



PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

APPRISE RISK SOLUTIONS PTY LTD

ORGANISATION CERTIFICATION
CY2023

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Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement



NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY	Apprise Risk Solutions Pty Ltd
REPORTING PERIOD	1 January 2023 – 31 December 2023 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>  <p>John Campbell CEO Apprise Risk Solutions 14 May 2024</p>



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the Environment and Water**

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1.CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

TOTAL EMISSIONS OFFSET	208 tCO ₂ -e
CARBON OFFSETS USED	100% VCU
RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY	N/A
CARBON ACCOUNT	Prepared by: Pangolin Associates
TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT	2 May 2023 Pangolin Associates Next technical assessment due: CY2025 report

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2.CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Description of organisation certification

This organisation certification is for the business operations of Apprise Risk Solutions Pty Ltd, ABN 64 638 815 997. This Public Disclosure Statement includes information for the CY2023 reporting period.

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 (CO₂), methane (CH₄), nitrous oxide (N₂O) and synthetic gases.

Organisation description

Apprise Risk Solutions Pty Ltd, ABN 64 638 815 997 is an Australian-owned and operated residential property valuations business. Apprise supplies valuations to mortgage brokers, financial institutions and Australia's banks via our team of experienced property valuers working remotely across the country. In 2023 Apprise employed a team of 42 employees working in both full time and part time capacities from their homes, we do not have any offices and have limited business travel.

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. This includes the following locations and facilities:

- There is no physical office. All employees work from home.

3.EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

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 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

Quantified

Accommodation and facilities

Climate Active carbon neutral products and services

Food

ICT services and equipment

Office equipment and supplies

Postage, courier and freight

Products

Professional Services

Transport (air)

Transport (Land and Sea)

Waste

Water

Working from home

Non-quantified

N/A

Optionally included

N/A

Outside emission boundary

Excluded

N/A

4.EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

Emissions reduction strategy

Our focus for the next year and beyond will be to collaborate with our partners and suppliers on strategies to decrease our environmental impact. Since all our emissions fall under scope three, we aim to reduce our carbon footprint by 15% over the next ten years by 2032, compared to a CY2022 base year.

By 2032, we will aim to reduce our scope three emissions by:

- Action 1: investigating the potential to engage suppliers for the purpose of achieving more accurate emissions calculations of our purchased goods and services.
- Action 2: investigate other existing Data services and recruitment services suppliers to build a less carbon-intensive supply chain for our services.
- Action 3: We will offset our travel by having online meetings where possible and aiming to purchase carbon-neutral flights to reduce business travel emissions. We will aim to reduce this by 15% over the next five years.

Becoming carbon neutral is Apprise Risk Solution's way of demonstrating our commitment to supporting the responsible transition to net zero emissions and a sustainable future. In an industry that is heavily reliant on motor vehicles to complete tasks, Apprise has adopted a new remote model, eliminating the need for cars for site inspections and travel to the office. By acting to consciously measure and reduce our carbon footprint we hope to inspire our team, customers, partners, and suppliers to consider the impact their emissions have on the future of our planet. We hope to show that progress is possible by implementing our reduction plan and purchasing offsets that contribute to environmental progress over time.

Emissions reduction actions

The increase in our emissions is a direct result of overall business growth. Our team has grown from 30 to 42 employees and our costs across certain sectors have also increased because of increased revenue and onboarding new clients.

In an effort to reduce our emission over the year we have taken the following actions:

- Purchased carbon offsets upfront on any travel related expenses, flights or hire cars. We are significantly more conscious about the need to travel for meetings and have met online wherever possible.
- We have researched all our suppliers and are currently reviewing our contracts with some major suppliers to look for more sustainable alternatives. We are somewhat limited by market availability of the services we require.
- We have invested in our own bespoke technology platform to reduce our reliance on supply chain

partners for technology services and utilised inhouse resources for recruiting to reduce our reliance on professional services.

- Where available, supplier specific emission factors were used to generate more accurate emissions estimates. These emission factors were derived using publicly available emissions reporting and revenue reporting from the reporting period. This is relevant for the following suppliers and their most recent reporting year:
 - Amazon Web Services (FY2023);
 - Microsoft (FY2021);
 - Telstra (FY2022);
 - Sales Force (FY2022).

