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NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY: City of Melbourne

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EVENT TYPE: Large Event Portfolio

Declaration

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# Carbon neutral information

## Description of certification

Melbourne Music Week is a ten day celebration and showcase of live music in the City of Melbourne. It is made up of a number of in-house and independently produced shows across a variety of small and large venues in the city. In 2019 Melbourne Music Week ran from November 14-23 and was certified carbon neutral by Climate Active as part of the City of Melbourne’s large carbon neutral events portfolio.

As a certified carbon neutral organisation, the City of Melbourne manages an active emissions reduction plan. This plan identifies City of Melbourne’s large events as a material emissions source which prompted the carbon neutral certification of this large event portfolio. This is the second consecutive year the portfolio has been certified carbon neutral.

Greenhouse gas emissions considered include carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), nitrous oxide (N20), hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), perfluorocarbons (PFCs), sulphur hexafluoride (SF6) and nitrogen trifluoride (NF3).

The City of Melbourne has followed the Climate Active Carbon Neutral Standard for Events in the data collection and preparations of this report and used guiding Greenhouse Gas Protocol principles of; relevance, completeness, consistency, transparency and accuracy in the development of any new methodologies for this Large Event Portfolio.

## Changes since pre-event report

### Table 1 Changes in reporting since the pre-event report

Method Changes

| **Type of change** | **Comments** |
| --- | --- |
| Solar Powered Trams | From July 2019 the Melbourne tram network is powered by renewable energy sourced from Numurkah solar farm. To reflect this zero emissions form of transport, an emissions factor of 0.0 has been applied to all attendee tram travel to Melbourne Music Week. |
| Performer Flights – MMW attribution | Performers were asked to identify any other shows/festivals/concerts they were performing other than Melbourne Music Week while travelling to Melbourne. Many international artists included Melbourne Music Week as part of larger Australian tours. Where this was the case, only a proportion of their international travel emissions have been attributed to the Melbourne Music Week inventory – for example, if Melbourne Music Week was one of five Australian shows an artist played, only 20% of the travel emissions were attributed. |

Output changes (growth/decline)

| **Type of change** | **Comments** |
| --- | --- |
| Attendee Travel | While there were similar attendee numbers in 2019 compared with 2018, the total distance travelled by attendees was further in 2019 and a higher proportion travelled by car. This has resulted in an increase in attendee travel emissions. |

## Emissions reduction strategy

A number of emissions reduction activities were undertaken in the delivery of Melbourne Music Week 2019. Where possible individually quantified emissions reductions have been calculated and reported in the table below.

Future emissions reduction activities being explored for Melbourne Music Week 2020 include: Advising performers to offset any flights at the point of purchase; promotion of tram travel (run on renewable energy) to attendees; encouraging partner venues to consider renewable energy purchasing.

### Table 2 Emissions reduction measures implemented in the current certification period

| **Emission source** | **Reduction measure and calculation method** | **Scope** | **Status** | **Reduction t CO2-e** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Grid Gas | Moving to a hub without mains gas. Calculated as difference between 2018 and 2019 inventories. | 1 | Achieved | 5.7 |
| Grid Electricity | Moving to a hub which uses 100% GreenPower. Calculated as difference between 2018 and 2019 inventories. | 2 | Achieved | 2.0 |
| Attendee Transport – Trams | From July 2019 the Melbourne tram network is powered by 100% solar power. Emissions reduction represent the difference between applying the previous emissions factor to all MFW attendee tram travel and an emissions factor of 0. | 3 | Achieved | 27.5 |
| Performer/Staff Flights | All flights which were booked through the City of Melbourne Corporate Traveller account are offset under the City of Melbourne’s organizational carbon neutrality. Where an international performer had booked their own travel, they were asked to report how many other shows they were playing if on tour. Only a proportion of their international travel emissions have been attributed to the Melbourne Music Week if they were playing other shows. | 3 | Achieved | 20.2 |
| Tier Two Energy and Waste | All partner venues for Melbourne Music Week 2019 were provided with advice sheets on the top three energy and waste reduction measures they could implement in their venues. | 2&3 | Ongoing | Not quantified  |

**Total emission reductions implemented in this certification period** (t CO2-e) 55.4

# Emission Boundary

## Diagram of the certification boundary

| Quantified | Non-Quantified | Excluded |
| --- | --- | --- |
| * Electricity
* Gas
* Diesel Fuel
* Attendee Travel (ground transport)
* Participant Travel (flights)
* Participant Accommodation
* Food and Drink
* Food Waste
* General Waste
* Construction Waste
* Construction Materials
* Marketing Materials
* Florals
* Tier Three Events
 |  | * Contractor Vehicle Use
* Attendee Accommodation
* Warehouse Electricity Use
* Cleaning Services
* Staging/Equipment/Lighting Hire
* Office-Based Event Preparation Activities
 |

## Excluded sources (outside of certification boundary)

Some emissions sources have been excluded from the Melbourne Music Week boundary as they were determined immaterial or not relevant. The following guiding questions guided this exclusion process.

