

Carbon Reduction Plan

Supplier Name: Quickline Communications Limited

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General information

Quickline Communications Limited (QCL) greenhouse gas emissions for the 2023 calendar year (1st January 2023 – 31st December) are detailed below.

We used the GHG Protocol Corporate Reporting standards for all scopes, using the Operational Control Approach as per [Corporate Standard | Greenhouse Gas Protocol \(ghgprotocol.org\)](https://ghgprotocol.org).

This is a continuation of our annual emissions reporting from a base line set in 2022 to which our future annual targets and long-term trajectory towards Net zero are measured. We have a targeted trajectory to become net zero by 2040 or earlier. This trajectory follows the ICT sectoral approach.

Baseline Emissions Footprint

Baseline Year: 2022	
Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.	
Scope 1 emissions are activity-based calculations from vehicle fuel and gas usage. Scope 2 emissions are location-based calculations for the generation of electricity for QCL. Scope 3 emissions were calculated on a spend-based formular for the individual sector. Where suppliers were reporting to the Carbon Disclosure Project, their emissions were used.	
Baseline year emissions:	
EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO₂e)
Scope 1	304
Scope 2	326
Scope 3	7,204

(Included Sources)	
Total Emissions	7,833

Current Emissions Reporting

Reporting Year: 2023	
Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.	
<p>Scope 1 emissions are activity-based calculations from vehicle fuel and gas usage.</p> <p>Scope 2 emissions are activity-based calculations for the generation of electricity for QCL.</p> <p>Scope 3 emissions were calculated on a spend-based formular for the individual sector and some activity based where known. Where suppliers were reporting to the Carbon Disclosure Project, their emissions were used.</p>	
EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO₂e)
Scope 1	762
Scope 2	289
Scope 3 (Included Sources)	9,714
Total Emissions	10,765

Carbon Reduction Targets and Net Zero Trajectory

QCL continue to develop the strategy to achieve Net Zero emissions.

There is no industry target for net zero beyond the global SBTi's target which we have used. However, we are in line with others in the sector that are ESG focused and publishing their strategy and net zero target.

Target reduction in scope 1 and 2 by 38% by 2030 and become net zero by 2040.

Target reduction in scope 3 of 42% by 2030 and become net zero by 2040.

Supplier engagement is critical to establishing an accurate trajectory using verified supplier data for scope 3.

A complete review of the target trajectory is suggested in 2030 for the following reasons.

- Expectation that the grid will have significantly moved towards decarbonisation by 2030.
- New legislation will have been introduced for businesses which may affect target.
- Our business growth will have stabilized.

tCO ₂ e	Base year	Phase 1 Projects	Phase 1 cont..	Phase 2 Projects	Phase 2 cont	Phase 3 Projects	Phase 4 Projects	UK NZ Policy Target	
8000									
7000									
6000									
5000		Broader stakeholder engagement scoped	Linked to ESG strategy, specific measures & initiatives with partners implemented	Strategy review					
4000	ESG & Net Zero gap analysis & governance review	Updated ESG, Environment and Sustainable Procurement policies & KPIs	ESG Strategy is fully implemented, EMS is set-up and certification achieved	On-going joint working					
3000	Scopes 1-3 fully established	Supplier Engagement initiated SBT commitment?	Best performing suppliers able to provide their own data to replace spend-based sector averages	Improved accountability and reporting using ISO 14001 EMS	Scope 3				
2000	Energy and carbon emissions baseline established	GHG accounting system set-up, commercial leased site data improved	Staff behaviour change engagement	Supplier data increasingly used instead of spend-based info	All main suppliers have SBTs in place				
1000		Scope 2							
	2022	Scope 1	2023	2024	2026-28	2028-30	2030-35	2040	2050

Scope 1 – 762 tonnes (7%)

- Increase from last year due to a significantly increased fleet. This will stabilise in 2024 /2025 and we aim to reduce with a move to electric vehicles in the future.
- EV charging point have been installed at our head office and store's location.

Scope 2 – 289 tonnes (3%)

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- Reduction in scope 2 emissions from the previous year due to energy saving schemes within our buildings and network estate, and a move to green renewable energy which will continue in 2024.

Scope 3 – 9,714 tonnes (90%)

- Increase in our scope 3 emissions due to significant network and infrastructure build.
- We will continue to work with partners and suppliers, focusing on the top 30 highest spends, to understand their existing emissions and work to reduce this. Expectation is that some will be performing better than the national average which could reduce scope by 20 - 40%.
- Where they do not currently measure GHG emissions, we are committed to help them on their journey to measure and reduce for future years tracking and reporting.
- Consolidate existing supplier list focusing on a split of commercial and environmental selection criteria.

Nature Based Solutions – Carbon Capture and Offsetting

- Consult NGOs within our network footprint such as North York Moors and the Yorkshire Dales, part of the Nation Parks UK and look to support a local project within their Net Zero With Nature (NZWN) program.
- Establish partnership with reforestation organisation locally to plant trees for every new connection made.
- Partner with a habitat restoration to use a nature-based' emissions sequestration to reduce the company's annual scope 1 and 2 emissions, such as peat bog protection.

Certification and Accreditations

B Corp is a globally recognised certification that demonstrate a business meets high standards of social and environmental performance. QCL are working towards B Corp certification with a target of certification in 2024.

QCL achieved the desired ISO 14001 certification in 2023.

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 and uses the appropriate Government emission conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting.

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.

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been reviewed and signed off by Quickline Communications Limited Chief Executive Officer

Signed on behalf of Quickline Communications Limited



Sean Royce, Chief Executive Officer

Date: 26/06/2024