

# PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

CITY OF MELBOURNE MELBOURNE KNOWLEDGE WEEK 2022 9 – 15 MAY

PRE-EVENT REPORT

Australian Government

# Climate Active Pre-event Public Disclosure Statement

Large event







NAME OF RESPONSIBLE ENTITY: CITY OF MELBOURNE

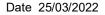
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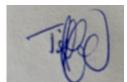
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#### **Declaration**

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.

Signature





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Position of Signatory: Co-Director, Climate Change and City Resilience



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## 1. Carbon neutral information

Activity data collected from previous occurrences of this event has informed the preparation of this carbon inventory.

#### **Event introduction**

Melbourne Knowledge Week (MKW) is an annual festival that brings Melburnians together to explore and discuss, to share ideas, to challenge assumptions, and to spark new ways of thinking. Across seven days, the broad program of events, workshops and performances celebrates Melbourne's rich heritage and potential for innovation.

MKW was first certified carbon neutral in 2019, was cancelled in 2020 due to COVID19, but continued in 2021. MKW will continue a hub style program with five primary hubs within closer proximity to the central business district to create a 'Little Lonsdale Corridor', aimed at encouraging greater street activation. Hubs for 2022 will include:

- Wesley Place a public urban park in the CBD
- QV Melbourne a precinct in the heart of the CBD, including the QV square, the Queen Victoria
   Women's Centre and No Vacancy gallery space
- The State Library of Victoria Victoria's main public library in the heart of the CBD
- Melbourne Connect a new space within the Melbourne Innovation District
- The Wheeler Centre a literary and publishing centre in the southern wing of the State Library of Victoria

## Additional venues will include

- The Melbourne Town Hall Commons hosting a permanent display of a 'City DNA 3D model'
- The Capitol (RMIT) a historic theatre on Swanston Street
- Foys Arcade an innovative exhibition space

Events are classified for emissions reporting purposes into three tiers:

- Tier one Events run either directly by City of Melbourne (CoM) or run within a MKW hub
- Tier two Events induced by MKW with funding but run by partner organisations
- Tier three Events run by partners under the banner of MKW but without MKW influence

While Tier three events are outside operational control of MKW, they are still included in the scope of the emissions inventory via a 5% uplift factor. This 5% represents the proportional patronage of Tier 3 events to Tiers 1 and 2. In total, MKW is expected to attract around 36,000 attendees.



## 2. Emissions reduction measures

**Reduce virgin materials in hub fit out**: The City of Melbourne will again engage Moth Designs for the fit out and theming for MKW 2022. Moth has been working with the City of Melbourne on a number of large events over many years and employs a zero-waste ethos and prioritises reuse and recyclablability to all the items it produces. One of the over-arching principles of this contract is to minimise the use of new construction material in creating event theming items (e.g. booths, activations, sets, bars and signage).

**Sustainable transport communication:** It is now well understood that attendee transport is the second largest source of emission for CoM major events. Attendees to MKW 2022 will be encouraged to walk, cycle or take a tram to reduce their transport emissions.

## 3. Emissions boundary

## **Emission boundary Diagram**

### Quantified

Electricity

Natural gas

Travel:

- Ground

Accommodation (for visiting speakers)

Food and drink

Waste and recycling

Construction materials

Professional services:

- Advertising and promotion
- Entertainment
- Business services
- Photographic services
- PR and communications

#### Non-quantified

Water – Not a material emissions source as it is less than 1% and difficult to get data from venues

Fuel from food trucks

### **Excluded**

Attendee accommodation – MKW attracts a predominantly local audience. It is reasonably assumed that any interstate or international attendees have not travelled to Melbourne for the purpose of attending the event.



## 4. Emissions summary

Table 1 Emissions summary

Emission source category	tonnes CO₂-e
Electricity	16.4
Ground transport	18.3
Accommodation	0.3
Food and drink	20.9
Waste	2.9
Construction materials	30.4
Professional services	150
Postal Services	0.4
Tot	al tCO₂-e <sup>240</sup>
Uplift factor (5%)	4
Total tCO₂-e + upl	ift factor 244

The 5% uplift factor covers all tier three events which are advertised under the banner of MKW but which are not managed or induced by CoM. Professional service and transport have been excluded from this as they already apply to tier three events and including them in the uplift would constitute double counting.



