

Independent Assurance Statement

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Carbon & Energy Management And Reduction Scheme

TO THE DIRECTORS OF THE ENVIRO-MARK SOLUTIONS LIMITED BOARD

Responsible Party: United Utilities Group PLC
Registered address: Lingley Green Avenue, Great Sankey, Warrington, WA5 3LP, UK.
Inventory period: 01/04/2020 to 31/03/2021
Inventory report: EIR_2021_UU_CM_Org
Contract (client number sales database): UNI1510

We have reviewed the greenhouse gas emissions inventory report (“the inventory report”) for the above named Responsible Party for the stated inventory period.

Board of Directors’ Responsibilities (Responsible Party)

The Board of Directors of the Responsible Party is responsible for the preparation of an inventory report which gives a true and fair view of the greenhouse gas emissions of the Responsible Party in accordance with ISO 14064-1:2006 and the requirements of the Enviro-Mark Solutions CEMARS programme.

Verifiers’ Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the overall total reported GHG emissions, within the defined organisation boundary, as contained within the inventory report presented by the Board of Directors of the Responsible Party. Our verification was undertaken as agreed in the Contract which defines the scope, objectives, criteria and level of assurance of the verification.

Basis of Opinion

The subject matter contained in the inventory report is based on historical information for the stated inventory period. Our review was carried out in accordance with the criteria stated in ISO 14064-1:2006 and the CEMARS programme.

The verification included examination, on a test basis, of the evidence relevant to the information and data disclosed in the inventory report. It also included assessment of the assumptions and judgements made by the Responsible Party in the preparation of the inventory report.

We conducted our verification in accordance with ISO 14064-3:2006 and the requirements of the CEMARS Technical Requirements. We planned and performed our verification so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to obtain a reasonable level of assurance that the inventory report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by error or fraud. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information and data in the inventory report.

Other than in our capacity as an independent verifier of the emissions inventory we have no relationship with or interests in the Responsible Party.

Responsible Party's greenhouse gas assertion (certification claim)

United Utilities Group PLC meets the requirements of Carbon Reduce certification having measured its greenhouse gas emissions in accordance with ISO 14064-1:2006 and committed to managing and reducing its emissions in respect of the operational activities of its UK organisation.

Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our unqualified reasonable assurance opinion, the Scope 1, 2, and mandatory Scope 3 emissions included in the inventory report:


- comply with ISO 14064-1:2006 and the requirements of the Enviro-Mark Solutions CEMARS programme; and
- provide a true and fair view of the emissions inventory of the Responsible Party for the stated inventory period.

Qualifications/Limitations

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Achieved level of assurance

Reasonable assurance Scope 1, 2 & mandatory Scope 3 total emissions.

Verified by:		Authorised by:	
Name:	Glenn Cargill	Name:	Stephen Smith
Position:	Lead Verifier	Position:	Technical Reviewer, Achilles
Verification firm:	Achilles		
Signature:		Signature:	
Date verification audit:	06/05/2021		
Date opinion expressed:	26/05/2021	Date:	01/06/2021