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Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement




NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY: Koskela Pty Ltd

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 January 2019– 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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Position of Signatory	Director and CEO		



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1. Carbon neutral information

Description of certification

This certification includes all staff, facilities and premises in which Koskela Pty Ltd operates.

Organisation description

Koskela is an innovative and inspiring Australian furniture, design and lifestyle brand established in 2000. We are a Certified B Corporation® and exceptional design, ethical manufacturing and social impact is what drives us.

In a world already crammed with stuff we can only justify our existence by making the best products we possibly can. We manufacture in Australia to reduce our carbon footprint and guarantee fair labour conditions.

Koskela is deeply committed to using our design and production skills to empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and makers. We facilitate collaborations between artists working in Indigenous-owned art centres and our team, to create new contemporary design products and concepts.

Koskela's office and design showroom is located at 1/85 Dunning Ave Rosebery NSW 2018.

Emissions reduction strategy

All of Koskela's electricity is provided by accredited renewable generators through GreenPower, so these emissions have already been eliminated. In addition, Koskela is committed to continued emissions reductions by focusing on the key areas below.

Freight - Develop a relationship with service providers to understand the distances transported and opportunities for reductions or lower emissions modes.

Materials - Prioritise lower carbon intensity materials where possible and work with suppliers to understand supply chain related emissions.

Postage - Investigate the use of postage services to minimise unnecessary mail, prioritising digital alternatives and working with suppliers to reduce emissions intensity per item.

Flights - Review staff travel to identify essential and non-essential trips. Transition to using teleconferencing technology where possible or combining trips to improve efficiency.

2. Emission Boundary

Diagram of the certification boundary

<u>Quantified</u>	<u>Non-Quantified</u>	<u>Excluded</u>
Electricity	Office furniture	n/a
Telecommunications	Paper	
Water		
IT Equipment		
Staff clothing		
Staff commute to work		
Business travel		
Cleaning services		
Food and catering		
Postage		
Software subscriptions		
Printing and stationery		
Advertising		
Refrigerants		
Freight		
Product materials		
Waste		

Non-quantified sources

The embodied emissions of office furniture and paper were considered immaterial and so were not quantified.

Data management Plan

Koskela will seek to improve the data and emissions estimates associated with freight and materials to better inform its emissions reduction strategy.

Excluded sources (outside of certification boundary)

There were no excluded sources.

3. Emissions summary

Table 3.1. Emissions Summary	
Emission source category	tonnes CO ₂ -e
Accommodation and facilities	1.966
Air Transport (km)	27.705
Cleaning and Chemicals	3.628
Construction Materials and Services	439.208
Electricity	0.000
Food	7.783
ICT services and equipment	8.858
Land and Sea Transport (km)	15.452
Office equipment & supplies	10.808
Postage, courier and freight	1,082.212
Products	343.137
Professional Services	12.725
Refrigerants	0.686
Waste	4.121
Water	1.141
Total Net Emissions	1,959.429

Uplift factors

Table 3.2. Uplift factors	
Reason for uplift factor	tonnes CO ₂ -e
n/a	n/a
Total Footprint to offset (uplift factors + net emissions)	1,959.429

Carbon Neutral products

Koskela purchases carbon neutral GreenPower through Powershop.

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 3.3: Market-based approach Electricity summary

Electricity Inventory items	kWh	Emissions (tonnes CO ₂ e)
Electricity Renewables	258,142	0.00
Electricity Carbon Neutral Power	217,658	-235.31
Electricity Remaining	-40,484	-43.77
Renewable electricity percentage	119%	
Net emissions (Market based approach)		0

Table 3.4 Location-based summary

State/ Territory	Electricity Inventory items	kWh	Full Emission factor (Scope 2 +3)	Emissions (tonnes CO ₂ e)
ACT/NSW	Electricity Renewables	217,658	-0.90	-195.89
ACT/NSW	Electricity Carbon Neutral Power	217,658	-0.90	-195.89
ACT/NSW	Netted off (exported on-site generation)	-	-0.81	0.00
ACT/NSW	Electricity Total	217,658	0.90	195.89
	Total net electricity emissions (Location based)		0.00	0.00

4. Carbon offsets

Offset purchasing strategy: in arrears

Table 4.1 **Offsets Summary**

1. Total offsets required for this report				1,960					
2. Offsets retired in previous reports and used in this report				0					
3. Net offsets required for this report				1,960					
<i>Project description</i>	<i>Eligible offset units type</i>	<i>Registry unit retired in</i>	<i>Date retired</i>	<i>Serial number (including hyperlink to registry transaction record)</i>	<i>Vintage</i>	<i>Quantity (tonnes CO2-e)</i>	<i>Quantity used for previous report</i>	<i>Quantity to be banked for future years</i>	<i>Quantity to be used this report</i>
Aboriginal Carbon Fund ERF105045	KACCU	ANREU	21 Mar 2018	3,772,958,957-3,772,959,056	2018- 19	100	0	0	100
Satara Wind Power Project	VCU	APX	10 July 2020	8138-460570604-460572463-VCU-050-APX-IN-1-1519-01012019-31102019-0	2019	1,860	0	0	1,860
Total offsets retired this report and used in this report									1,960
Total offsets retired this report and banked for future reports									0

Co-benefits**Aboriginal Carbon Fund**

Examples of environmental, social and cultural core benefits are:

- Elders sharing traditional ecological knowledge with young people;
- Protection of rock art and sacred sites;
- Protection of the environment by Aboriginal led land and sea management;
- Meaningful employment aligning with the interests and values of Traditional Owners; and
- Contribution to increased pride and self- esteem of Aboriginal people.

5. Additional information

Koskela support sustainable, Australian-made products and are deeply committed to Social Impact.

Koskela is proud to have been the first furniture and homewares company in Australia to be a Certified B Corporation®. We believe in more than the bottom line and want to demonstrate how a better business can create a better world.

As product makers, we assess the lifecycle of the input materials we use and make enviro-friendly substitutes wherever possible. We also offer ways to refurbish your Koskela products to extend their life for as long as possible.

Within our business we do whatever possible to reduce our carbon footprint. That is why Koskela furniture is made in Australia. Many of our furniture pieces are GECA (Good Environmental Choice Australia) Certified.

Together with Rainforest Rescue, Koskela contributed towards the protection of a 27 hectare restoration showcase in the lower Daintree Rainforest, and the planted 3,577 trees to regenerate the damaged lowland rainforest. This has helped to remove approx. 9,000kg of planet-warming CO2 from our atmosphere every year and helps restore our world heritage listed rainforests.

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.

Excluded Emission	Relevance Test				
	<i>The emissions from a particular source are likely to be large relative to the organisation's electricity, stationary energy and fuel emissions</i>	<i>The emissions from a particular source contribute to the organisation's greenhouse gas risk exposure.</i>	<i>Key stakeholders deem the emissions from a particular source are relevant.</i>	<i>The responsible entity has the potential to influence the reduction of emissions from a particular source.</i>	<i>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.</i>
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a