

# PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

TSA GROUP

SERVICE CERTIFICATION FY 2020-21

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# Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement







NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY	TSA Group
REPORTING PERIOD	Financial year 1 July 2020– 30 June 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.
	Francis Stockwell TSA Group Facilities Manager 03/11/2022



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# 1.CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

TOTAL EMISSIONS OFFSET	3,900 tCO <sub>2</sub> -e
THE OFFSETS BOUGHT	100% ACCUs
RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY	22.7%
TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT	11 July 2022 Madlen Jannaschk Cundall Next technical assessment due: N/A

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# 2. CARBON NEUTRAL INFORMATION

#### **Description of certification**

Telco Services Australia Pty Ltd trading as TSA Group under ABN 31 106 527 422 certifies as an Organisation for their Australian business operations across their offices in Brisbane, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.

#### **Product/Service description**

TSA Group are Australian-owned CX services specialists, working with global and local brands to revolutionise the way they connect with Australians. Through CX consulting, technology innovation and outsourced contact centre solutions, TSA brings to life strategies to help brands engage with their customers in authentic, meaningful and uniquely Australian ways.

"Climate Active encompasses TSA Group's vision for a sustainable future and passion for business innovation. By being one of the first CX Service organisations to become Climate Active, we hope to lead the way within the industry, and represent the values of current and future Partners."



## **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 'attributable processes' that become the product, make the product and carry the product through its life cycle. These have been quantified in the carbon inventory.

**Non-quantified** emissions have been assessed as attributable 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

**Non-attributable** emissions have been assessed as not attributable to a product or service. They can be **optionally included** in the emissions boundary and therefore have been offset, or they can be listed as outside of the emissions boundary (and are therefore not part of the carbon neutral claim). Further detail is available at Appendix D.



Inside emissions boundary		Outside emission boundary
Quantified	Non-quantified	Non-attributable
Stationary energy	N/A	
Electricity		investments
Water		
Waste		
Air transport		
Staff commute		
Taxi and Uber		
Accommodation		
Cleaning services		
ICT services		
Professional services		
Food and catering		
Office equipment and		
supplies		
Freight, postage and		
couriers		
Refrigerants		



### Product/service process diagram

The following diagram is: Cradle to Grave





### 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**

TSA Group recognise the importance of managing and controlling environmental performance. Through regular assessment and implementing changes throughout the company, TSA intend to reduce their absolute emissions by at least 50% by 2030.

TSA developed an emissions reduction plan which covers all scope 1, 2 & 3 emissions and outlines actions for each emission source:

- Energy Use: Through leveraging technologies such as LED lighting, sensor-controlled lighting, energy efficient air conditioning systems and other power saving practices.
- Water: TSA Group are committed to continually becoming more water efficient through the following means: water restriction devices, low flush toilets, low flush or waterless urinals, regular maintenance checks to ensure proper functioning plumbing, procuring 4-star water rated products and using premises that hold a high NABERS water rating.
- **Waste:** TSA Group will continue to take a hierarchy of waste management approach when dealing with the lifecycle of equipment used by the company and for the waste produced at their sites.
- **Road Travel:** To minimize employees' reliance on fossil fuel transportation, TSA Group will endeavor to invest in technology that where permissible, allows staff to work productively from home, choose sites that are within easy access to public transport and choose sites that offer end of trip facilities to employees e.g. bike racks, change rooms, showers.
- Air Travel: To further reduce air travel, TSA Group will continue to invest in video conferencing.
- Office Supplies: Wherever feasible TSA Group will procure the most sustainable option available e.g. recycled (paper, toilet paper, paper towel), eco-friendly (cleaning products), reusable (e.g. tea towels over paper towel).
- Catering: TSA Group will look at reducing their emissions to do with catering by ensuring food doesn't go to waste through over ordering, provide more plant-based options, encourage reusable options e.g. mugs, glasses, water bottles, serving plates and procure the most sustainable option available e.g. recycled (serviettes, plates), compostable (coffee cups), nonplastic (wooden cutlery).

For additional information about TSA Group's Environmental Action Management Plan, please visit this site.



