



PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

**SIMPLYGREEN AUSTRALIA PTY. LTD
ORGANISATION CERTIFICATION
FY2021-22**

Australian Government
Climate Active
Public Disclosure Statement



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| NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY | Simplygreen Australia Pty. Ltd. |
| REPORTING PERIOD | Financial year 2022: 1 July 2021 – 30 June 2022 Arrears report |
| 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>  |
| | Name of signatory: Bobby Karanfilov Position of signatory: CEO Date: 12 th July 2023 |



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1. CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| TOTAL EMISSIONS OFFSET | 169 tCO ₂ -e |
| OFFSETS BOUGHT | 100% VERS |
| RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY | 100% renewables |
| TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT | Date: 12 July 2023 Name: Tara Shakya Organisation: Evaluate8 Sustainability Next technical assessment due: Date July 2024 |
| THIRD PARTY VALIDATION | Type 1 Date: 12 July 2023 Name: Merryn Fisk Organisation: KSR Partners Pty Ltd |

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2. CARBON NEUTRAL INFORMATION

Description of certification

The emission inventory in this public disclosure summary covering the Australian business operations of Simplygreen Australia Pty. Ltd. For the period from 1 July 2021 31 June 2022 reporting period has been developed in accordance with the Climate Active Carbon Neutral Standard for Organisations.

Organisation description

Simplygreen Australia Pty. Ltd. with ABN: 60123823914 is a for-purpose business, our commitment to sustainability and Corporate Social Responsibility enables us to be a force for good and have a positive impact on both the environment and community. We were established in 2006 to provide organisations with effective, flexible and eco-friendly salary packaging solutions.

Since 2007, we've recognised the importance of sustainability and meeting the needs of today without compromising the ability of future generations to meet theirs. Our office is located at a co-working space called The Commons which is 4.5 NABERS rated building.

Alongside our customers and members, we strive to make a positive contribution through our commitment to environmental awareness within our community and the world around us. We also believe in the power of financial wellbeing and financial sustainability to enable people to achieve their financial goals and manage money with confidence, for today and into the future.

We continue to evolve everyday with new ideas and ways to be even more sustainable. At Simplygreen, some of the ways we do this is by operating to the highest ethical standards, we track and manage our own carbon emissions, we partner with diverse suppliers, we've implemented a sophisticated recycling system and we volunteer for causes we're passionate about. We're proud to be recognised as a certified B Corp. Simplygreen (ABN: 60123823914) shares a co-working space in Collingwood.

We also give our clients and their employees the same opportunities. Below are the ways Simplygreen does this through carbon offsetting, giving to charity and creating an organisation that can be a force for good. Since 2007, we've been 100% carbon offsetting our fleet of novated lease cars. We pay carbon offset credits to our environmental partner, South Pole, who allocate the funds towards some of the most pressing environmental issues and projects around the world, including in Australia. Our members are encouraged to purchase electric, or hybrid cars and we provide guidance on the latest options.

*“Our mission to
“create happy,
healthy and
sustainable
workplaces across
Australia” reflects
this commitment
and is something we
truly believe in at
Simplygreen.”*

Table 1. Company information

| Company Information | |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Website | simplygreen.com.au |
| Business area | Simplygreen Australia Pty Ltd |
| Number of employees (Full-time and part-time) | 11 (permanent) + 2 (contractors) |

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 |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| <p><u>Quantified</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advertising Electricity Professional Services Food & catering ICT Costs IT Equipment Staff Commute Freight & Courier Cleaning and Chemicals Refrigerants Climate Active Carbon Neutral Products Ground Transport Printing & Stationery Accommodation Work from home Water Waste | <p><u>Non-quantified</u></p> | <p><u>Excluded</u></p> <p>Operational expenditure without consumption associated (e.g., depreciation, salary, etc.).</p> <p>Operational and capital expenditure that is deemed not-relevant based on the Climate Active relevance test.</p> |

Data management plan for non-quantified sources

N/a

Data management plan

The data management plan below outlines how more rigorous quantification can be achieved for material (greater than 1%) non-quantified emission sources.

4. EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

Emissions reduction strategy

Simplygreen is committed to best practice sustainability standards both in our own operations and through our clients.

