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Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement





NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY: Hub Australia

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 January—31 December 2019

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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1. Carbon neutral information

Description of Organisation

Hub Australia's mission is to create a home for businesses to grow. We deliver this through beautiful all-inclusive workspaces, and a curated and inspirational national and global business community. Founded by Brad Krauskopf in 2011, Hub Australia operates to not only provide beautiful and functional workspaces, but also to connect people and organisations with talent, ideas, and resources – helping them achieve their goals. Hub has become one of the largest Australian owned and operated coworking and flexible workspace providers, with locations in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Brisbane.

Description of certification

This inventory has been prepared for the financial year from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019.

The certification covers all the services provided by Hub Australia in the following locations and facilities:

- Hyde Park, 223 Liverpool Street, Darlinghurst 2010 NSW
- Customs House, 31 Alfred Street, Sydney 2000 NSW
- Southern Cross, 696 Bourke Street, Melbourne 3000 VIC
- Parliament Station, 1 Nicholson Street, East Melbourne 3002 VIC
- 162 Collins Street, Melbourne 3000 VIC
- Anzac Square, Level 6, 200 Adelaide Street, Brisbane 4000 QLD
- 5 Peel Street, Adelaide 5000 SA

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

Where possible, the calculation methodologies and emission factors used in this inventory are derived from the National Greenhouse Accounts (NGA) Factors in accordance with "Method 1" from the National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting (Measurement) Determination 2008.

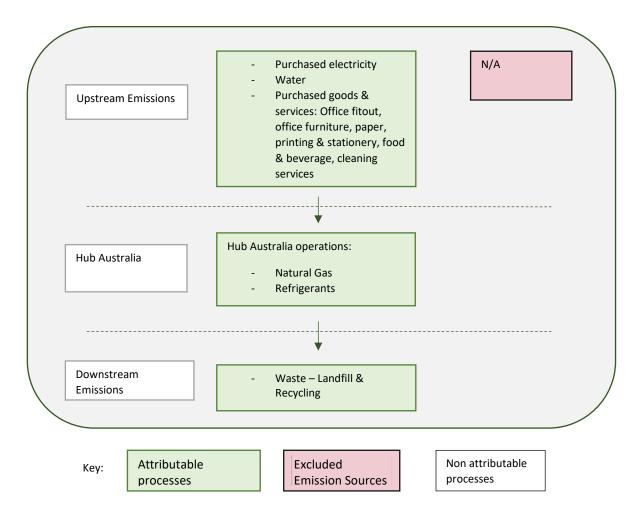
The greenhouse gases considered within the inventory are those that are commonly reported under the Kyoto Protocol; carbon dioxide (CO_2) , methane (CH_4) , nitrous oxide (N_2O) and synthetic gases - hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), perfluorocarbons (PFCs) sulphur hexafluoride (SF_6) and nitrogen trifluoride (NF_3) . These have been expressed as carbon dioxide equivalents (CO_2-e) using relative global warming potentials (GWPs).

Description of functional unit

The functional unit is number of members, with emissions expressed in terms of tCO_2 -e per member. A member is defined as being a person that has paid a fee to occupy a space within one of Hub Australia's workspaces.

Product/service process diagram

The following diagram is: cradle to grave



Emissions reduction strategy

Strategies for GHG reductions will be made upon review of the base year carbon inventory.

2. Emission Boundary

Diagram of the certification boundary

Attributable sources	
Quantified	Non-Quantified
Electricity *	N/A
Electricity (Base	
Building) *	
Natural Gas *	
Water *	<u>Excluded</u>
Paper *	N/A
Office Furniture *	
Office Fitout	
Cleaning Services *	
Printing & Stationery *	
Food & Beverage *	
Refrigerants *	
Waste – Landfill &	
Recycling *	

Non attributable

N/A

^{*} These activity sources are shared for both certifications however the total emissions have been split into organisation and service based on the total number of people (FTE for organisation and Member for service).

Attributable Non-quantified sources

N/A

Data management Plan

N/A

Excluded sources (within certification boundary)

N/A

Non Attributable sources (outside certification boundary)

N/A

3. Emissions summary

Table 3. Emissions Summary (inventory)			
Emission source category	tonnes CO ₂ -e		
Cleaning and Chemicals	104.147		
Construction Materials and Services	3133.467		
Electricity	3031.132		
Food	447.146		
Office equipment & supplies	2356.545		
Refrigerants	125.279		
Stationary Energy	0.195		
Waste	894.006		
Water	29.169		
Total inventory Emissions	10,121		
2. Net emissions per reference unit	2.763		
3. A) Number of reference units sold this period	3,663		
4. Carbon Footprint(Net emissions per reference units (2) * number of reference units (3a or b))	10,121		

Uplift factors

Table 4. Uplift factors	
Reason for uplift factor	tonnes CO ₂ -e
N/A	
Total uplift factors	
Total to Offset (Carbon footprint (table 3) + total uplift factors)	10,121

Carbon Neutral products

N/A

Electricity Summary

Electricity was calculated using a Location-based approach.

