

National Carbon Offset Standard Carbon Neutral Program Public Disclosure Summary



An Australian Government Initiative

1. Organisation and Product Information

Table 1: Organisation and Product Information

Organisation Name	Education Services Australia ("ESA")	
Name of the subject(s) of certification	National Carbon Offset Standard (NCOS) Scheme	
Type of certification (tick all applicable)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Organisation	<input type="checkbox"/> Product/service
	<input type="checkbox"/> Part of organisation	<input type="checkbox"/> Event
Reporting year period	From 1/07/2012	To 30/06/2013
Emissions in this reporting year	1,508 t CO ₂ -e	
Base year period	From 1/07/2010	To 30/06/2011
Emissions in the base year	1,783 t CO ₂ -e	

2. Description of Organisation Activities

Established in 2010 through the merger of Curriculum Corporation and Education.au, Education Services Australia is a national, not-for-profit company owned by all Australian education ministers.

The company was established to support delivery of national priorities and initiatives in the schools, training and Higher Education sectors, in particular to



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advance key nationally-agreed education initiatives, programs and projects by providing services such as:

- researching, testing and developing effective and innovative technologies and communication systems for use in education;
- devising, developing and delivering curriculum and assessment, professional development, career and information support services;
- facilitating the pooling, sharing and distribution of knowledge, resources and services to support and promote e-learning; and
- supporting national infrastructure to ensure access to quality assured systems and content and interoperability between individuals, entities and systems;

ESA also creates, publishes, disseminates and markets curriculum and assessment materials, ICT-based solutions, products and services to support learning, teaching, leadership and administration.

The company has offices in Melbourne and Adelaide and has 223 staff.

The company is a pure office based consultancy.

3. Organisational & Geographic Boundary/ Scope & system Boundary

In terms of Organisational Boundaries, ESA uses the Operational Control method to determine its boundaries as per the principles of the GHG Protocol.

ESA provides accommodation and corporate services support to a small government secretariat (5 staff), that whilst part of its legal entity, ESA has no Operational or Financial control over, so has been excluded from its Organisational boundary on the basis of Operational Control per the GHG Protocol. This secretariat is called the Standing Council on School Education and Early Childhood.

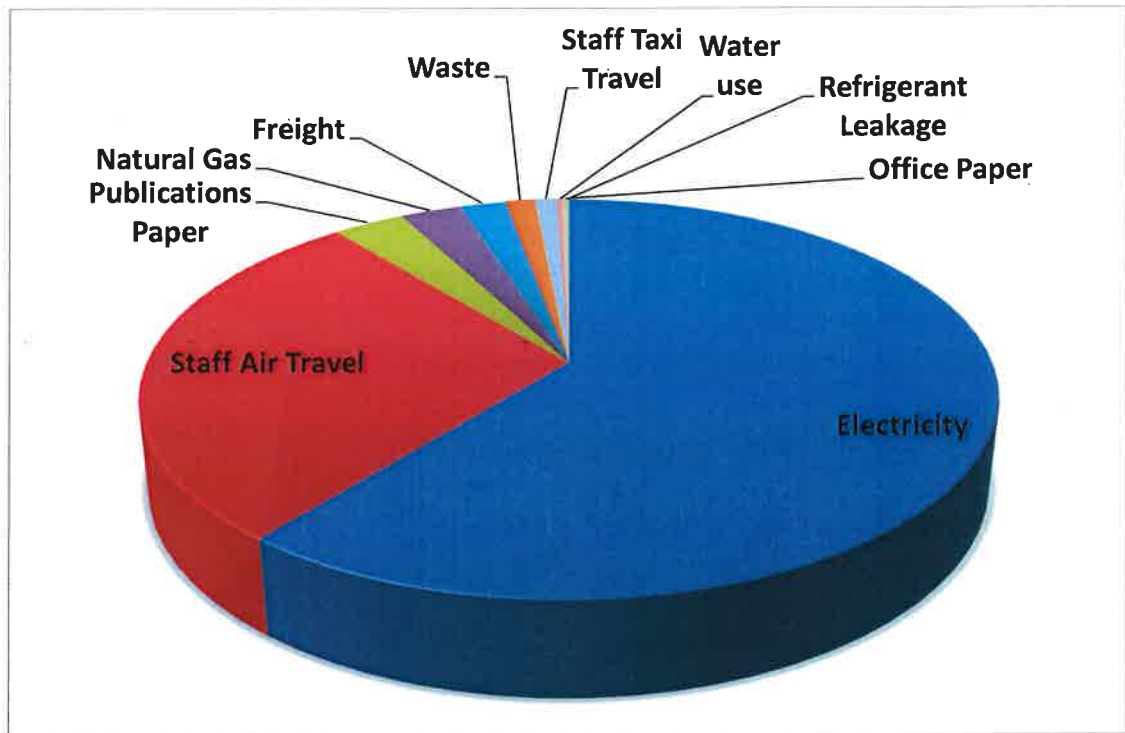
Staff commuting and end use of ESA's printed publications by customers are excluded from ESA's inventory because there is insufficient data to determine those emissions.

