



PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT


**THE TRUSTEE FOR THE ADELAIDE HILLS
O&G SERVICE TRUST
(TRADING AS ADELAIDE HILLS O&G)**

**ORGANISATION CERTIFICATION
CY2024**

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Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement



NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY	The Trustee for the Adelaide Hills O&G Service Trust (trading as Adelaide Hills O&G)
REPORTING PERIOD	1 January 2024 – 31 December 2024
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>Melanie Johnson Director 04/12/25</p>



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1.CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

TOTAL EMISSIONS OFFSET	38 tCO ₂ -e
CARBON OFFSETS USED	92% VERs, 8% VCUs
RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY	Total renewables 73%
CARBON ACCOUNT	Prepared by: Sustainable Business Consultants

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2.CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Description of organisation certification

This organisation certification is for the business operations of The Trustee for Adelaide Hills O&G Service Trust, ABN 11 857 342 938.

This Public Disclosure Statement includes information for calendar year 2024 reporting period.

Organisation description

The Trustee for Adelaide Hills O&G Service Trust (trading as Adelaide Hills O&G) is a medical practice based in Mount Barker and Stirling in South Australia (ABN 11 857 342 938). Our consultants also operate from Barossa Hills Fleurieu Health Service, Burnside and Stirling Hospital.

Adelaide Hills O&G is a woman centred, multidisciplinary practice that provides expert and compassionate care to achieve optimal clinical outcomes for our patients. It operates with sustainability principles at its core, in consulting rooms that are serviced by solar panels, Tesla battery, electric car charging facilities, recycling and composting, plus more.

This certification follows the operational control approach to boundary setting.

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
- Machinery and vehicles
- Professional services
- Office equipment and supplies
- Postage, courier and freight
- Refrigerants
- Stationary energy and fuels
- Transport (air)
- Transport (land and sea)
- Waste
- Water

Non-quantified

Outside emission boundary

Excluded

4.EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

Emissions reduction strategy

This plan sets out how we intend to action carbon emissions reduction to 2030. Our businesses have grown substantially since we achieved this organisation certification in 2020 and so we have reviewed and revised our target to an intensity-based target.

As Adelaide Hills O&G has already achieved zero emission for its electricity, we commit to reducing our remaining emissions relative to our FTE by 75% by 2030, from the 2021 base year.

We have already achieved a 60% reduction in our emissions per FTE since the base year 2021. The 2021 base year emissions were 6.85 tCO₂-e/FTE and current year emissions are 4.27 tCO₂-e/FTE.

The initiatives set out below are based on the emissions causing activities in our carbon inventory. In setting these initiatives we have considered our ability to control or influence emissions reduction, to switch to alternative sources and to purchase lower carbon supplies and services. We will continue to review, report and build on this plan each year.

Initiative	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Target
Scope 2 - Zero electricity emissions achieved through on-site solar and GreenPower. Continue to reduce electricity consumption						
Electricity reduction in the medical practice through behaviour change initiatives (HVAC thermostat, turning off lights, etc)	x	x	x	x	x	100% staff compliance with energy reduction actions
Scope 3						
Include ESG policy for new professional service providers	x					Continue to require any new professional service providers to agree to ESG policy
We will undertake a waste audit and monitor amounts of waste to landfill, recycling, medical waste and organics to achieve a more detailed and accurate reduction amount for future years.	x					To be determined
Encourage suppliers to become carbon neutral service/product certified and move to certified providers where feasible	x	x	x	x	x	CY24 assess who to target and plan discussions with suppliers
Provide information to all staff and providers about choosing more fuel-efficient vehicles and provide tips on how to reduce emissions on vehicles already owned.	x	x	x	x	x	To be determined based on 2025 result

Emissions reduction actions

In 2024, we continued to work on behaviour change to reduce our electricity consumption and single use plastics (takeaway cups). We also purchased two electric vehicles in 2024. We divert all possible waste except medical waste for which there is currently no recycling solution.

We have included an ESG and sustainability brief on our website including information on our reusable consumables like linen and medical equipment. We have included this ESG in all provider contracts detailing our commitment to recycling and reducing waste and ask that they agree to make the same commitment when using our rooms.

