PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

BIG SPRINGS WATER PTY LTD

ORGANISATION CERTIFICATION
FY2024–25

Australian Government

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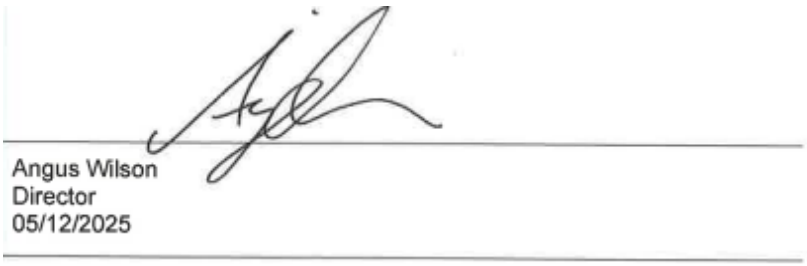
NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY	Big Springs Water Pty Ltd
REPORTING PERIOD	Financial year 1 July 2024 – 30 June 2025 Arrears report
DECLARATION	*To the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this public disclosure statement is true and correct and meets the requirements of the Climate Active Carbon Neutral Standard.*  Angus Wilson Director 05/12/2025

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1.CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

TOTAL EMISSIONS OFFSET	980 tCO_2-e
CARBON OFFSETS USED	59.18% VCU. 40.82% VER
RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY	61.51%
CARBON ACCOUNT	Prepared by: Green Moves (Aust) Pty Ltd
TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT	Not Applicable

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2. CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Description of organisation certification

This carbon inventory has been developed in accordance with the Climate Active Carbon Neutral Standard for Organisations. The boundary has been defined based on the operational control approach. The products sold by Big Springs Water are not included within the boundary of this organization certification.

This certification covers the Australian business operations of "Big Springs Water Pty Ltd' ABN 52 677 004 938, formerly known as "The Trustee for Angus Wilson Family Trust & the Trustee for Pat Wilson Family Trust" trading as Big Springs Riverina (ABN 16 449 525 084).

This Public Disclosure Statement includes information for FY 2024-2025 reporting period.

Organisation description

The official name of the organisation is 'Big Springs Water Pty Ltd', ABN 52 677 004 938. From 1 July 2024 the organisation changed structure from a partnership to a company structure and changed its name. The business was formerly known as "The Trustee for Angus Wilson Family Trust & the Trustee for Pat Wilson Family Trust" trading as Big Springs Riverina (ABN 16 449 525 084).

Big Springs Water bottles and delivers natural spring water to clients throughout NSW, ACT and Victoria.

Our local drivers provide a free delivery service through our network of delivery areas. Shipping is also available Australia-wide for our purchase-outright products. Famous for our fresh, natural spring water, we provide bottled water, filter systems and bubblers for your hydration needs. Sourced from a single spring in regional NSW, Big Springs Water brings the highest quality, refreshing spring water to you.

The following offices and core assets are owned or operated by Big Springs and are included in this carbon inventory:

- 1-3 Hovell Street Wagga Wagga NSW – main office
- 7 Hovell Street Wagga Wagga NSW – Storage site only
- 10 Royal St Parkes NSW – Storage warehouse
- Unit 1/10 Spongolite St Beard Canberra ACT – Storage warehouse
- 23 Battista St Griffith (from September 2024) - Storage warehouse
- 21 Endurance Ave Queanbeyan ACT – Storage warehouse – no longer in use
- 160-162 Wakaden St Griffith NSW – Storage warehouse - no longer in use

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

Products

Refrigerants

Stationary energy and fuels

Transport (air)

Transport (land and sea)

Waste

Water

Work from home

Non-quantified

None

Outside emission boundary

Excluded

None

4.EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

Emissions reduction strategy

Big Springs Water continues its commitment to Carbon Neutrality and reducing emissions across the value chain (scope 1, 2 and 3). Big Springs Water has not been able to review emission reduction targets during the FY25 period due to significant business pressures. This will be done by 30 June 2026.

FY 2021 – 125.5 (emissions per million $ turnover)

FY 2022 – 97.1 (29.3% decrease from FY 2021) *

FY 2023 – 116.3 (7.9% decrease from FY 2021) *

FY 2024 – 144.8 (9.9% increase from FY 2021)

FY 2025 – 97.5 (28.7% decrease from FY 2021)

*These values have been revised for past years due to the fuel data correction and review in 2024

Emission Source	Emission reduction measure	Scope	Status	Due Date
Energy	Add onsite energy battery storage of 48.4 kW at 1 Hovell St site	2 & 3	In progress	November 2025
Energy	Upgrade old onsite solar PV to 34 kW system at 1 Hovell St site	2 & 3	In progress	November 2025
Energy	Investigate transitioning off gas (hot water and heating) to efficient heat pump technology	2 & 3	In progress	December 2026
Energy	Investigate procurement of 100% renewable energy for all sites	2 & 3	Planned	2028
Fuel	Investigate and plan transition to hybrid or electric vehicles	1 & 3	Planned	2025-2030
Energy	Investigate feasible options to remove gas from leased sites	1 & 3	Planned	2028
Energy	Investigate and plan transition of existing LPG forklift to electric	1 & 3	Planned	2030

Emissions reduction actions completed

The following actions have been completed.