In 2021 we relocated our offices to a 6-Star Green Star building, more information on this can be found here - [Projects | 54 Wellington Street, Collingwood, Australia \(aurecongroup.com\)](#).

In 2022 we committed to obtaining Climate Active Certification, after previously purchasing offsets on a per-product-sold basis.

We aim to remain carbon neutral by minimising our emissions. We need to purchase carbon offsets to be carbon neutral, but we want to engage in practices that keep the number required as close to zero as possible.

Going forward the focus of the next year will be to reduce transport emissions. This will be done by telecommuting and virtual meetings wherever possible. We will encourage our staff to use public transport, walk, cycle or use renewable energy powered electric vehicles to travel to work (class A travel) rather than use vehicles powered by fossil fuels (class B travel). At present over 70% of trips to and from work are made using class A travel. We provide bicycle storage on site for staff and aim to raise this percentage to over 80% by 2024.

As we have already implemented many initiatives to reduce emissions, we recognise that achieving further reductions will be more difficult. We also hope to grow our business over time, and increased business activity can lead to a rise in emissions. Our base year emissions were 169 tonnes Co2e with 13 FTE which results in the emissions intensity of 13 tonnes co2e. Our goal is to reduce this by 5% by 2030, which would equal an emissions intensity of 12.35 tonnes co2e per FTE.

We assist our clients to be more sustainable by promoting and incentivizing the purchase of electric vehicles. We will track the percentage and number of electric (1) and hybrid (2) vehicles purchased with the assistance of Simplygreen's smart leasing.

5. EMISSIONS SUMMARY

Use of Climate Active carbon neutral products and services

None known.

Organisation emissions summary

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

| Row Labels | Sum of Total Emissions (t CO ₂ -e) |
|---|---|
| Accommodation and facilities | 20.05 |
| Cleaning and Chemicals | 0.00 |
| Climate Active Carbon Neutral Products and Services | 0.00 |
| Electricity | 0.00 |
| Food | 2.23 |
| ICT services and equipment | 5.25 |
| Office equipment & supplies | 2.17 |
| Postage, courier and freight | 1.61 |
| Professional Services | 9.79 |
| Refrigerants | 0.00 |
| Stationary Energy (liquid fuels) | 112.99 |
| Transport (Air) | 2.47 |
| Transport (Land and Sea) | 4.20 |
| Waste | 0.00 |
| Water | 0.00 |
| Working from home | -0.24 |
| Grand Total | 160.52 |

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 ₂ -e |
|---|---------------------|
| Compulsory additional 5% of the total to be added for small organisations | 8.03 |
| Total of all uplift factors | |
| Total footprint to offset <i>(total net emissions from summary table + total uplifts)</i> | 168.55 |

6. CARBON OFFSETS

Offsets retirement approach

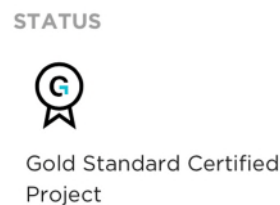
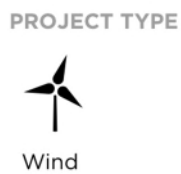
| In arrears | |
|---|--------|
| 1. Total emissions footprint to offset for this report | 168.55 |
| 2. Total eligible offsets purchased and retired for this report | 169 |
| 3. Total eligible offsets banked to use toward next year's report | None |

Co-benefits

Simplygreen chose to offset the 'Akbük Wind Farm Project' and 'Larimar Wind Farm Project', because of their commitment to promoting renewable energy. Large scale renewable energy is a critical first step in decarbonizing the economy and an important part of supporting the adoption of electric vehicles, which is an important part of Simplygreen's strategy.

They believe that investing in wind energy is a step towards reducing greenhouse gas emissions and promoting a cleaner environment. These efforts have co-benefits for the environment and for society, by reducing air pollution, improving public health, and supporting the growth of a green economy.

Below is a breakdown of the types of projects and their Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) impacts.



