions footprint to offset for this report	273
3. Total eligible offsets required for this report	273
4. Total eligible offsets purchased and retired for this report	280
5. Total eligible offsets banked to use toward next year's report	7

Co-benefits

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

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 (%)
Rimba Raya Biodiversity Reserve Project	VCUs	VERRA	26 Jan 2023	7627-414283440-414283689-VCU-016-MER-ID-14-674-01072014-31122014-1	2014		250	0	0	250	89%
Canopy Blue Kelp reforestation			31/01/2023			30	-	-	-	-	-
Stapled to Bundled Wind Power Project by Mytrah Group	VCUs	VERRA	26 Jan 2023	6918-358614997-358615026-VCU-034-APX-IN-1-1728-01012017-24112017-0	2017		30	0	7	23	11%
Total offsets retired this report and used in this report										280	
Total offsets retired this report and banked for future reports										7	
Type of offset units		Quantity (used for this reporting period claim)				Percentage of total					
Verified Carbon Units (VCUs)		280				100%					

7. RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE (REC) SUMMARY

Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) summary

N/A

APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Stapled credit information

Arinex stapled their VCUs from Bundled Wind Power Project by Mytrah Group with a local project, Canopy Blue. Canopy Blue is an organisation partnered with The University of Western Australia on a mission to restore over 100,000 Ha of lost kelp forest. The project aims to unlock Kelp Reforestation globally as a nature based solution to climate change. Realising the potential to restore the world's oceans whilst sequestering Giga-tonnes of carbon and reversing eutrophication.

Why support kelp forest establishment?

Kelp forests - supporting human life

Kelp Forests provide critical ecosystem services to humans, similar to those provided by coral reefs and tropical forests. They also possess a much greater capacity for rapid growth and regeneration than most other ecosystems, taking 2 years to grow to their full biomass. The benefits provided by kelp forests span 14 of the 18 categories of nature's contributions to people identified by the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES).

Biodiversity

Kelp create underwater habitats (like corals and mangroves) that support high biodiversity by supplying a physical structure for nurseries for juvenile fish. Key species in a kelp forest include: crayfish, octopus, reef fish and in many places also mammals such as seals and sea lions, otters, dolphins and whales.

Australia's kelp forests form the Great Southern Reef (GSR) which is a global biodiversity hotspot, ~70% of the fish, seaweeds and invertebrate species in the Great Southern Reef are found nowhere else in the world! (comparable rates of endemism for the Great Barrier Reef are <10%).

Carbon sink

Kelp forests represent an important and underappreciated carbon sink in the ocean. They are some of the fastest growing plants on the planet. Kelps store organic carbon as standing biomass and sequester carbon through the export and burial of detritus in the deep ocean. Kelp plants take up inorganic carbon (including CO₂) from water and convert it into plant tissue (i.e., organic carbon biomass). In this way kelp forests can be regarded as a carbon sink. Also, living kelp are continuously exporting biomass and carbon to adjacent environments where it is long- term buried in seafloor sediments or transported to deep ocean carbon stores.

Please see below the certificate of retirement.

Kelp Reforestation Credit Certificate

Presented to:

Arinex Pty Ltd



Canopy Blue

This certificate guarantees the permanent retirement of 30 Canopy Blue, Kelp Reforestation credits.

This equates to 30 Kelp plants grown in the lab and deployed into the Kalbarri restoration area, along with the permanent retirement of 30 tonnes of CO2 equivalent (*stapled credit) on behalf of :

Arinex Pty Ltd- for Climate Active FY2022

**Stapled Credit - Supplied by Pangolin Associates*



Certification period
2022

Kelp Reforestation Credit Certificate
KRC 11842 - 11871

Date of issuance:
31/01/2023

Jon-paul Cox, CEO - Canopy Blue Pty Ltd

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 (kgCO ₂ e)	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)	37,724	0	19%
Residual Electricity	165,203	164,371	0%
Total grid electricity	202,927	164,371	19%
Total Electricity Consumed (grid + non grid)	202,927	164,371	19%
Electricity renewables	37,724	0	
Residual Electricity	165,203	164,371	
Exported on-site generated electricity	0	0	
Emissions (kgCO ₂ e)		164,371	
Total renewables (grid and non-grid)	18.59%		
Mandatory	18.59%		
Voluntary	0.00%		
Behind the meter	0.00%		
Residual Electricity Emission Footprint (TCO₂e)	164		

Figures may not sum due to rounding. Renewable percentage 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	123,905	96,646	8,673
SA	0	0	0
Vic	3,244	2,952	324
Qld	43,565	34,852	5,228
NT	0	0	0
WA	32,212	21,582	322
Tas	0	0	0
Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3)	202,927	156,033	14,548
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	0	0	0
Non-grid electricity (Behind the meter)	0	0	0
Total Electricity Consumed	202,927	156,033	14,548

Emission Footprint (TCO2e)	171
<i>Scope 2 Emissions (TCO2e)</i>	156
<i>Scope 3 Emissions (TCO2e)</i>	15

Climate Active Carbon Neutral Electricity summary

Carbon Neutral electricity offset by Climate Active Product	Activity Data (kWh)	Emissions (kgCO2e)
Enter product name/s here	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. These emissions are accounted for through an uplift factor. 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. **Data unavailable** 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
Refrigerant	Yes	No	No	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:

1. **Size** The emissions from a particular source are likely to be large relative to the organisation's electricity, stationary energy and fuel emissions
2. **Influence** The responsible entity has the potential to influence the reduction of emissions from a particular source.
3. **Risk** 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.
5. **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?
International Offices	No	No	No	No	No	No



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