### **Emissions reduction actions**

Some of the initiatives TSA has implemented over the past two years are:

- Upgrades to electrical metering with a sophisticated power monitoring software
- Upgrade of the computer fleet which will lead to significant electricity savings
- Installation of PV Systems on the office roof, where possible. A feasibility study is currently being conducted at the Troode Street, Perth office.
- Assessment of waste streams across all offices to determine if organic waste collection is possible. Organic waste collection has already been successfully implemented at head office (Troode St, Perth) since 2018.
- Introduction of a hub-and-spoke office model, where practical. Encouraging a hybrid work from home/office model reducing commute emission
- Switching to Green power at Murray St, Perth office



### **5.EMISSIONS SUMMARY**

### Use of Climate Active carbon neutral products and services

N/A

#### **Product/Service emissions summary**

Emission Source		tCO2-e
Stationary Energy (gaseous fuels)		6.39
Electricity		2494.19
Water		162.01
Transport (Land and Sea)		425.10
Taxi and Uber		351.19
Transport (Air)		0.00
Accommodation (Hotels)		89.96
Cleaning services		26.51
Food and catering		53.51
ICT services		148.93
Office equipment and supplies		911.06
Postage, courier, and freight		166.77
Professional services		46.53
Refrigerants		192.19
Total emissions		5,074.39
	Electricity	-1,469.0
Emissions for the Pririe St (SA) and Ann St Office (QLD) <sup>1</sup>	Water	-21.3
	Waste	-44.0
Grand total		3539.9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The offices in Pirie Street in SA and Ann St in QLD are owned and operated by Telstra and included within their operational boundary for Climate Active. Electricity, water and waste emissions have therefore been offset as part of Telstra's Climate Active certification.



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 <sub>2</sub> -e
Overall uplift to cater for assumptions made	360
Total of all uplift factors	360
<b>Total footprint to offset</b> (total net emissions from summary table + total uplifts)	3,900

Emissions intensity per functional unit	0.0000142
Number of functional units to be offset (certified)	275,221,972
Total emissions to be offset (certified)	3,900



### 6.CARBON OFFSETS

#### **Offsets retirement approach**

This document reports TSA's carbon emissions for Financial Year 2020/2021 which were used to forecast emissions for the reporting year (FY2021/22), to purchase offsets to maintain the achievement of carbon neutrality.

By the end of the reporting year, i.e. after June 2022, TSA will reconfirm all emissions that were released in FY2021/22 to make certain sufficient offsets have been purchased and retired.

Fo	rward purchasing	
1.	Total eligible offsets forward purchased and retired in last year's report	0
2.	Total emissions footprint to offset for this report	3,900
3.	Total eligible offsets retired and used for this report	3,900
4.	Total eligible offsets forward purchased and retired for next year's report	0
5.	Total eligible offsets forward purchased and retired for next year's report plus any remaining banked offsets to be carried over	3,900

### **Co-benefits**

#### **Duff Carbon Farming Project**

The Duff Carbon Farming Project project establishes permanent native forests through assisted regeneration from in-situ seed sources (including rootstock and lignotubers) on land that was cleared of vegetation and where regrowth was suppressed for at least 10 years prior to the project having commenced.

The project provides a wide range of benefits, including an improvement of water quality in the Paroo River through changed management practices. Such a simple project activity, as shifting operational practices, has a broad impact. Notably, the flow on effect allows for improved ecosystems down river, including the Currawinya Lakes; a wetland of international Sustainable Development Goals importance.

Key co-benefits are:

- Increased biodiversity in the region
- Previous agricultural practices that caused significant suppression of native vegetation are being discontinued to allow it to regrow



 Protection of an 18km stretch of land along the banks of the Paroo River. The river is of the most pristine rivers in south west Queensland and feeds into the Ramsar wetlands of the Currawinya lakes

#### North Kimberley Pastoral Lease project

The North Kimberley Pastoral Lease Carbon Abatement project is a Carbon Farming Initiative that promotes the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions through early dry season savanna burning.

The North Kimberly Pastoral Lease Carbon Abatement project neighbours properties such as Wilinggin and Wunambal which help form the North Kimberley Fire Abatement Project partnership between the Kimberley Land Council and Native Title corporations. This partnership represents the Traditional Owners responsible for looking after and managing the country in the far North West Kimberley. These projects involve Indigenous rangers conducting strategic burns on the country in the early dry season, in order to avoid and control big late-season wildfires.

By generating revenue from carbon credits, the SFM projects in the Kimberly region provide economic cobenefits to the local communities and provide further opportunities for employment.

This project also offers a large number of other environmental, social and economic co-benefits for the north Kimberley region and its local communities.

