

Statement of verification

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Scope

Herbert Smith Freehills LLP (henceforth referred to as HSF), engaged Carbon Footprint Ltd to verify its carbon footprint assessment and supporting evidence for the period **1st May 2024 to 30th April 2025**. HSF is responsible for the information within the carbon footprint report. The responsibility of Carbon Footprint Ltd is to provide a conclusion as to whether the statements made are in accordance with the GHG Protocol Corporate Standard.

Methodology

The verification was led by Alex Pell, Senior Environmental Consultant, Carbon Footprint Ltd. Carbon Footprint Ltd completed the review in accordance with the [‘ISO 14064 Part 3 \(2019\): Greenhouse Gases: Specification with guidance for the verification and validation of greenhouse gas statements’](#). The work was undertaken to provide a limited level of assurance with respect to the GHG statements made. Carbon Footprint Ltd believes that the review of the assessment and associated evidence, coupled with this subsequent report, provides a reasonable and fair basis for our conclusion.

The following data was within the scope of the verification (below shows the post-audit results):

Scope	Source	Location-based (tCO ₂ e)	Market-based (tCO ₂ e)
Scope 1	Stationary fuel combustion & fugitive emissions	789.90	789.90
Scope 2	Purchased electricity & heat, steam & cooling	3,717.69	1,377.77
Scope 3	3.1 Purchased goods and services	26,019.33	
	3.2 Capital goods	3,057.63	
	3.3 Fuel and other energy related activities	641.58	
	3.4 Upstream transport and distribution	359.00	
	3.5 Waste generated in operation	680.89	
	3.6 Business travel	13,926.58	
	3.7 Employee commuting and home working	2,387.06	
	3.8 Upstream leased assets	1,249.14	
	3.14. Franchises	334.51	
Scope 3 Subtotal		48,655.72	
Total tonnes CO₂e		53,163.31	50,823.39
SECR – UK only GHG emissions		1,093.02	174.16
SECR – UK only energy consumption (MWh)		5,390 MWh	

Assurance opinion

Based on the results of our verification process, Carbon Footprint Ltd provides limited assurance of the GHG emissions statement, **and found no evidence that the GHG emissions statement:**

- is not materially correct and is not a fair representation of the GHG emissions data and information;
- has not been prepared in accordance with the GHG Protocol Corporate Standard.

It is our opinion that HSF has established appropriate systems for the collection, aggregation and analysis of quantitative data for determination of GHG emissions for the stated period and boundaries.

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