

# Carbon Reduction Plan

Supplier name: **Computacenter UK**

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## Commitment to achieving Net Zero

Computacenter UK is committed to achieving Net Zero emissions across the global Computacenter Group by 2040 at the latest.

## 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.*

<b>Baseline Year: 2018</b>	
<b>Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.</b>	
2018 has been selected as the baseline year as emissions calculation methods and sources of emission factors differ from 2017. These methods continue to be used for current emissions reporting.	
<b>Baseline year emissions: 2018</b>	
<b>EMISSIONS</b>	<b>TOTAL (tCO<sub>2</sub>e)</b>
<b>Scope 1</b>	835
<b>Scope 2</b>	7,763
<b>Scope 3 (Included Sources)</b>	<i>Scope 3 emissions have not been reported prior to 2020  2020: 3,830 tCO<sub>2</sub>e across the following categories: Upstream transportation and distribution, Waste generated in operations, Business travel, Employee commuting, Downstream transportation and distribution</i>
<b>Total Emissions</b>	<i>8,598 (Scope 1 and Scope 2 only)</i>

## Current Emissions Reporting

Reporting Year: 2021	
EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
Scope 1	686 <i>Emissions have been third-party verified</i>
Scope 2	466 <i>Emissions have been third-party verified</i>
Scope 3 (Included Sources)	5,269 The sources of emissions included are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upstream transportation and distribution</li> <li>• Waste generated in operations</li> <li>• Business travel</li> <li>• Employee commuting</li> <li>• Downstream transportation and distribution</li> </ul>
<b>Total Emissions</b>	<b>6,421</b>

### Emissions reduction targets

In 2020, Computacenter established a Climate Committee, chaired by our Chief Financial Officer and made up of Group Managers and senior staff with specific environmental interests. The Committee's aim is to debate and propose initiatives to continue to reduce our environmental impact, with some material investments to be approved at Group Executive level.

We continue to make great progress with reducing our impact on the environment. Since 2015 we have cut our Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions by 91% and we expect a further large reduction in 2022.

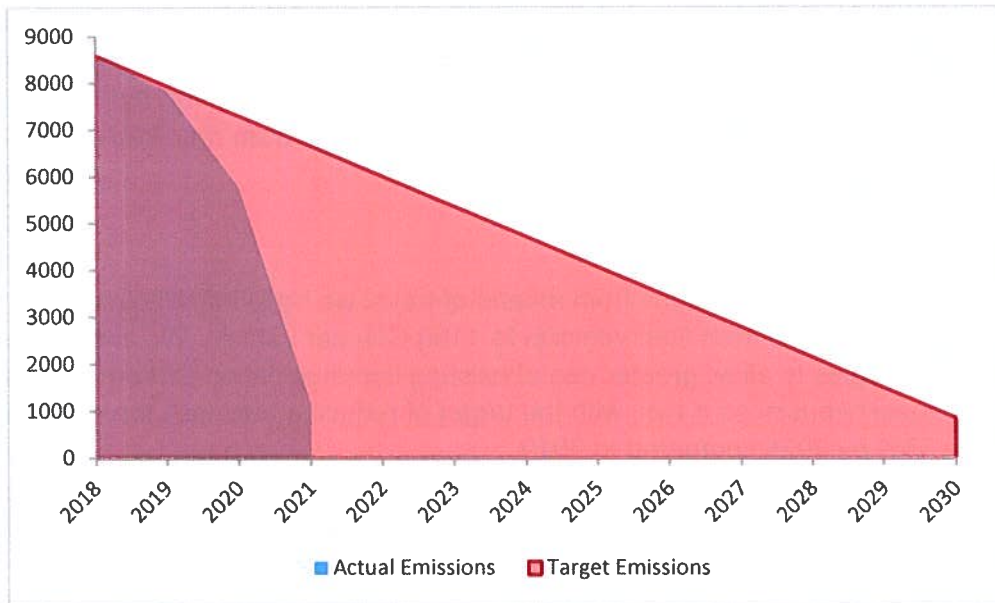
In order to continue our progress to achieving Net Zero, we have adopted the following carbon emission reduction targets:

- We previously had a target in place to reduce Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG emissions by 50% 4,265 tCO<sub>2</sub>e by 2030, using 2018 as a baseline year. This target was achieved ahead of our target year in 2021.
- *(Updated Target):* We now project that Scope 1 and Scope 2 carbon emissions will decrease by 90% to 860 tCO<sub>2</sub>e by 2030, using 2018 as a baseline year.
- Computacenter will be Carbon Neutral (Scopes 1 and 2) by the end of 2022. This will be achieved through further reductions in our 2022 emissions inventory, with any residual emissions negated through Gold Standard offsetting schemes.