All other activities of ESA are included within its Organisational Boundary.

In terms of Boundary Consolidation, ESA is a single legal entity so has no consolidation of companies to consider. ESA includes its office in, Melbourne and Adelaide, which was closed during the financial year, in its emissions inventory. year

In terms of Operational Boundaries, ESA includes all scope 1 and scope 2 emissions, and all material and relevant scope 3 emissions

4. Diagram of the Boundary of the Subject of Certification



5. Purchase of GreenPower and Retirement of GreenPower Eligible Large-Scale Generation Certificates (LGCS)

Not applicable. No GreenPower or GreenPower LGCs purchased.

6. Purchase of NCOS Carbon Neutral Products

Not applicable. No NCOS Carbon Neutral Products purchased.

7. Total Carbon Footprint

Table 2: Emission sources, scopes and quantities

Scope	Emission source	t CO ₂ -e
1	Refrigerant Leakage	0.69
2	Purchased Electricity excluding base building	425.67
3	Staff Air Travel - Domestic <1,000 km	225.43
3	Staff Air Travel - Short Haul Intl 1,000-3,700km economy	128.62
3	Staff Air Travel - Short Haul Intl 1,000-3,700km Business	11.74
3	Staff Air Travel - Long Haul Int Economy >3,700km	31.61
3	Staff Air Travel - Long Haul Int Bus Class >3,700km	30.78
3	Purchased Electricity - tenant's share of base building use	389.21
3	Emissions from fuel extraction & T&D line losses for purchased electricity	51.19
3	Emissions from fuel extraction & T&D line losses for tenant's share of base building electricity	50.24
3	Publications Paper	48.12
3	Natural Gas used on site by landlord as part of base building services	38.21
3	Freight	30.81
3	General commercial and industrial solid waste	20.51
3	Staff Taxi Travel	14.52
3	Landlord supplied reticulated water use	4.71
3	Emissions from fuel extraction for natural gas used on site by landlord	2.90
3	Office Paper	2.83
Total carbon footprint in tonnes CO ₂ -e		1,508

8. Carbon Offset Purchases and Retirement for this Reporting Period

Education Services Australia purchased and cancelled 3,500 tonnes of carbon offsets through Climate Positive during the 2011/12 reporting process. 1,457 tonnes of that purchase were used in the 2011/12 reporting year to offset emissions disclosed for the 2011/12 plan year and a further 1,508 tonnes will be claimed for this current 2012/13 year. The remaining balance of 535 tonnes will be used for subsequent reporting periods

The carbon offsets were sourced from the Mongolia Chifeng Gaofeng Wind Power Project, which replaces carbon-intensive fossil fuel electricity generation in Mongolia and provides economic opportunities to the local community.

The project is accredited under the Verified Carbon Standard. Proof of the offsets' retirement can be found at the Markit Registry website under serial number 2188-89507614-89511113-VCU-008-APX-CN-1-813-01012009-31122009-0.

Details relating to the project and its verification are also published in the Verified Carbon Standard database www.vcsprojectdatabase.org.

Offset type	Registry	Serial number	Quantity (t CO ₂ -e)
VCU	Markit	2188-89507614-89511113-VCU-008-PAX-CN-1-813-01012009-31122009-0	3500

9. Emission Reduction Measures

On-going emission reduction incentives

Emission source	Reduction Measure	Scope	Status	Reduction t CO ₂ -e
Office equipment	Replace desktop PCs with less energy-intensive models	3	Planned for future reporting period	8
Office lights	Install automatic office lighting timers	3	Planned for future reporting period	7
Office equipment	Replace monitors with less energy-intensive models	3	Planned for future reporting	3

			period	
Office equipment	Replace photocopiers and printers with less energy-intensive models	3	Planned for future reporting period	2
Total emission reductions implemented in this reporting period				20

10. Other Information [Optional]

Further details in relation to ESA's environment actions, approach and policy, can be found in its Annual Environment Report at www.esa.edu.au

11. Declaration

To the best of my knowledge and having implemented the quality controls and standards required under the NCOS Carbon Neutral Program and made all appropriate inquiries, the information provided in this Public Disclosure Summary is true and correct.

Victor Peplow

Name of Signatory

Signature

Chief Financial Officer

Position / Title of Signatory

31/10/2013

Date