5.EMISSIONS SUMMARY

Emissions over time

Emissions since base year		
	Total tCO ₂ -e (without uplift)	Total tCO ₂ -e (with uplift)
Base year: 2021	35.21	36.97
Year 1: 2022	22.87	24.01
Year 2: 2023	52.00	54.60
Year 3: 2024	36.06	37.87

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
Petrol: Medium Car	1.03	7.45	Increase in staff (FTE). Change in staff vehicles used for commuting
Petrol: Small Car	2.73	10.84	Increase in staff (FTE). Change in staff vehicles used for commuting
General waste (municipal waste)	3.76	6.00	Purchase of an additional clinic.

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

Certified brand name	Product used
AGL (Business Saver)	Electricity

Emissions summary

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

	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 (t CO ₂ -e)
Accommodation and facilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cleaning and chemicals	0.00	0.00	2.32	2.32
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	0.77	0.77
ICT services and equipment	0.00	0.00	1.42	1.42
Machinery and vehicles	0.00	0.00	0.23	0.23
Office equipment and supplies	0.00	0.00	0.89	0.89
Postage, courier and freight	0.00	0.00	0.21	0.21
Products	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Professional services	0.00	0.00	2.87	2.87
Refrigerants	0.31	0.00	0.00	0.31
Stationary energy (gaseous fuels)	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.03
Transport (air)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transport (land and sea)	0.00	0.00	18.62	18.62
Waste	0.00	0.00	7.50	7.50
Water	0.00	0.00	0.89	0.89
Working from home	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grand Total	0.33	0.00	35.73	36.06

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	1.80
Total of all uplift factors (tCO ₂ -e)	1.80
Total emissions footprint to offset (tCO₂-e) <i>(total emissions from summary table + total of all uplift factors)</i>	38

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)	3	7.89%
Verified Emissions Reductions (VERs)	35	92.11%

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 Registry	30/4/2024	15639-708486191-708486248-VCS-VCU-352-VER-PG-14-1122-01012018-31122018-0	2018	58	55	0	3	7.89%
Energy efficient cookstoves program - CPA 3	VER	Gold Standard Impact Registry	9/4/2025	GS1-1-ET-GS11149-16-2021-24614-34786-34822	2021	37	0	2	35	92.11%
Offset Totals:						95	55	2	38	100.00%

Stapled units summary

The below units have been 'stapled' to eligible Climate Active carbon offset units. Stapled units may represent a beneficial outcome, such as biodiversity protection or improved water quality. These purchases are additional to Climate Active program requirements.

Stapled units and their corresponding scheme or project have not been assessed by Climate Active against the offset integrity principles in the Climate Active Carbon Neutral Standards and are not included in the list of eligible Climate Active carbon offset units (Appendix A of the Standards). Businesses have undertaken their own due diligence when purchasing these stapled units.

Project name	Unit type e.g. biodiversity	Project location	Eligible offset project stapled to	Stapled quantity	Link to project or evidence
Vegetationlink units supplied by Wilderlands	BDU	Coorong, SA	Energy Efficient Cookstoves Program	37	See Appendix A

Co-benefits

The **April Salumei Community Conservation Project**, located in one of the most ecologically distinct areas on the planet in Papua New Guinea, protects virgin rainforest, against documented planned deforestation thus saving millions of tonnes of greenhouse gases from being released into the atmosphere. It contributes to eight of the Sustainable Development Goals and has community and biodiversity co-benefits as follows.

Community Impact

164 distinct clan groups and 9000 indigenous people live in the project area, covered by the project's Sustainable Development Plan (SDP). The SDP is driven by a team of local and international specialists, who work with local communities and stakeholders to identify a long-term suite of local investments that attend to local needs and aspirations, encompassing health, education, training, economic development (including sustainable agriculture) and local employment to support conservation and biodiversity outcomes. Projects to date include:

Light up April Salumei

- 1000 Sustainable, solar powered lights provided to 30 schools, 26 health centres, aid posts, families and cultural centres
- Created 8 meaningful jobs
- Provided 6 skill development traineeships

Eagle Wood Project

- Employed experts in nursery management that trained representatives from each Landowner Company as forest community stewards
- Created 10 meaningful jobs
- Facilitated the planting of 10,000 trees

Biodiversity impact

The project activities deliver vital biodiversity conservation outcomes. PNG contains approximately 7% of global biodiversity across just 1% of the globe's landmass. April Salumei is one of the top 10 most ecologically distinct areas on the planet home to a staggering level of biodiversity, including threatened species such as:

- Palm Cockatoo
- Bird of Paradise
- Southern Crowned Pigeon

These species are protected from the most prominent key threatening process in the region – deforestation.