- We also aim to reduce the subset of Scope 3 emissions by 37% by 2035, using 2020 as a baseline year.

In March 2021, Computacenter committed to the SBTi to the highest level of ambition – to limit warming to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels. We have since submitted both near-term and long-term targets to the SBTi and are currently waiting for validation of these targets. This process is due to start in Q1 2023.

Progress against these Scope 1 and Scope 2 targets can be seen in the graph below:



## Completed Carbon Reduction Initiatives

The following environmental management measures and projects have been completed or implemented since the 2018 baseline.

Since 2018 we have begun to implement emissions reduction strategies across UK business operations with the aim to achieve Net Zero emissions by 2040 at the latest. These strategies include renewable energy consumption and production, commitment to the Science-Based Targets initiative (SBTi), changes to the company fleet, ISO14001 certification and improvements in energy efficiency of our buildings to reduce energy consumption.

### Environmental Management Measures:

- Our Environmental Policy and Management System are compliant with ISO14001 and are reviewed against this standard annually
- In July 2022 our efforts in sustainability were awarded a silver rating by EcoVadis
- Computacenter was awarded a B rating in the 2022 CDP Climate Change Questionnaire

## **Energy Consumption and Production**

- In 2018 a 13,000m<sup>2</sup> photovoltaic system was conceptualised for the roof of our Integration Centre at our Headquarters in Hatfield. In 2019 the planned installation went ahead, with more than 6,300 solar panels installed. We believe this to be the largest rooftop installation in the UK in 2020.
- Following the success of the new photovoltaic solar panels in Hatfield, the Board approved the implementation of new solar installations at our office and Integration Centres in Kerpen and Livermore
- In addition to producing our own electricity from renewable sources, our UK business, among other geographies, operates on 100% renewable electricity, through a renewable electricity contract. Our green energy purchases mean that at the end of 2021, around 73% of the Group's electricity usage was from renewable sources.

## **Company Fleet and Business Travel**

- In order to reduce emissions from means of travel we have introduced a policy that restricts emissions from fleet vehicles to 110g CO<sub>2</sub> per vehicle. We are also investing in technologies to allow greater use of existing communication platforms to reduce unnecessary business travel, with the target of reducing business travel emissions by up to 35% by 2025 compared to 2019.
- We have also introduced an internal price on carbon and created a levy on business travel. Any flights or hotel stays will be charged an additional £10. This internal tax will contribute towards purchasing offsets to help achieve Net Zero status.

## **Infrastructure and Technology:**

- Our offices and other buildings have also undergone multiple upgrades to improve energy efficiency. For example, we have been specifying LED light bulbs whenever replacements are needed and at our circular services provider, RDC, all lighting has been replaced with LEDs, which is expected to reduce annual electricity consumption by around 60%.
- As IT equipment in our offices needs replacing, we are rolling out display screens that also power users' laptops and other devices, saving 50 to 60 per cent of the power of having separate chargers.
- We are also investing in 'smart-lighting' technologies, reducing the amount of time our offices and buildings are lit.
- Furthermore, at our Manchester Datacentre, an air conditioning unit refresh was completed in 2020 to replace existing units with far more energy efficient equipment, leading to reductions in energy consumption of 14% in 2021.

In the future we hope to implement further measures. These may include:

- A transition to a fully electric fleet by 2040
- We are exploring further sites for additional photovoltaic installations, such as Braintree

- Collaboration with key suppliers and customers to measure and limit GHG emissions from transportation and use of goods

## 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 standard<sup>1</sup> and uses the appropriate Government emission conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting<sup>2</sup>.

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) Standard<sup>9</sup>.

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:

  
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Date: 14/12/2022.....

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<sup>1</sup> <https://ghgprotocol.org/corporate-standard>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/government-conversion-factors-for-company-reporting> <sup>9</sup>  
<https://ghgprotocol.org/standards/scope-3-standard>