Eligible offsets retirement summary

Gold Standard Marketplace Order GSM15555 for These units were cancelled on behalf of Evalue8 Sustainability to support its carbon neutral claim against the Climate Active Carbon Neutral Standard Financial Year 2021-22.

| 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 | Stapled quantity | Eligible quantity (tCO ₂ -e) | Eligible quantity used for previous reporting periods | Eligible quantity banked for future reporting periods | Eligible quantity used for this reporting period | Percentage of total (%) |
| Akbuk Wind Farm Project, Turkey (GS436) | VERS | GSR | Apr 17, 2023 | GS1-1-TR-GS436-12-2015-7440-7400-7566 | 2015 | 167 | 167 | 0 | 0 | 167 | 98.82% |
| Larimar Wind Farm Project, Dominican Republic (DO)-1644 | VCU | Verra | July 18, 2023 | 11652-347949146-347949147-VCS-VCU-394-VER-DO-1-1644-01012018-31122018-0 | 2018 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1.18% |
| Total offsets retired this report and used in this report | | | | | | | | | | 169 | |
| Total offsets retired this report and banked for future reports | | | | | | | | | 0 | | |

| Type of offset units | Quantity (used for this reporting period claim) | Percentage of total |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| Verified Emissions Reductions (VERs) | 167 | 98.82% |
| Verified Carbon Units (VCUs) | 2 | 1.18% |

7. RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE (REC) SUMMARY

Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) summary

N/A

APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

N/A

APPENDIX B: ELECTRICITY SUMMARY

Electricity is calculated using the market-based approach. Simplygreen's operations are from tenancy agreement with The Commons who has a 4.5 NABERS rating which is 100% green power. It uses 2.5% of The Commons based on the number of Simplygreen staff of the total occupancy of The Commons.

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 (kgCO2e) | Renewable Percentage of total |
| Behind the meter consumption of electricity generated | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| Total non-grid electricity | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| LGC Purchased and retired (kWh) (including PPAs & Precinct LGCs) | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| GreenPower | 3,786 | 0 | 100% |
| 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) | 704 | 0 | 19% |
| Residual Electricity | -704 | -700 | -19% |
| Total grid electricity | 3,786 | -700 | 100% |
| Total Electricity Consumed (grid + non grid) | 3,786 | -700 | 119% |
| Electricity renewables | 4,490 | 0 | |
| Residual Electricity | -704 | -700 | |
| Exported on-site generated electricity | 0 | 0 | |
| Emissions (kgCO2e) | | 0 | |
| Total renewables (grid and non-grid) | | 118.59% | |
| Mandatory | | 18.59% | |
| Voluntary | | 100.00% | |
| Behind the meter | | 0.00% | |
| Residual Electricity Emission Footprint (TCO2e) | | 0 | |
| <i>Figures may not sum due to rounding. Renewable percentage can be above 100%</i> | | | |

Location Based Approach Summary

| Location Based Approach | Activity Data (kWh) | Scope 2 Emissions (kgCO2e) | Scope 3 Emissions (kgCO2e) |
|--|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| ACT | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NSW | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SA | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vic | 3,786 | 3,445 | 379 |
| Qld | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NT | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| WA | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tas | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3) | 3,786 | 3,445 | 379 |
| ACT | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NSW | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SA | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vic | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Qld | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NT | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| WA | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tas | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Non-grid electricity (Behind the meter) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Electricity Consumed | 3,786 | 3,445 | 379 |
| Emission Footprint (TCO2e) | | 4 | |
| <i>Scope 2 Emissions (TCO2e)</i> | | 3 | |
| <i>Scope 3 Emissions (TCO2e)</i> | | 0 | |

| Carbon Neutral electricity offset by Climate Active Product | Activity Data (kWh) | Emissions (kgCO2e) |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|
| <i>Enter product name/s here</i> | 0 | 0 |

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.

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.

Excluded emission sources

Operational expenditure without consumption associated (e.g., depreciation, salary, etc.).

Operational and capital expenditure that is deemed not-relevant based on the Climate Active relevance test.

| Emission sources tested for relevance | (1) Size | (2) Influence | (3) Risk | (4) Stakeholders | (5) Outsourcing | Included in boundary? |
|---------------------------------------|----------|---------------|----------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Depreciation | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Salary | No | No | No | No | No | No |



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