Emission Source	Emission reduction measure	Scope	Status	Year Done
Energy	Upgrade and increase onsite solar PV on 3 Hovell St with 19 kW of additional solar	2 & 3	Complete	FY 2025
All	Establish sustainability and purchasing policies to formally preference carbon neutral products, or products with high environmental credentials	All	Completed	30 June 2025
Waste	Investigate and improve plastic recycling to reduce waste to landfill (est 20% reduction)	3	Complete	FY 2025

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	2020-2021	570.6	599.1
Year 2:*	2021-2022	588.4	617.8
Year 3:*	2022-2023	746.9	784.2
Year 4:	2023-2024	924.4	970.6
Year 5:	2024-2025	932.8	979.5

*Adjusted prior years due to fuel data correction.

Significant changes in emissions

There are no significant changes in emissions this period.

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

Certified brand name	Product/Service/Building/Precinct used
Qantas	Opt-in Flight Offsets product

Emissions summary

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

	Sum of Scope 1 emissions (tCO2-e)	Sum of Scope 2 emissions (tCO2-e)	Sum of Scope 3 emissions (tCO2-e)	Sum of Total emissions (t CO2-e)
Accommodation and facilities	0.00	0.00	2.18	2.18
Cleaning and chemicals	0.00	0.00	1.11	1.11
Climate Active carbon neutral products and services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Electricity	0.00	64.05	8.70	72.74
Food	0.00	0.00	3.41	3.41
ICT services and equipment	0.00	0.00	9.87	9.87
Machinery and vehicles	0.00	0.00	28.83	28.83
Office equipment and supplies	0.00	0.00	1.20	1.20
Postage, courier and freight	0.00	0.00	22.12	22.12
Products	0.00	0.00	0.37	0.37
Professional services	0.00	0.00	56.00	56.00
Refrigerants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Stationary energy (gaseous fuels)	10.66	0.00	2.90	13.56
Stationary energy (solid fuels)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Stationary energy (solid fuels)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transport (air)	0.00	0.00	3.58	3.58
Transport (land and sea)	499.64	0.00	158.99	658.63
Waste	0.00	0.00	55.62	55.62
Water	0.00	0.00	3.63	3.63
Working from home	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grand Total	**510.30**	**64.05**	**358.49**	**932.83**

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	46.64
Total of all uplift factors (tCO_2-e)	46.64
Total emissions footprint to offset (tCO_2-e) *(total emissions from summary table + total of all uplift factors)*	**980.00**

6. CARBON OFFSETS

Eligible offsets retirement summary

Offsets retired for Climate Active certification

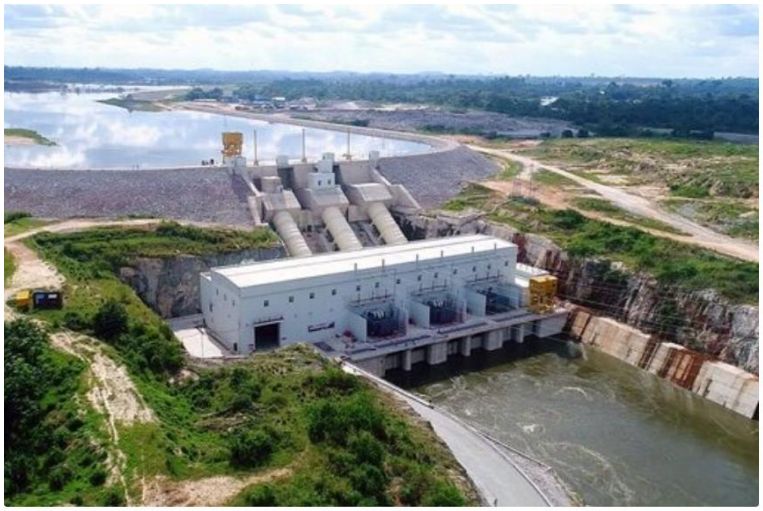
Type of offset unit	Quantity used for this reporting period	Percentage of total units used
Verified Emissions Reductions (VERs)	400	40.82
Verified Carbon Units (VCUs)	580	59.18

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
Soubre Hydropower Project	VCU	Verra Registry	4/12/2025	10175-191568054-191568558-VCS-VCU-291-VER-CI-1-1522-01012019-31122019-0	2019	505	1	0	504	51.43%
Safe Water in Uganda (GS12015)	VER	Gold Standard Impact Registry	4/12/2025	GS1-1-UG-GS12015-16-2022-27592-1841-2240	2022	400	0	0	400	40.82%
Soubre Hydropower Project	VCU	Verra Registry	19/12/2025	10175-191568559-191568634-VCS-VCU-291-VER-CI-1-1522-01012019-31122019-0	2019	76	0	0	76	7.76%
					Offset Totals:	**981**	**1**	**0**	**980**	**100%**

Co-benefits

VCS1522 Soubre Hydropower Project

Soubré HPP is a run-of-river hydropower plant with a capacity of 270 MW and a micro-hydro power plant of 5 MW with a total estimated average electricity generation to the grid of 1,170 GWh per year, fed by a 17.3 km² reservoir, in Côte d'Ivoire.



