



# **PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

**HAMTON GROUP PTY LTD**


**SMALL ORGANISATION CERTIFICATION  
FY2020–21**

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**Climate Active**  
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NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY	Hamton Group 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>Paul Hameister OAM Executive Chairman 17/03/2022</p>



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# 1.CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

TOTAL EMISSIONS OFFSET	32.84 tCO <sub>2</sub> -e
OFFSETS BOUGHT	100% VCU's
RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY	18.93%
TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT	Not applicable
THIRD PARTY VALIDATION	Type 1 1 March 2022 Benjamin Jenkins GPP Audit Pty Ltd

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## 2. CARBON NEUTRAL INFORMATION

### Description of certification

The certification is for the Australian business operations of Hamton Group Pty Ltd (trading as Hamton), ACN: 608 437 609, ABN: 70 395 122 017.

The certification and base year are the same (FY2020-21).

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.

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<sub>2</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) and synthetic gases - hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), perfluorocarbons (PFCs) sulphur hexafluoride (SF<sub>6</sub>) and nitrogen trifluoride (NF<sub>3</sub>). These have been expressed as carbon dioxide equivalents (CO<sub>2</sub>-e) using relative global warming potentials (GWPs).

*“At Hamton, we develop for people, creating vibrant communities with green botanical spaces that foster sustainability and encourage a nature-based lifestyle. We are proud to be recognised as a carbon neutral business and certified under the Climate Active scheme as part of our commitment to realise a better tomorrow for future generations”*

## Organisation description

At Hamton, we seek to realise a better tomorrow through developing well-considered projects for the people of Melbourne.

We care deeply about what we put our name to, the organisations we choose to work with, the individuals and communities who we ultimately develop for and the type of legacy that we leave.

Since 2005 we've cemented our reputation as a trusted industry leader, operating with the philosophy that success is earned, never taken for granted. We view each and every one of our development projects as an opportunity to improve Melbourne's urban landscape, while surpassing industry standards and delivering exceptional levels of liveability.

Our track record and strategic expertise has earned the trust and co-investment of renowned established institutions across Melbourne.

Discerning in the decisions we make, we choose to work with leading partners and are supported by our team of property development specialists who exhibit best-in-class strengths with an unrivalled commitment to their craft.

We bring institutional integrity to the developments which bear the Hamton signature and deliver consistent returns in the process.

Authentically human at heart, we place great importance on developing enduring connections and considering the human side of what we do.

We initiate and encourage open conversations with our customers and our partners to understand their aspirations and enrich their future. Reinvigorating the urban locations in which we operate and helping to create meaningful, vibrant communities.

We embrace a culture of courage. Unapologetic in the manner in which we pursue excellence, we foster innovation, invite curiosity and embrace an appetite to do it better as maintaining the status quo is never enough. Challenging industry norms in order to deliver exceptional outcomes is our goal.

We view every day as an opportunity for betterment in our pursuit of delivering people places that they will love.

We are Hamton. Realising a better tomorrow.

Our office is located at Suite 8/111 High Street, Prahran VIC 3181.

## 3.EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

This is a small organisation certification, which uses the standard Climate Active small organisation emissions boundary. Emission sources can be excluded if they do not occur.

### 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.

Inside emissions boundary		Outside emission boundary
<u>Quantified</u>	<u>Non-quantified</u>	<u>Excluded</u>
<i>Cleaning and chemicals</i>	N/A	<i>Stationary energy</i>
<i>Electricity</i>		<i>Accommodation &amp; facilities</i>
<i>ICT services &amp; equipment</i>		<i>Air transport (km)</i>
<i>Land &amp; sea transport</i>		<i>Food</i>
<i>Office equipment &amp; supplies</i>		<i>Professional services</i>
<i>Refrigerants</i>		<i>Postage, courier &amp; freight</i>
<i>Waste</i>		<i>Employee commuting</i>
<i>Water</i>		
<i>Working from home</i>		
<i>Carbon neutral products &amp; services</i>		

### 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

The following emissions reduction measures will be explored/implemented to reduce our emissions moving forward:

- Purchase 100% GreenPower for our office electricity bills within the next 6 months.
- Encourage landlord to purchase 100% GreenPower for common area electricity within the next 12 months.
- Within the next 12 months we will encourage staff to purchase 100% GreenPower for their home electricity.
- Purchase more energy efficient appliances, etc. as and when replacements are needed.
- Effectively immediately we have implemented a policy of purchasing certified carbon neutral paper for and will prioritise the purchase of other certified carbon neutral office equipment and supplies where available.
- Within the next 3 years we will explore cheaper options for our office phone and internet.
- Whilst there are currently no plans for staff to travel for business in the immediate future, we will implement a policy to offset flights at the point of purchase within the next 6 months.
- On an ongoing basis we will continue to preference conducting external meetings remotely, rather than face to face.



## 5.EMISSIONS SUMMARY

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

Hamton purchased some carbon neutral certified Reflex office paper in FY2020-21.