Most significantly, the land protection through savanna burning allows:

- the continuation of pioneering work undertaken in an extended dating project "An absolute timescale for the Aboriginal rock art of the Kimberley region – landscape processes and multiple chronometers". This project has been in operation for four years and has been awarded a major Linkage Grant by the Australian Research Council with support from the Kimberley Foundation Australia.
- the continuation of Kimberley Visions, a landmark study mapping the rock art and occupational history of the Northern Kimberley.
- research to establish a series of long-duration paleo-environmental and paleo climate reconstructions for the Kimberley region spanning the last 60,000 years.
- a group of research, conservation and land management organisations to continue the trialing a major largest Cane toad mitigation strategy.



### Eligible offsets retirement summary

Offsets of	ancelled for	Climate A	ctive Carbo	n Neutral Cert	ification							
Project de	escription	Type of offset units	Registry	Date retired	Serial number (and hyperlink to registry transaction record)	Vintage	Stapled quantity	Eligible quantity (tCO <sub>2</sub> -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 (%)
Human-Ind Regenerat Duff Carbo Project, Qu	duced ion (HIR), on Farming ueensland	KACCU	ANREU	17 August 2022	8,347,610,453 - 8,347,612,852 Refer to screenshot in Appendix A	2022-23	-	2,400	0	0	2,400	61%
Human-Ind Regenerat North Kiml Pastoral L Western A	duced ion (HIR), berley ease project, ustralia	KACCU	ANREU	17 August 2022	8,343,175,862 - 8,343,177,361 Refer to screenshot in Appendix A	2021-22		1,500	0	0	1,500	39%
Total offsets retired this report and used in this report							ised in this report	3,900				
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	Type of offs	et units			Quantity (used for	this reporti	ng period	claim)	Percentage of	f total		
	Australian C	arbon Cred	lit Units (ACC	CUs)	3,900				100%			



# 7. RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE (REC) SUMMARY

Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) Summary

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# APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Offset registry screenshots

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### APPENDIX B: ELECTRICITY SUMMARY

Electricity emissions are calculated using a location (Philippines office) and market-based (Australian offices) 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	122,329	0	5%
Total non-grid electricity	122,329	0	5%
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)	431,235	0	18%
Residual Electricity	1,847,417	1,982,427	0%
Total grid electricity	2,278,652	1,982,427	18%
Total Electricity Consumed (grid + non grid)	2,400,981	1,982,427	23%
Electricity renewables	553,564	0	
Residual Electricity	1,847,417	1,982,427	
Exported on-site generated electricity	0	0	
Emissions (kgCO2e)		1,982,427	

Total renewables (grid and non-grid)	23.06%
Mandatory	17.96%
Voluntary	0.00%
Behind the meter	5.09%
Residual Electricity Emission Footprint (TCO2e)	1,982



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	0	0	0
SA	960,120	412,852	86,411
Vic	88,550	86,779	9,741
Qld	850,746	689,104	102,090
NT	0	0	0
WA	379,236	257,880	7,585
Tas	0	0	0
Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3)	2,278,652	1,446,615	205,826
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	122,329	0	0
Tas	0	0	0
Non-grid electricity (Behind the meter)	122,329	0	0
Total Electricity Consumed	2,400,981	1,446,615	205,826
Emission Footprint (TCO2e)	1 652		

Emission Footprint (TCO2e)	1,652
Scope 2 Emissions (TCO2e)	1447
Scope 3 Emissions (TCO2e)	206

Climate Active Carbon Neutral Electrici	ty summary	
Carbon Neutral electricity offset by Climate Active Product	Activity Data (kWh)	Emissions (kgCO2e)
N/A	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 attributable, 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 <u>one</u> of the following reasons:

- 1. Immaterial <1% for individual items and no more than 5% collectively
- 2. <u>Cost effective</u> 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
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A



### APPENDIX D: OUTSIDE EMISSION BOUNDARY

Non-attributable emissions have been assessed as not attributable to a product or service (do not carry, make or become the product/service) and are therefore not part of the carbon neutral claim. To be deemed attributable, an emission must meet two of the five relevance criteria. Emissions which only meet one condition of the relevance test can be assessed as non-attributable and therefore are outside the carbon neutral claim. Non-attributable emissions are detailed below.

- 1. <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.
- <u>Risk</u> The emissions from a particular source contribute to the organisation's greenhouse gas risk exposure.
- 4. <u>Stakeholders</u> Key stakeholders deem the emissions from a particular source are relevant.
- <u>Outsourcing</u> 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)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	Size	Influence	Risk	Stakeholders	Outsourcing
Investments	no	yes	no	no	no







An Australian Government Initiative