PROJECT

Location

Cote d'Ivoire

Project Method / Type

Hydro (20MW or greater)
Energy Industries (Renewable / Non-Renewable Sources)

Standard

Verra

United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's)

GS12015 - Safe Water Uganda

CERTIFIED SDG IMPACTS

PROJECT TYPE

Energy Efficiency - Domestic

STATUS

Gold Standard Certified Project

DESCRIPTION

Net Zero Danışmanlık Anonim Şirketi (Net Zero Türkiye) carries out the project "Safe Water in Uganda" in partnership with its local partner ISAR İç ve Dış Ticaret Anonim Şirketi (ISAR). The project covers 61 boreholes and the objective of the project is to reduce carbon emissions due to water treatment by drilling boreholes and to improve the living conditions of about 120,000 people living in Eastern Uganda, by providing clean drinking water within a reasonable proximity. The project is located in 11 districts in the Eastern region of Uganda. It will be developed under the Gold Standard as a retroactive project in line with Community Water Supply Technologies and it will seek to obtain carbon revenues to reinvest in our voluntary emission reduction projects in the region. Thus, we will be able to continue the maintenance and repair processes for the long term. We will also conduct hygiene campaigns and periodically test the quality of the water to ensure we continue to provide clean drinking water.

7. RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE (REC) SUMMARY

Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) summary

The following RECs have been surrendered to reduce electricity emissions under the market-based reporting method.

1. Large-scale Generation certificates (LGCs)*	N/A

* LGCs in this table only include those surrendered voluntarily (including through PPA arrangements), and does not include those surrendered in relation to the LRET, GreenPower, and jurisdictional renewables.

Project supported by LGC purchase	Project location	Eligible unit type	Registry	Surrender date	Accreditation code	Certificate serial number	Generation year	Fuel source	Quantity (MWh)
								Total LGCs surrendered this report and used in this report	**0**

APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Big Springs Water have planted over 20,000 native trees across two plantations on the property and 80% of our production requirements are acquired through solar.

In addition to these initiatives, the core function that makes us unique to large shirk-wrapped single-use water bottle manufactures, is that our water bottles are returnable and re-usable. Our business is based on a returnable model where we eliminate the need for single use plastic water bottles. We believe our model should be the direction taken in Australia. Our closed loop approach continues to grow and has led to our success as a small business in regional NSW.

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 renewable electricity generated	38,800	0	19%
Total non-grid renewable electricity	**38,800**	**0**	**19%**
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)	57,250	0	28%
Jurisdictional renewables (LRET) (applied to ACT grid electricity)	13,101	0	6%
Large Scale Renewable Energy Target (applied to grid electricity only)	17,219	0	8%
Residual Electricity	79,070	72,745	0%
Total renewable electricity (grid + non grid)	**126,370**	**0**	**62%**
Total grid electricity	**166,640**	**72,745**	**43%**
Total electricity (grid + non grid)	**205,440**	**72,745**	**62%**
Percentage of residual electricity consumption under operational control	100%	72,745	
Residual electricity consumption under operational control	79,070	64,047	
Scope 2	69,616	8,698	
Scope 3 (includes T&D emissions from consumption under operational control)	9,454	0	
Residual electricity consumption not under operational control	0	0	
Scope 3	0	0	

Total renewables (grid and non-grid)	**61.51%**
Mandatory	**14.76%**
Voluntary	**27.87%**
Behind the meter	**18.89%**
Residual scope 2 emissions (t CO_2-e)	**64.05**
Residual scope 3 emissions (t CO_2-e)	**8.70**
Scope 2 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO_2-e)	**64.05**
Scope 3 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO_2-e)	**8.70**
Total emissions liability (t CO_2-e)	**72.74**

Figures may not sum to total 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	72,003	72,003	47,522	2,880	0	0
NSW	94,637	94,637	62,460	3,785	0	0
Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3)	**166,640**	**166,640**	**109,982**	**6,666**	**0**	**0**
ACT	0	0	0	0		
NSW	38,800	38,800	0	0		
Non-grid electricity (behind the meter)	**38,800**	**38,800**	**0**	**0**		
Total electricity (grid + non grid)	**205,440**					

Residual scope 2 emissions (t CO_2-e)	**109.98**
Residual scope 3 emissions (t CO_2-e)	**6.67**
Scope 2 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO_2-e)	**109.98**
Scope 3 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO_2-e)	**6.67**
Total emissions liability	**116.65**

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)
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 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

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
None	

Data management plan for non-quantified sources

There are no non-quantified sources in the emission boundary that require 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.

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	Size	Influence	Risk	Stakeholders	Outsourcing	Justification
None						

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