### Organisation emissions summary

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

Emission category	Sum of Scope 1 (tCO <sub>2</sub> -e)	Sum of Scope 2 (tCO <sub>2</sub> -e)	Sum of Scope 3 (tCO <sub>2</sub> -e)	Sum of total emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> -e)
Carbon neutral products and services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cleaning and chemicals	0.00	0.00	0.18	0.18
Electricity	0.00	11.89	0.00	11.89
ICT services and equipment	0.00	0.00	3.28	3.28
Land and sea transport (km)	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.20
Office equipment and supplies	0.00	0.00	5.25	5.25
Refrigerants	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.43
Waste	0.00	0.00	2.47	2.47
Water	0.00	0.00	0.33	0.33
Working from home	0.00	0.00	7.25	7.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.43</b>	<b>11.89</b>	<b>18.96</b>	<b>31.28</b>

### Uplift factors

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
Compulsory additional 5% for small organisations	1.56
<i>Total footprint to offset (uplift factors + net emissions)</i>	32.84

## 6. CARBON OFFSETS

### Offsets strategy

#### Offset purchasing strategy: In arrears

1. Total offsets previously forward purchased and banked for this report	Not applicable
2. Total emissions liability to offset for this report	32.84 tCO <sub>2</sub> -e
3. Net offset balance for this reporting period	33
4. Total offsets to be forward purchased to offset the next reporting period	0
5. Total offsets required for this report	33

### Co-benefits

The project is a 1,000MW hydroelectric power station on the Sutlej River in the Kinnaur district of Himachal Pradesh, India. It is one of the largest hydroelectric projects in northern India.

The co-benefits of this project include:

- Prevention of emissions that would otherwise result from the burning of fossil fuels.
- Improved infrastructure in the local area which benefits local communities (i.e. roads, education, health services, etc.).
- As a run-of-the-river project, it has a minimal environmental impact when compared to reservoir-based hydro-electric power plants.

## Offsets summary

### Proof of cancellation of offset units

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	Eligible quantity (tCO <sub>2</sub> -e)	Quantity used for previous reporting periods	Quantity banked for future reporting periods	Quantity used for this reporting period claim	Percentage of total (%)
Hydroelectric Project in Kinnaur District in Himachal Pradesh	VCUs	Verra	16 March 2022	<a href="#">9375-88287556-88287588-VCS-VCU-997-VER-IN-1-1742-01012019-31122019-0</a>	2019	33	0	0	33	100%
<b>Total offsets retired this report and used in this report</b>									33	
<b>Total offsets retired this report and banked for future reports</b>								0		
Type of offset units			Quantity (used for this reporting period claim)				Percentage of total			
Verified Carbon Units (VCUs)			33				100%			

## 7. RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE (REC) SUMMARY

### Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) summary

The following RECs have been surrendered to reduce electricity emissions under the market-based reporting method.

1. Large-scale Generation certificates (LGCs)*	N/A
2. Other RECs	N/A

\* LGCs in this table only include those surrendered voluntarily (including through PPA arrangements), and does not include those surrendered in relation to the LRET, GreenPower, and jurisdictional renewables.

Project supported by LGC purchase	Eligible units	Registry	Surrender date	Accreditation code (LGCs)	Certificate serial number	Generation year	Quantity (MWh)	Fuel source	Location
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total LGCs surrendered this report and used in this report							-	-	-

## APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Hamton also invested in biodiversity offsets through Greenfleet, who are a leading Australian not-for-profit environmental organisation based in Melbourne. Through supporting Greenfleet, we feel we're helping to address deforestation and restores habitat for wildlife including a variety of endangered species, as well as reducing erosion, improving water quality and economically supporting local and indigenous communities.

## APPENDIX B: ELECTRICITY SUMMARY

Electricity emissions are calculated using a market-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 <sub>2</sub> -e)	Renewable % of total
Behind the meter consumption of electricity generated	0	0	0%
<b>Total non-grid electricity</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
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)	2,586	0	19%
Residual electricity	11,078	11,887	0%
<b>Total grid electricity</b>	<b>13,664</b>	<b>11,887</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>Total electricity consumed (grid + non grid)</b>	<b>13,664</b>	<b>11,887</b>	<b>19%</b>
Electricity renewables	2,586	0	
Residual electricity	11,078	11,887	
<b>Exported on-site generated electricity</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	
Emission footprint (kgCO <sub>2</sub> -e)		11,887	

<b>Total renewables (grid and non-grid)</b>	<b>18.93%</b>
<b>Mandatory</b>	<b>18.93%</b>
<b>Voluntary</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Behind the meter</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Residual electricity emission footprint (tCO<sub>2</sub>-e)</b>	<b>11.89</b>

*Figures may not sum due to rounding. Renewable percentage can be above 100%*

### Location-based approach summary

Location-based approach	Activity data (kWh)	Emissions (kgCO <sub>2</sub> -e)
VIC	13,664	14,893
<b>Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3)</b>	<b>13,664</b>	<b>14,893</b>
VIC	0	0
<b>Non-grid electricity (behind the meter)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total electricity consumed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Emission footprint (tCO<sub>2</sub>-e)</b>	<b>14.89</b>	

### Climate Active carbon neutral electricity summary

Carbon neutral electricity offset by Climate Active product	Activity data (kWh)	Emissions (kgCO <sub>2</sub> -e)
<i>Not applicable</i>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

*Climate Active carbon neutral electricity is not considered renewable electricity. The emissions have been offset by another Climate Active carbon neutral 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
-	-	-	-	-



## 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.

Emissions from employee commuting have been assessed as not relevant according to the relevance test.

Although food, professional services, postage, courier & freight, stationary energy, accommodation and air transport are deemed relevant emissions sources under the small organisation certification, we did not use them in the FY2020-21 period and as such they have not been included in PDS or carbon inventory.

Emission sources tested for relevance	(1) Size	(2) Influence	(3) Risk	(4) Stakeholders	(5) Outsourcing	Included in boundary?
Employee commuting	N	N	N	N	N	N



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