

Carbon Reduction Plan

Supplier name: SecureCloud+

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Commitment to achieving Net Zero

SecureCloud+ is committed to achieving Net Zero emissions by 2050.

Baseline Emissions Footprint

Baseline emissions are a record of the greenhouse gases that have been produced in the past and were produced prior to the introduction of any strategies to reduce emissions. Baseline emissions are the reference point against which emissions reduction can be measured.

Baseline Year: FY 2020/21 (April 2020 to March 2021)	
Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.	
<i>This is the company's first baseline emission calculation which was completed during FY 2020/21 which includes Covid 19 pandemic government lockdowns. Some sampling methods have been used to adjust these figures to account for these lockdown periods. It includes the emissions for scope 1, scope 2 and a subset of scope 3 which includes categories 5,6,7 & 9 category 4 has no emissions as advised by the cabinet office as delivery/transportation costs are indistinguishable from the cost of purchase.</i>	
Baseline year emissions:	
EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO₂e)
Scope 1	0 (No company facilities or vehicles owned)
Scope 2	17.708
Scope 3 5,6,7,9) (Included Sources)	161.260
Total Emissions	178.968

Current Emissions Reporting

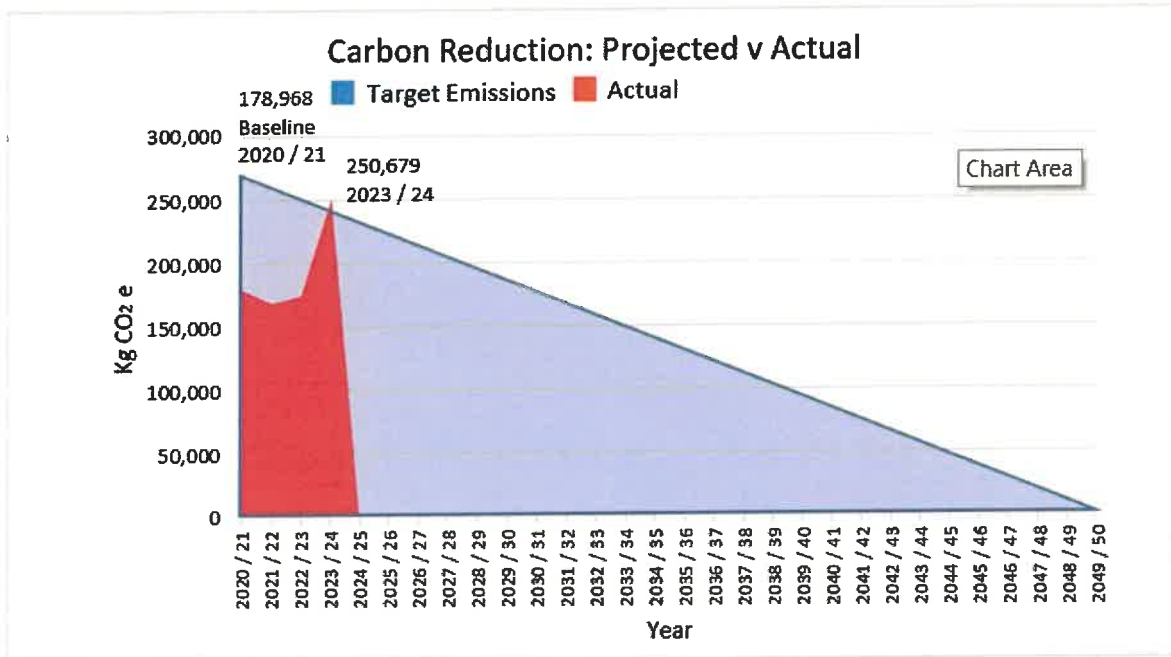
Reporting Year: FY 2023/24 (April 2023 to March 2024)	
EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO ₂ e)
Scope 1	0 (No company facilities or vehicles owned)
Scope 2	72.577
Scope 3 (Included Sources 5,6,7,9)	178.102 <i>scope 3 which includes categories 5,6,7 & 9 category 4 has no emissions as advised by the cabinet office as delivery/transportation costs are indistinguishable from the cost of purchase.</i>
Total Emissions	250.679

Emissions reduction targets

In order to continue our progress to achieving Net Zero, we have adopted the following carbon reduction projects (below).

We project that carbon emissions will increase over the next five years due to expansion and company growth but aim to start to decrease by 2031.

Progress against these targets can be seen in the graph below:



Baseline	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
178,968	168,297	173,989	250,679
		Increase from Base. -10,671	Increase from Base. -4,979
			Increase from Base. +71,711

Breakdown

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Electricity	17,708	22,889	20,769	72,577
Waste	412	327	872	265
Business Travel	32,314	57,995	60,792	63,206
Commuting	126,666	85,599	89,945	111,672
Downstream Distribution	1,863	1,485	1,608	2,955

The baseline year of 2020/21 and 2021/2022 were distorted by the covid epidemic and may not be a true reflection of an accurate baseline. Our company's significant growth represented by revenue and staff in the period and deployment of managed services projects – initial build accounts for the increase in the base.

Electricity for this years figures has increased due to hosting customer equipment on site (in the build of secure client services), Waste has reduced due to contractors and ourselves recycling more and business travel remained fairly stable. Commuting has increased largely also due to a large increase in growth (32 new employees since 22 / 23) and an increase in our sales function activity. Many of the MOD and Customer sites cannot be accessed by public transport due to the sensitive nature of our work.

Carbon Reduction Projects

Completed Carbon Reduction Initiatives

The following environmental management measures and projects have been completed or implemented since the 2021 baseline. The carbon emission figures have increased since 2021 baseline by 40% due to company growth and expansion and more accurate reporting. This equated to an increase of 71.711 tCO₂e.

SecureCloud+ Continues to be certified to ISO 14001, with Environmental audits, aspect monitoring, objectives and compliance evaluation all a part of our processes to improve our environmental performance. The following also remain in place: Offices in Reading and Stoke on Trent have been fitted with PIR controlled lighting system to help conserve electricity. Push action 'non concussive' timer taps for controlled water usage have also been fitted in the restrooms in Reading. The Reading headquarters is also situated extremely close to Reading railway station to encourage visitors and staff to commute by train rather than car, we also promote the cycle to work scheme.

In the future we hope to implement further measures such as:

- HQ office move to smaller offices with the adoption of flexible working arrangements
- Investigate moving to green energy suppliers
- *Encouraging customers and employees to use public transport*
- *Promoting the cycle to work scheme to employees*
- *Encouraging virtual meetings*
- *Investigate schemes to offset our carbon footprint*
- *Localising our workforce.*
- *Move our services to Eco friendly Datacentres*

Declaration and Sign Off

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been completed in accordance with PPN 06/21 and associated guidance and reporting standard for Carbon Reduction Plans.

Emissions have been reported and recorded in accordance with the published reporting standard for Carbon Reduction Plans and the GHG Reporting Protocol corporate standard⁷ and uses the appropriate Government emission conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting⁸.

Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions have been reported in accordance with SECR requirements, and the required subset of Scope 3 emissions have been reported in accordance with the published reporting standard for Carbon Reduction Plans and the Corporate Value Chain (Scope 3) Standard⁹.

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been reviewed and signed off by the board of directors (or equivalent management body).

Signed on behalf of the Supplier:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. Clarke', written over a horizontal dotted line.

Greg Clarke, D.C.E.O.

Date: 09th September 2024