The Climate, Community and Biodiversity Alliance (CCBA) has previously awarded the project a gold medal for, 'exceptional biodiversity benefit'.

Energy Efficient Cookstoves, Ethiopia

Low cost, highly efficient cookstoves are implemented by local communities and government agencies in Ethiopia, as an alternative to heavy polluting open fires. These cookstoves use considerably less wood and improve health outcomes of the people that use them. The reduction in wood used is also reducing the amount of forest loss.

The project meets three Sustainable Development Goals – affordable and clean energy, decent work and economic growth and climate action.

Vegetationlink Biodiversity Units in South Australia by Wilderlands

Over 162,000 m2 has been protected in the Coorong Lakes region of SA – an internationally significant wetland system. 78 native bird species and 238 native plant species have been protected through ensuring the long-term conservation of critical habitats, biodiversity monitoring and research and collaboration with local communities and stakeholders to enhance ecological outcomes. The project works with The Wilderness School, Aboriginal Access Centre and TAFE SA to provide students with education and experience in conservation and ecosystem management.

7. RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE (REC) SUMMARY

Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) summary

N/A

APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Vegetationlink, Wilderlands Biodiversity Units certificate.

vegetationlink
Verified Biodiversity Units

This certificate verifies that

**The Trustee for the Adelaide Hills O&G
Service Trust**

has protected

37m²

of critical habitat for biodiversity by purchasing and retiring
37 Biological Diversity Units

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Biodiversity Units supplied by

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Our vision is a world where people value earth's natural ecosystems and
work together to nurture biodiversity so that future generations can continue
to be enriched, enlightened and inspired by Nature.

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VegetationLink Order ID: 89283c97-0803

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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	23,799	0	60%
Total non-grid electricity	23,799	0	60%
LGC purchased and retired (kWh) (including PPAs)	0	0	0%
GreenPower	4,369	0	11%
Climate Active certified - Precinct/Building (voluntary renewables)	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - Precinct/Building (LRET)	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - Precinct/Building jurisdictional renewables (LGCs surrendered)	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - Electricity products (voluntary renewables)	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - Electricity products (LRET)	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - 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)	899	0	2%
Residual electricity	10,888	9,908	0%
Total renewable electricity (grid + non grid)	29,068	0	73%
Total grid electricity	16,156	9,908	13%
Total electricity (grid + non grid)	39,955	9,908	73%
Percentage of residual electricity consumption under operational control	100%		
Residual electricity consumption under operational control	10,888	9,908	
Scope 2	9,691	8,819	
Scope 3 (includes T&D emissions from consumption under operational control)	1,196	1,089	
Residual electricity consumption not under operational control	0	0	
Scope 3	0	0	

Total renewables (grid and non-grid)	72.75%
Mandatory	2.25%
Voluntary	10.94%
Behind the meter	59.56%
Residual scope 2 emissions (t CO₂-e)	8.82
Residual scope 3 emissions (t CO₂-e)	1.09
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)
ACT	0	0	0	0	0	0
NSW	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	16,156	16,156	4,039	1,292	0	0
VIC	0	0	0	0	0	0
QLD	0	0	0	0	0	0
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
WA	0	0	0	0	0	0
TAS	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3)	16,156	16,156	4,039	1,292	0	0
ACT	0	0	0	0		
NSW	0	0	0	0		
SA	23,799	23,799	0	0		
VIC	0	0	0	0		
QLD	0	0	0	0		
NT	0	0	0	0		
WA	0	0	0	0		
TAS	0	0	0	0		
Non-grid electricity (behind the meter)	23,799	23,799	0	0		
Total electricity (grid + non grid)	39,955					

Residual scope 2 emissions (t CO ₂ -e)	4.04
Residual scope 3 emissions (t CO ₂ -e)	1.29
Scope 2 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO ₂ -e)	1.22
Scope 3 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO ₂ -e)	0.39
Total emissions liability (t CO₂-e)	1.61

If your organisation does not use any Climate Active buildings or precincts, please add N/A to the first row, and delete the remaining empty rows.

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
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)
AGL Business Saver	11291.90	0
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

Non-quantified emission sources

N/A

APPENDIX D: OUTSIDE EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

Excluded emission sources

N/A



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