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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></p> <p>Jane Wetherall Director 26 May 2025</p>



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1.CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

TOTAL EMISSIONS OFFSET	57 tCO ₂ -e
CARBON OFFSETS USED	100% VCUs
RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY	100%
CARBON ACCOUNT	Prepared by: With Architecture Studio
TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT	No technical assessment required (Small Org Certification).

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2. CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Description of organisation certification

This Carbon Neutral Certification covers all business operations of With Architecture Studio, ABN 59 169 698 373.

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

This Public Disclosure Statement includes information for FY2023-24 reporting period.

Organisation description

With Architecture Studio (With Studio), ABN 59 169 698 373, is a design-led practice committed to delivering distinctive and functional spaces that yield engaging experiences and create lasting value for client and community. We take pride in responsible design that shows leadership and helps to create places that inspire and enable people. Our best work is achieved through collaborative teamwork.

Established in Perth in 1985, we have over 35 years of extensively published and awarded commissions spanning the disciplines of architecture, master planning, interior architecture, urban design, graphic design, and public art. Our expertise spans institutional and civic architecture, commercial developments, technical and education buildings, learning environments and campus planning, hospitality and tourism, multi-residential architecture, arts buildings, heritage adaptation, urban design, master planning, and development guidelines.

With Studio is a mid-sized design studio of 25+ professionals based in Perth, Western Australia. With open discourse and design prototyping that draws on evidence and experience, our team is constantly improving while remaining committed to the practice of architecture as a people focused, place lead collaborative enterprise. This approach underpins our reputation as a creative architecture studio with an impressive portfolio of built projects. The studio's commitment to design excellence is acknowledged through industry awards and publications that have earned us national and international recognition.

Our studio is dedicated to sustainable development within our own business, and for our clients and partners. We are proud to have achieved the nation's first green star rated multi-residential design awarded by the Green Building Council of Australia and to have been part of the team to deliver the Greater Curtin Masterplan, the first project to receive a five-star Green Star Communities rating. With Studio are signatories to Australian Architects Declare; we deliver meaningful sustainability targets for the architectural commissions in which we are involved.

Operational control is used to establish the organisation boundary approach. With Architecture Studio's services are not included in this certification.

3.EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

This is a small organisation certification, which uses the standard Climate Active small organisation 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
Carbon neutral products and services
Cleaning and chemicals
Electricity
Food
ICT services and equipment
Professional services
Office equipment and supplies
Postage, courier and freight
Refrigerants
Stationary energy and fuels
Transport (air)
Transport (land and sea)
Waste
Water
Working from home

Non-quantified

N/A

Outside emission boundary

Excluded

N/A

4.EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

Emissions reduction strategy

With Studio commits to reduce total emissions of its business operations by 55% by 2030, from a 2016 baseline. As of the end of this measurement period, reductions have totalled 26%. However, this has been negatively impacted by improvements in our measurement methodologies.

Scope 1 emissions will be reduced by:

- Continued monitoring of company-owned vehicle travel and reducing this where possible over the next 2 years. As new technology is available, less carbon intensive transport options will be purchased and utilised.
- This item will be considered in association with employee commutes, use of personal vehicles and rideshare for work purposes to find the lowest emission mix.
- Preferencing low energy intensity refrigeration units (air-conditioning and fridges) if these need replacing over the remaining 2.5 years of the current lease.

Scope 2 emissions are already nil due to the purchase of GreenPower electricity. With Studio will remain diligent with reducing energy consumption by turning off computers, office equipment and appliances outside of business hours and when not specifically required, with quarterly review and team education. There is no further impact that can be made with our current leased facilities.

Scope 3 emissions will be reduced by:

- On an annual basis, improve rigor in our data collection methods through use of a Scope 3 reporting tool to improve data availability on consumption.
 - This has been recently improved via the use of new automated technology to assist insights into our operational activities.
- Reducing consumption by avoiding the purchase of unnecessary products and services. Quarterly reviews of purchases/consumption will be undertaken to assess progress on this reduction target, with an aim to achieve noticeable reductions over the next 5 years.
- Reviewing procurement controls annually to preference Climate Active carbon neutral products and services (where available), such as:
 - Food and beverage
 - Professional services
 - Office supplies
- Continuing reducing the frequency of waste collection, recorded weekly and assessed on a quarterly basis.
 - This includes favouring a supply chain that favours lower emission disposal methods.
- Encouraging employees to take public transport, cycle, scooter or walk to work with the aim to reduce employee commute footprint over the next 2 years
- Promote lower carbon food and beverage choices for inhouse events, with the aim to reduce this category of emissions per employee over the next 2 years.
 - This has been standardised across our operational purchase policies to procure carbon neutral products where available.