The Climate Active team are consulting on the use of a market vs location-based approach for electricity accounting with a view to finalising a policy decision for the carbon neutral certification by July 2020. Given a decision is still pending on the accounting way forward, a summary of emissions using both measures has been provided for full disclosure and to ensure year on year comparisons can be made.

Table 5: Market based approach Electricity summary

Electricity Inventory items	kWh Emissions tonnes CO2e			
Electricity Renewables	1,512,075	0.00		
Electricity Carbon Neutral Power	0	0.00		
Electricity Remaining	2,394,412	2,588.60		
Renewable electricity percentage	39%			
Net emissions (Market based approach)		2589		

Table 6 Location-based summary

State/ Territory	Electricity Inventory items	kWh	Full Emission factor (Scope 2 +3)	Emissions (tonnes CO2e)
ACT/NSW	Electricity Renewables	256,076	-0.90	-230.47
ACT/NSW	Electricity Carbon Neutral Power	-	-0.90	0.00
ACT/NSW	Netted off (exported on-site generation)	-	-0.81	0.00
ACT/NSW	Electricity Total	1,212,094	0.90	1,090.88
SA	Electricity Renewables	_	-0.53	0.00
SA	Electricity Carbon Neutral Power	-	-0.53	0.00
SA	Netted off (exported on-site generation)	-	-0.44	0.00
SA	Electricity Total	193,665	0.53	102.64
Vic	Electricity Renewables	529,392	-1.12	-592.92
Vic	Electricity Carbon Neutral Power	-	-1.12	0.00
Vic	Netted off (exported on-site generation)	-	-1.02	0.00
Vic	Electricity Total	1,764,818	1.12	1,976.60
Qld	Electricity Renewables	-	-0.93	0.00
Qld	Electricity Carbon Neutral Power	-	-0.93	0.00
Qld	Netted off (exported on-site generation)	-	-0.81	0.00
Qld	Electricity Total	735,909	0.93	684.40
	Total net electricity emissions (Location based)		0.00	3,031.13

4. Carbon offsets

Offset purchasing strategy: in arrear

Table 4 Offsets Summary

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1. Total o	1. Total offsets required for this report		10,1	10,121						
2. Offsets retired in previous re	eports and	used in th	is report	0						
3. Net o	ffsets requ	ired for th	is report	10,3	121					
Project description	Eligible offset units type	Registry unit retired in	Date reti	Date retired Serial number (including hyperlink to registry transaction record)		Vintage	Quantity (tonnes CO2-e)	Quantity used for previous report	Quantity to be banked for future years	Quantity to be used this report
Satara Wind Power Project in Maharashtra, India	VCUs	APX	03/07/2020		8138-460560179-460570603- VCU-050-APX-IN-1-1519- 01012019-31102019-0	2019	10,121	0	0	10,121
Total offsets retired this report and used in this report				10,121	_					
			Tot	al of	fsets retired this report and bank	ked for fu	ture reports	0		

Project Details and Co-benefits

The power generated from this project is to be exported to the Distribution Licensee (RIL), thus contributing to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by displacing traditional fossil fuel-based modes of power generation. The project activity involves installation of horizontal axis Wind Electric Generators (WEGs) with power output of 1500 kW each thus making the total installed capacity of the project activity 24MW.

The investment in the project will have a positive effect on the infrastructure of the region, by bringing about improvements in infrastructure of the region where the project activity is being implemented. For instance, the communications and road network in the region will receive significant improvements. Similarly, as the power from the project will be exported to RIL, the grid connectivity in the region will be improved as a direct result of the project activity. The project activity would also lead to employment generation during the time of construction and subsequently during operation.

5. Use of trade mark

Table 5

Description where trademark used	Logo type
Website	Certified service
Physical marketing collateral – i.e; brochures etc	Certified service
Social Media	Certified service
Staff email signature	Certified service

5. Additional information

In addition to our commitment to creating a home for businesses to grow, Hub Australia empowers the growth and acceleration of purpose-driven ventures and not-for-profits, as well as being committed to reducing our carbon footprint.

All our impact projects fall under one of our three impact pillars.

Product - We donate 1% of our total membership capacity to a diverse cohort of purpose-driven ventures.

Resources - We donate 1% of our time by supporting our team to undertake volunteering initiatives.

Environment - We are dedicated to becoming a certified carbon neutral business in July 2020.

We also head up the annual national coworking conference (GCUCAU) and are one of Australia's Best Places to Work as certified by Great Places to Work Australia (2019 & 2020).

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.

	Relevance Test				
Excluded Emission	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.
N/A					