### Is the emission source deemed one of high-risk to City of Melbourne?

Emissions sources are deemed to be high risk if there is a high perceived risk to City of Melbourne’s reputation as a result of the emissions source (for example, highly visible impact sources such as marketing materials). Criteria were based on City of Melbourne Moomba and Melbourne Music Week 2015 materiality assessments and are revisited each year during event planning.

### Is the emission source of particular value to the event stakeholders?

High value emissions sources are those that may align with values of particular stakeholders, for example reducing construction/production waste may be particularly important to some even though the associated emissions are relatively small. The assessment of each emissions source against this criterion was based on the judgement of the City of Melbourne event management and Climate Change teams for Melbourne Music Week.

### Is the combined impact of the emission source significant in quantitative size?

The relative contribution of each emissions source to the overall Melbourne Music Week footprint was based on the inventories of each previously measured event. The significance of each emissions source in terms of size was based on this assessment.

# 3. Emissions summary

### Table 3 Emissions Summary

| **Emission source category**  | **Pre-event tonnes CO2-e** | **Post-event tonnes CO2-e** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Purchased Electricity (GreenPower) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Purchased Electricity  | 9.53 | 10.98 |
| Purchased Mains Gas | 0.56 | 0.57 |
| Municipal Solid Waste  | 8.91 | 20.49 |
| Food Waste (to compost/livestock) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Comingled Recycling | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| New Construction Materials | 12.44 | 11.90 |
| Marketing | 2.00 | 1.29 |
| Air Travel | 77.28 | 25.38 |
| Accommodation | 25.09 | 15.59 |
| Food | 10.64 | 11.25 |
| Drinks  | 56.12 | 67.56 |
| Attendee Travel  | 41.83 | 64.73 |
| Tier Three Events | 44.87 | 33.00 |
| Total Net Emissions  | 289.28 | 262.76 |

## True-up of emissions

### Table 4 True up of emissions

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Total tCO2-e in pre event report  | 289.28 |
| Total tCO2-e in post event report | 262.76 |
| True-up (total post event minus total pre event)  | -26.52 |

## Carbon Neutral products

Nil

## Electricity Summary

### Table 5 Location-based summary

| **State/ Territory** | **Electricity Inventory items** | **kWh** | **Full Emission factor (Scope 2 +3)** | **Emissions (tonnes CO2e)** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Vic | Electricity Renewables | 8448 | -1.12  | 0.00  |
| Vic | Electricity Carbon Neutral Power | 0 | -1.12  | 0.00  |
| Vic | Netted off (exported on-site generation) | 0 | -1.02  | 0.00  |
| Vic | Electricity Total |  18,292 | 1.12  | 20.5  |
|   | Total net electricity emissions (Location based) |   | 0.00  | 9.5  |

## Data collection of significant emissions

### Table 6 Data collection of significant emissions

| Emission source | Data collection method  | Assumptions  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Stationary Energy | Electricity and gas accounts were collected for all tier one events. Electricity and Gas accounts collected for a (minimum 50%) sample of tier two events and extrapolated across all other tier two events based on a ‘per-attendee’ factor. | Tier two event venues which did not provide data have comparable energy loads to those which did. |
| Food and Drinks | Food and drinks sales figures for all tier one events are collected. Food and drinks sales figures are collected for a (minimum 50%) sample of tier two events and extrapolated across all other tier two events based on a ‘per-attendee’ factor. | Tier two event venues which did not provide data have comparable food and beverage sales to those which did. |
| Attendee Travel | A sample of 468 attendees was asked what mode or travel they used to attend Melbourne Music Week and what the postcode of their origin was. Distance travelled was multiplied by an emissions factor for the selected mode (car, train, tram, walk, cycle, motorcycle). The sample was then extrapolated out over the whole number of Melbourne Music Week attendees. | The City of Melbourne developed a ‘transport attribution factor’ which determines the amount of an attendees transport emissions which should be attributed to the Melbourne Music Week inventory. In 2019 there were three identified cohorts of attendees – 1. Those who purchased a ticket to an event. 100% of this cohorts transport emissions were attributed. 2. Those who attended a free event in a venue 71% of this cohorts travel emissions were attributed. 71% is the proportion of surveyed attendees across the whole event who said that attending Melbourne Music Week was the main reason for their travel on that day. 3. Those who attended a free event outside (a busking event for example). Only 25% of this cohorts travel emissions were attributed as they were considered passers-by or not particularly invested in the event. |
| Participant Travel | All flights which were booked through the City of Melbourne corporate traveller account were collected. All other interstate and overseas participants reported their origin of travel and emissions were calculated from flight miles. | If an act was playing a number of shows on tour, only a proportion of their travel emissions would be attributed to Melbourne Music Week. For example, if Melbourne Music Week was one of five Australian shows an artist played, only 20% of the travel emissions were attributed. |
| Participant Accommodation | All interstate and overseas participants (music acts, speakers, producers) completed a form indicating the number of night’s stay in Melbourne during Melbourne Music Week.  |  |

