

## 2023 PSO Climate Change Accountability Report

### BC Securities Commission

This PSO Climate Change Accountability Report for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 summarizes our greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions profile, the total offsets to reach net-zero emissions, the actions we have taken in 2023 to minimize our GHG emissions, and our plans to continue reducing emissions in 2024 and beyond.

#### **Emission Reductions: Actions & Plans**

BCSC did a premise refresh in 2023, using the following energy conscious/environment approaches:

- Paint and carpet chosen were low VOC for minimum off gassing
- Carpet tile was used instead of roll carpet
- New glass walls installed throughout our office to increase light were built from recycled glass panels taken from a former large interior glass paneled room that was dismantled
- Appliances are all energy star rated
- Wherever possible, newly built areas were furnished with repurposed furniture
- Refinished and reupholstered existing furniture where possible
- Almost all pre-existing office suites were retained
- Green recyclers were used for excess disposal items

We had a slight increase in paper usage, up 2.5% from last year, however, our usage is still 70% below pre-pandemic numbers (2019).

We will continue to encourage electronic delivery of mail and reduce paper usage.

## 2023 GHG Emissions and Offsets Summary Table

<b>BC Securities Commission 2023 GHG Emissions and Offsets Summary</b>	
<b>GHG emissions for the period January 1 - December 31, 2023</b>	
Total BioCO <sub>2</sub>	0.036256
Total Emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	118
Total Offsets (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	118
<b>Adjustments to Offset Required GHG Emissions Reported in Prior Years</b>	
Total Offsets Adjustment (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	0
<b>Grand Total Offsets for the 2023 Reporting Year</b>	
Grand Total Offsets to be Retired for 2023 Reporting Year (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	118
Offset Investment (\$)	\$2,950

**Retirement of Offsets:**

In accordance with the requirements of the Climate Change Accountability Act and the Carbon Neutral Government Regulation, BC Securities Commission (the Organization) is responsible for arranging for the retirement of the offsets obligation reported above for the 2023 calendar year, together with any adjustments reported for past calendar years (if applicable). The Organization hereby agrees that, in exchange for the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (the

Ministry) ensuring that these offsets are retired on the Organization's behalf, the Organization will pay within 30 days, the associated invoice to be issued by the Ministry in an amount equal to \$25 per tonne of offsets retired on its behalf plus GST.

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