5.EMISSIONS SUMMARY

Emissions over time

Emissions since base year			
		Total tCO ₂ -e (without uplift)	Total tCO ₂ -e (with uplift)
Base year/ Year 1:	2022	121.3	N/A
Year 2:	2023	207.2	N/A

Significant changes in emissions

Significant changes in emissions			
Emission source	Previous year emissions (t CO ₂ -e)	Current year emissions (t CO ₂ -e)	Reason for change
Storage	27.61	108.03	The majority of these emissions are attributable to the use of CoreLogic. A flat fee is charged for the data every time we complete a job, and the increase is therefore a reflection of growth.

Use of Climate Active carbon neutral products, services, buildings or precincts

Certified brand name	Product/Service/Building/Precinct used
Pangolin Associates	Consulting Service
Hub	Hub Wynyard Meeting Space Hire
Qantas / Jetstar	Carbon Neutral Flight Opt-In
Virgin Australia	Carbon Neutral Flight Opt-In

Emissions summary

The electricity summary is available in the Appendix B. There were no electricity emissions as Apprise Risk Solutions does not occupy an office and employees work from home only.

Emission category	Scope 1 emissions (tCO ₂ -e)	Scope 2 emissions (tCO ₂ -e)	Scope 3 emissions (tCO ₂ -e)	Total emissions (t CO ₂ -e)
Accommodation and facilities	0.00	0.00	2.20	2.20
Climate Active carbon neutral products and services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Food	0.00	0.00	3.89	3.89
ICT services and equipment	0.00	0.00	127.86	127.86
Office equipment & supplies	0.00	0.00	0.69	0.69
Postage, courier and freight	0.00	0.00	0.41	0.41
Products	0.00	0.00	2.81	2.81
Professional Services	0.00	0.00	49.28	49.28
Transport (Air)	0.00	0.00	9.04	9.04
Transport (Land and Sea)	0.00	0.00	0.56	0.56
Waste	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Water	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Working from home	0.00	0.00	10.28	10.28
Total emissions (tCO₂-e)	0.00	0.00	207.02	207.02

Uplift factors

N/A

6. CARBON OFFSETS

Eligible offsets retirement summary

Offsets retired for Climate Active certification

Type of offset units	Eligible quantity (used for this reporting period)	Percentage of total
Verified Carbon Units (VCUs)	208	100%

Project description	Type of offset units	Registry	Date retired	Serial number (and hyperlink to registry transaction record)	Vintage	Stapled quantity	Eligible quantity retired (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 (%)
Bundled Solar Power Project by Solararise India Projects PVT. LTD.	VCU	Verra	21 May 2024	10730-245110074-245110281-VCS-VCU-997-VER-IN-1-1762-26042018-31122018-0	2018	-	208	0	0	208	100%
Total eligible offsets retired and used for this report										208	
Total eligible offsets retired this report and banked for use in future reports										0	

Co-benefits

The project activity involves the installation of Solar PV project. The total installed capacity of the project is 120 MW of Solar PV plant located at different states in India. The project is promoted by SolarArise India Projects Pvt. Ltd.

Co-benefits:

Social well-being: The project would help in generating employment opportunities during the construction and operation phases. The project activity will lead to development in infrastructure in the region like development of roads and also may promote business with improved power generation.

Economic well-being: The project is a clean technology investment in the region, which would not have been taken place in the absence of the VCS benefits the project activity will also help to reduce the demand supply gap in the state. The project activity will generate power using zero emissions Solar PV based power generation which helps to reduce GHG emissions and specific pollutants like SO_x, NO_x, and SPM associated with the conventional thermal power generation facilities.

Technological well-being: The successful operation of project activity would lead to promotion of Solar based power generation and would encourage other entrepreneurs to participate in similar projects.

7. RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE (REC) SUMMARY

Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) summary

N/A

APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

N/A

APPENDIX B: ELECTRICITY SUMMARY

There are two international best-practice methods for calculating electricity emissions – the location-based method and the market-based method. Reporting electricity emissions under both methods is called dual reporting.

Dual reporting of electricity emissions is useful, as it provides different perspectives of the emissions associated with a business's electricity usage.