## 5. Data collection

Table 2 Data collection

Emission source	Data collection method	Assumptions
Attendee Travel	MKW conducts a survey of up to 500 attendees and gathers - 1) mode of transport and 2) origin of destination (postcode) Total distance travelled by each mode is calculated and then extrapolated across all attendee numbers and an attribution factor is applied based on whether an attendee attended a paid event, a free event or just an event activation.	<ul> <li>The extrapolation is representative of true travel distance</li> <li>The attribution factor accurately represents the proportion of travel that can be attributed to the event versus other activities the attendee may have travelled for on that day.</li> </ul>
Accommodation	Attendee accommodation is not quantified.  Accommodation for visiting speakers is coordinated by CoM and all booking information is available.	MKW is predominantly attended by Victorians.
Food	Data collection sheets are given to those events known to have catering. Catering will be managed by a limited number of suppliers at hub venues and restaurants. This data can be collected directly from these caterers.	Tier three events utilize catering proportionally to hub events thus the subsequent emissions are picked up through the uplift factor.
Electricity	Electricity accounts from each hub venue will be collected and a daily average calculated and applied to the number of days the venue is used for MKW.	The average daily electricity usage is representative of actual daily electricity usage times the percentage of venue floor space used over the period of MKW.
Waste	Hub venues will present all waste and recycling on a data collection sheet provided ahead of the event.	The average daily waste usage is representative of actual waste collected over the MKW period times the percentage of venue floor space used.
Construction Materials and Services	Providers of construction services will present all relevant construction material costs on a data collection sheet provided ahead of construction.	
Professional Services	All invoices for the various professional services will be provided by event management staff.	



## 6. Eligible offset units

Offsets summary

Table 3: Offsets summary

Project description	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 t/CO2	Percentag of total (%
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						Total offse	ts retired this	report and used	in this report	244	
				offsets retired this	-		_		177		
Type of offset units			Quan	tity (used for this i	reporting pe	riod claim	) Percenta	ge of total			
Australian Carbon Cr	edit Units (	ACCUs)	50				20%				
Verified Carbon Units	(VCUs)		194				80%				



\*The City of Melbourne's offset provider has pre-retired all 1000 ACCUs from this project. A total of 147 units were attributed to Melbourne Knowledge Week 2021. A further 364 are attributed to Moomba 2022, 262 units to Firelight 2022 and 50 units are attributed to Melbourne Knowledge Week 2022. This leaves 177 units which will be attributed to future carbon neutral events



## 7. Use of certification trade mark

### Table 4: Trade mark register

Description where trademark used	Logo type
Melbourne Knowledge Week website	Certified event





## **Certificate of Verified Carbon Unit (VCU) Retirement**

Verra, in its capacity as administrator of the Verra Registry, does hereby certify that on 28 Mar 2022, 194 Verified Carbon Units (VCUs) were retired on behalf of:

City of Melbourne - carbon credits retired on behalf of Melbourne Knowledge Week 2022 to comply with Climate Active certification.

#### **Project Name**

Grouped Hydropower Plants in Chongqing, Yunnan, Sichuan and Guizhou Provinces, P.R. China

#### **VCU Serial Number**

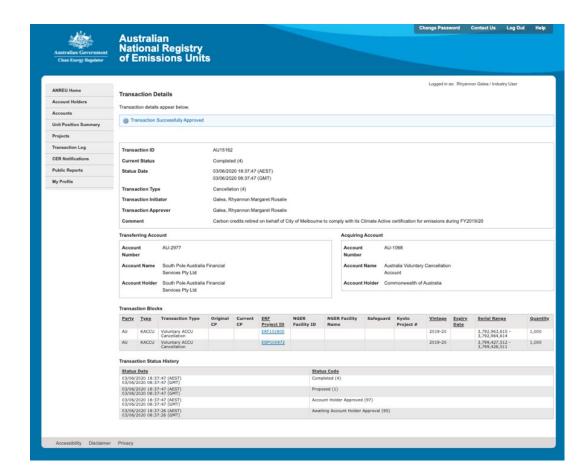
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### **Additional Certifications**

Social Carbon

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## **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.

Table 9

Relevance test					
Excluded emission sources	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.
Attendee accommodation	No	No	Yes	No	No



## APPENDIX 2

## Non-quantified emissions for the event

Please advise which of the reasons applies to each of your non-quantified emissions. You may add rows if required.

Table 10

Non-quantification test							
Relevant-non- quantified emission sources	Immaterial <1% for individual items and no more than 5% collectively	Quantification is not cost effective relative to the size of the emission but uplift applied.	Data unavailable but uplift applied. A data management plan must be put in place to provide data within 5 years.	Initial emissions non-quantified but repairs and replacements quantified			
Water	Yes	Yes	No	No			
Fuel from food trucks	Yes	Yes	No	No			