- Increases in recent period emissions have occurred due to our ability to better quantify procurement data and classify it according to our emissions boundary. This should continue to improve in accuracy in coming periods. Additional increases have also occurred due to an increase in staff and business activity.

Emissions reduction actions

Since the previous reporting period, With Architecture Studio has implemented the following emission reduction actions to reduce their footprint:

- Implemented a new emissions management software platform (Conifr Sustainability) to more clearly articulate emissions from activities and purchases. This has provided a more granular view of our emissions activities.
- Completed a third year with GreenPower electricity and achieved parity in YoY use.
- Continued using private waste collection services that allowed us to increase recycling streams and separate paper/cardboard and FOGO (organics) from the general recycling and landfill. Tracking these collections has allowed us to understand our waste streams more accurately, leading to reduction of our landfill collections and increase our FOGO (organics) collections.
 - We have also commenced using Recycle Smart, for collection of “tricky items” that fall outside of traditional recycling streams.
- Incorporated continuous staff training sessions on techniques to reduce carbon impact.
- Implemented policies to purchase only Carbon Neutral certified products where available.
- Flexible work policy for staff to WFH to reduce commute emissions.
- Opting for video conferencing with clients & consultants where possible to reduce travel.

5.EMISSIONS SUMMARY

Emissions over time

Emissions since base year			
		Total tCO ₂ -e (without uplift)	Total tCO ₂ -e (with uplift)
Base/Year 1:	FY2015–16	76	N/A
Year 2:	FY2016–17	73	N/A
Year 3:	FY2017–18	76	N/A
Year 4:	FY2018–19	40	N/A
Year 5:	FY2019–20	32	N/A
Year 6:	FY2020–21	47	N/A
Year 7:	FY2021–22	43	N/A
Year 8:	FY2022–23	47	50
Year 9:	FY2023–24	54	57

Significant changes in emissions

In FY24, Emissions increased by ~7 tonnes YoY due to two main factors:

- 1) Our improved reporting technology was able to articulate & classify more transactional data than in previous periods especially in our credit card transactions. With previous manual methods this approach was time and cost prohibitive and not captured. Additionally, IT costs not previously captured are now included.
- 2) Prior data for certain categories was not fully identified with our prior reporting methods.

Significant changes in emissions			
Emission source	Previous year emissions (t CO ₂ -e)	Current year emissions (t CO ₂ -e)	Reason for change
Computer and technical services	6.58	11.75	New technology improved classification of expenses and increased staff numbers.
Accounting services	9.51	8.40	Change in Emissions Factors

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

Certified brand name	Product/Service/Building/Precinct used
Largo Brewing Beer	Product – Alcohol-based Drinks

Emissions summary

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

Emission category	Sum of Scope 1 emissions (tCO ₂ -e)	Sum of Scope 2 emissions (tCO ₂ -e)	Sum of Scope 3 emissions (tCO ₂ -e)	Sum of Total emissions (tCO ₂ -e)
Accommodation and facilities	0.00	0.00	0.19	0.19
Cleaning and chemicals	0.00	0.00	0.97	0.97
Climate Active carbon neutral products and services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Electricity	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Food	0.00	0.00	3.92	3.92
ICT services and equipment	0.00	0.00	13.09	13.09
Office equipment and supplies	0.00	0.00	6.82	6.82
Postage, courier and freight	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.10
Professional services	0.00	0.00	12.90	12.90
Refrigerants	0.52	0.00	0.00	0.52
Stationary energy (gaseous fuels)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transport (air)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transport (land and sea)	0.00	0.00	12.75	12.75
Waste	0.00	0.00	1.90	1.90
Water	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.11
Working from home	0.00	0.00	0.40	0.40
Grand Total	0.52	0.00	53.17	53.68