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.

For this certification, there were no electricity emissions.

Market-based approach summary			
Market-based approach	Activity Data (kWh)	Emissions (kg CO ₂ -e)	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)	0	0	0%
GreenPower	0	0	0%
Climate Active precinct/building (voluntary renewables)	0	0	0%
Precinct/Building (LRET)	0	0	0%
Precinct/Building jurisdictional renewables (LGCS surrendered)	0	0	0%
Electricity products (voluntary renewables)	0	0	0%
Electricity products (LRET)	0	0	0%
Electricity products jurisdictional renewables (LGCs surrendered)	0	0	0%
Jurisdictional renewables (LGCs surrendered)	0	0	0%
Jurisdictional renewables (LRET) (applied to ACT grid electricity)	0	0	0%
Large Scale Renewable Energy Target (applied to grid electricity only)	0	0	0%
Residual Electricity	0	0	0%
Total renewable electricity (grid + non grid)	0	0	0%
Total grid electricity	0	0	0%
Total electricity (grid + non grid)	0	0	0%
Percentage of residual electricity consumption under operational control	0%		
Residual electricity consumption under operational control	0	0	
Scope 2	0	0	
Scope 3 (includes T&D emissions from consumption under operational control)	0	0	
Residual electricity consumption not under operational control	0	0	
Scope 3	0	0	

Total renewables (grid and non-grid)	0.00%
Mandatory	0.00%
Voluntary	0.00%
Behind the meter	0.00%
Residual scope 2 emissions (t CO₂-e)	0.00
Residual scope 3 emissions (t CO₂-e)	0.00
Scope 2 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO₂-e)	0.00
Scope 3 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO₂-e)	0.00
Total emissions liability (t CO₂-e)	0.00
<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) total	Under operational control			Not under operational control	
Percentage of grid electricity consumption under operational control	0%	(kWh)	Scope 2 Emissions (kgCO ₂ -e)	Scope 3 Emissions (kgCO ₂ -e)	(kWh)	Scope 3 Emissions (kgCO ₂ -e)
ACT	0	0	0	0	0	0
NSW	0	0	0	0	0	0
QLD	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3)	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACT	0	0	0	0		
NSW	0	0	0	0		
QLD	0	0	0	0		
Non-grid electricity (behind the meter)	0	0	0	0		
Total electricity (grid + non grid)	0					

Residual scope 2 emissions (t CO₂-e)	0.00
Residual scope 3 emissions (t CO₂-e)	0.00
Scope 2 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO₂-e)	0.00
Scope 3 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO₂-e)	0.00
Total emissions liability	0.00

Operations in Climate Active buildings and precincts

Operations in Climate Active buildings and precincts	Electricity consumed in Climate Active certified building/precinct (kWh)	Emissions (kg CO ₂ -e)
N/A	-	-
Climate Active carbon neutral electricity is not renewable electricity. These electricity emissions have been offset by another Climate Active member through their building or precinct certification. This electricity consumption is also included in the market based and location-based summary tables. Any electricity that has been sourced as renewable electricity by the building/precinct under the market-based method is outlined as such in the market-based summary table.		

Climate Active carbon neutral electricity products

Climate Active carbon neutral electricity product used	Electricity claimed from Climate Active electricity products (kWh)	Emissions (kg CO ₂ -e)
N/A	-	-
Climate Active carbon neutral electricity is not renewable electricity. These electricity emissions have been offset by another Climate Active member through their electricity product certification. This electricity consumption is also included in the market based and location-based summary tables. Any electricity that has been sourced as renewable electricity by the electricity product under the market-based method is outlined as such in the market-based summary table.		

APPENDIX C: INSIDE EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

The following emissions sources have been assessed as relevant, are captured within the emissions boundary, but are not measured (quantified) in the carbon inventory. 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	Justification reason
N/A	

Data management plan for non-quantified sources

There are no non-quantified sources in the emission boundary that require a data management plan.

APPENDIX D: OUTSIDE EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

Excluded emission sources

The below emission sources have been assessed as not relevant to this organisation'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 emissions sources summary

Emission sources tested for relevance				Stakeholders	Outsourcing	Justification
	Size	Influence	Risk			
N/A						



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