

Knowledge Network Corporation 2023 PSO Climate Change Accountability Report

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PART 1. Legislative Reporting Requirements

Declaration statement: 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

As British Columbia's public broadcaster and streamer, we are committed to acting responsibly on the environment and to increase awareness of environmental and climate change issues with our viewers across the province. In 2023, Knowledge Network educated and informed British Columbians about the issues of climate change, conservation and sustainability through programs made available on-air and through our streaming service (website and apps).

Highlights include:

The Life-Sized City - from ordinary citizens to urban activists and political leaders, this series gives a voice to those who make up the social fabric that redefines city life, talking about public space, transport, family life, urban sprawl, bikeability and green initiatives all on a human scale.

The Secret Life of Landfill - digs into the history of rubbish and examines what it tells us about the way we live our lives, the evolution of our throwaway society and future uses for today's waste.

The Secret Science of Sewage - investigates the revolutionary science finding vital renewable resources and undiscovered life in human waste, revealing what the stuff we flush can tell us about how we live today, and the incredible biotechnology being harnessed to clean it and make it safe enough to return to the environment.

The Magnitude of All Things - stories from the frontlines of climate change merge with recollections from B.C. filmmaker Jennifer Abbott's childhood on Ontario's Georgian Bay in this exploration of loss - both personal and planetary.

The Great Green Wall - Malian musician/activist Inna Modja's epic journey along Africa's Great Green Wall - an ambitious vision to create an 8,000 km corridor of restored land across the continent.

Climate Change: Ade on the Frontline - Ade Adepitan travels to places on the frontline of climate change to see how life is being affected, and scours the globe for solutions.

Forest for the Trees - finding common cause, self-knowledge and meaning in their formidable task, tree planters in British Columbia restore themselves and each other in the process of restoring the environment.

Just Eat It - after seeing how much of our food is wasted, B.C. filmmakers eat only rescued food for six months, discovering that truckloads of perfectly edible food are destined for the landfill.

The Lords of Water - aims to present the dangers to which people and governments are exposed when they allow the financial world to seize a resource as vital as water with one in four people living in a country suffering from chronic water shortages by 2050.

Drowning in Plastic - plastic in our oceans is one of the greatest environmental challenges of our time, with this award-winning film at the centre of an urgent and vital debate of how to solve this global crisis.

The Shadow of Gold – explores the impact of the global mining industry as well as the lives of small-time miners in the world's poorest nations, revealing conflict, exploitation, and environmental degradation.

Knowledge Network is one of 17 Canadian broadcasters that have united to form *Canadian Broadcasters for Sustainability*, a group which is committed to working together to increase environmentally sustainable change within the production sector.

A. Stationary Sources (e.g. buildings, power generation)

As a tenant in a building owned and operated by the British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT), building operations to minimize GHG emissions are not within our control.

B. Mobile Sources (e.g. fleet vehicles, off-road/portable equipment)

Knowledge Network does not have/use mobile sources.

C. Paper Consumption

All Knowledge Network print materials used for communication with donors, including bi-monthly publications, are printed on FSC paper (Forestry Stewardship Council).

Increasing communications with donors through email to reduce paper usage continues to be a focus to support emission reductions.

2023 GHG Emissions and Offsets Summary Table

Knowledge Network Corporation 2023 GHG Emissions and Offsets Summary	
GHG emissions for the period January 1 - December 31, 2023	
Total BioCO ₂	0
Total Emissions (tCO ₂ e)	101
Total Offsets (tCO ₂ e)	101
Adjustments to Offset Required GHG Emissions Reported in Prior Years	
Total Offsets Adjustment (tCO ₂ e)	0
Grand Total Offsets for the 2023 Reporting Year	
Grand Total Offsets to be Retired for 2023 Reporting Year (tCO ₂ e)	101
Offset Investment (\$)	\$2,525

Retirement of Offsets:

In accordance with the requirements of the *Climate Change Accountability Act* and the Carbon Neutral Government Regulation, *Knowledge Network Corporation (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.

Executive Sign-off:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle" followed by a stylized, circular flourish.

Signature

Michelle van Beusekom
Name

2024-05-24

Date

President and CEO
Title