# 4. Carbon offsets

## Offset purchasing strategy

### Table 7 Forward purchasing summary

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 1. Total offsets previously forward purchased for this event  | 647 |
| 2. Total offsets required for this reporting period | 773 |
| 3. Net offset balance for this reporting period | -126 |

### Table 8 Offset Summary

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| ***1. Total offsets required for this report*** | 773  |
| ***2. Offsets retired in previous reports and used in this report*** | 647 |
| ***3. Net offsets required for this report*** | 126 |

| **Project description** | **Eligible offset units type** | **Registry unit retired in** | **Date retired** | **Serial number (including hyperlink to registry transaction record)** | **Vintage**  | **Quantity (tonnes CO2-e)** | **Quantity used for previous report** | **Quantity to be banked for future years**  | **Quantity to be used this report** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Savannah Burning: The North Kimberley Fire Abatement Project.(carry over of over-purchased offsets from the Large Events Portfolio 2018) | ACCU | N/A | N/A | Previously retired and reported | 2015 | 220 | 220 | 0 | 220 |
| Savannah burning projects located in the north of Australia | ACCU | Emissions Reduction Fund | 11/08/2018 | 3,768,791,304 - 3,768,791,346 | 2013+ | 43 | 43 | 0 | 43 |

|  | ***Quantity used for previous report*** | ***Quantity to be banked for future years***  | ***Quantity to be used this report*** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ***Total offsets retired this report and used in this report*** |  |  | 773 |
| ***Total offsets retired this report and banked for future reports*** |  | 0 |  |

## Co-benefits

### Savannah burning - Australia

Avoiding emissions through actively managing fire regimes in the savannah grasslands of northern Australia.

**Description:** These projects help avoid emissions associated with high intensity grassfires occurring seasonally in the north of Australia. Fire is introduced to the landscape through a mosaic burning regime wherein burning off is conducted during the early stages of the dry season, resulting in reduced incidence of high‐intensity wildfires, typically occurring toward the end of the dry season. Projects include a high level of engagement and capacity development within the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

**Co-benefits**: Promotion of capacity, skills development and employment in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. Promoting indigenous cultural values through linking indigenous cultural practice with revenue generating opportunities. Diversification of revenue streams and job opportunities in remote communities. Improved habitat value and biodiversity through introduction of mosaic fire regime and reduction of wildfire impacts.

# 5. Use of trade mark

### Table 9 Use of trade mark

| **Description where trademark used** | **Logo type** |
| --- | --- |
| City of Melbourne and Melbourne Music Week websites | Certified Event |
| Melbourne Music Week wrap-up video | Certified Event |
| Melbourne Music Week on-site hub signage | Certified Event |
| Melbourne Music Week participating venues stickers | Certified Event |

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# 6. Additional information

## Appendix 1 - Excluded emissions

To be deemed relevant, an emission must meet two of the five relevance criteria. Excluded emissions are detailed below against each of the five criteria.

### Relevance Test

| **Excluded emission** | ***The emissions from a particular source are likely to be large relative to the organisation’s electricity, stationary energy and fuel emissions*** | ***The emissions from a particular source contribute to the organisation’s greenhouse gas risk exposure.*** | ***Key stakeholders deem the emissions from a particular source are relevant.*** | ***The responsible entity has the potential to influence the reduction of emissions from a particular source.*** | ***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.*** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Contractor Vehicle Use | X | X | X | X | X |
| Portable Toilet Use | X | X | X | X | X |
| Attendee Accommodation | X | X | X | X | X |
| Warehouse Electricity Use | X | X | X | X |  |
| Cleaning Services | X | X | X | X |  |
| Staging/Equipment/Lighting Hire | X | X | X | X | X |

### Appendix 2 – ACCUs surrendered for Large Event Portfolio – pre-event



### Appendix 3 – VCUs Surrendered for Large Event Portfolio – pre-event