Uplift factors

An uplift factor is an upwards adjustment to the total carbon inventory to account for relevant emissions that cannot 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
Mandatory 5% uplift for small organisations	2.68
Total of all uplift factors (tCO ₂ -e)	2.68
Total emissions footprint to offset (tCO₂-e) <i>(total emissions from summary table + total of all uplift factors)</i>	57

6. CARBON OFFSETS

Eligible offsets retirement summary

Offsets retired for Climate Active certification

Type of offset unit	Quantity used for this reporting period	Percentage of total units used
Verified Carbon Units (VCUs)	57	100%

Project name	Type of offset unit	Registry	Date retired	Serial number	Vintage	Total quantity retired	Quantity used in previous reporting periods	Quantity banked for future reporting periods	Quantity used for this reporting period	Percentage of total used this reporting period
April Salumei Rainforest Community Conservation Project	VCU	Verra	15/11/2024	<u>17331-825519591-825519649-VCS-VCU-352-VER-PG-14-1122-01012018-31122018-0</u>	2018	59	0	2	57	100%

Co-benefits

The April Salumei REDD+ project in the East Sepik Province of PNG has been developed as a nature-based solution, to conserve and sustainably manage this globally significant rainforest, recognised as an exceptional biodiversity hotspot by the Climate Community and Biodiversity Standard, also known as CCB Standard (SCS, 2011). TEM partners with 164 local land groups (clans), comprising about 15,000 people, who own the rainforest and who have surrendered their rights to commercial logging. These groups depend entirely on the forest for their livelihoods and now work closely with TEM to manage the area sustainably. The purpose of REDD+ projects is to Reduce Emissions from Deforestation and forest Degradation as deforestation. As an Indigenous-led solution, TEM has built lasting relationships with traditional landowners who have a shared interest in conserving the forests. In addition to the carbon emission reduction element of the project, it also has a range of other co-benefits. The April Salumei Working Group, formed to assist with managing the project, provides employment opportunities to the local community. By protecting the forest and biodiversity of the area, this project simultaneously provides a key source of income for traditional owners.

UN SDG Contributions include:

- 4: Quality Education
- 7: Affordable and Clean Energy
- 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth
- 13: Climate Action
- 15: Life on Land
- 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

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, electricity emissions have been set by using the **market-based approach**.

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	31,621	0	100%
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)	5,919	0	19%
Residual Electricity	-5,919	-5,387	0%
Total renewable electricity (grid + non grid)	37,540	0	119%
Total grid electricity	31,621	0	119%
Total electricity (grid + non grid)	31,621	0	119%
Percentage of residual electricity consumption under operational control	100%		
Residual electricity consumption under operational control	-5,919	-5,387	
Scope 2	-5,269	-4,795	
Scope 3 (includes T&D emissions from consumption under operational control)	-650	-592	
Residual electricity consumption not under operational control	0	0	
Scope 3	0	0	

Total renewables (grid and non-grid)	118.72%
Mandatory	18.72%
Voluntary	100.00%
Behind the meter	0.00%
Residual scope 2 emissions (t CO₂-e)	-4.79
Residual scope 3 emissions (t CO₂-e)	-0.59
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

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

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	100%	(kWh)	Scope 2 Emissions (kgCO ₂ -e)	Scope 3 Emissions (kgCO ₂ -e)	(kWh)	Scope 3 Emissions (kgCO ₂ -e)
WA	31,621	31,621	16,759	1,265	0	0
Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3)	31,621	0	0	0	0	0
WA	0	0	0	0		
Non-grid electricity (behind the meter)	0	0	0	0		
Total electricity (grid + non grid)	31,621					

Residual scope 2 emissions (t CO₂-e)	16.76
Residual scope 3 emissions (t CO₂-e)	1.26
Scope 2 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO₂-e)	16.76
Scope 3 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO₂-e)	1.26
Total emissions liability	18.02

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	0	0
<i>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.</i>		

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	0	0
<i>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.</i>		

APPENDIX C: INSIDE EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

Non-quantified emission sources

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.

No emission sources in With Architecture Studio's organisation boundary were non-quantified in FY2023-24.

Relevant non-quantified emission sources		Justification reason
N/A		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.

No emission sources in With Architecture Studio's organisation boundary were excluded in FY2022 - 23.

Excluded emissions sources summary

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



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