

#### Certas Energy UK Ltd – Carbon Reduction Plan

Certas Energy UK Ltd and its Subsidiaries (together "Certas Energy UK") are committed to achieving Net Zero carbon emissions by 2050. Our carbon reduction plan and environmental initiatives contribute to our parent company, DCC plc's, "Cleaner Energy in Your Power" strategy.

### **Baseline Emissions Footprint**

Baseline emissions are a record of the Greenhouse Gases ("GHG") 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. Certas Energy UK Ltd has selected the Greenhouse gas emissions from the 2019 fiscal year as our baseline period for our Scope 1 & 2 GHG emissions and FY22 for Scope 3 GHG emissions which aligns with our parent company DCC plc. The effectiveness of our current and future Environmental Management measures and our Carbon reduction performance will be measured against these baselines.

### Baseline Years: 2019 (Scope 1& 2), 2022 (Scope 3)

Certas Energy UK Ltd, has established ambitious decarbonisation objectives that align with our strategic direction and those of our parent company, DCC plc. These objectives aim to decarbonise our operations and lead the energy transition for our customers through the provision of a choice of low-carbon energy solutions.

- Achieve net-zero emissions, including Scope 3, by 2050.
- o Attain a 50% reduction in Scope 1 and Scope 2(market based) GHG emissions by 2030, relative to our 2019 baseline

Our Scope 1 emissions represent the direct GHG emissions from our UK operations. The majority of these emissions are attributed to mobile combustion activities associated with our extensive fleet of tankers delivering fuel to customers. Additionally, our Scope 1 emissions include a minor contribution from stationary combustion at a limited number of depots nationwide, which utilize off-grid fuel sources for heating.

Certas Energy UK's Scope 2 GHG emissions are calculated using a market-based approach. These targets align with the goals of the Paris Agreement. Our 2030 GHG emission target is integral to our strategic direction and customer-centric approach.

	GHG Emissions – tCO2e		
	Baseline		Current
Metric	01/04/18- 31/03/19	01/04/21-31/03/22	01/04/24- 31/03/25
Scope 1	34,000		15,000
Scope 2	3,000		1,000
Scope 3		13,583,000	10,958,000
Total			10,974,000

Certas Energy UK measures and reports its Scope 3 emissions in accordance with industry best practices and relevant regulatory requirements.

For most organisations, Scope 3 emissions account for the vast majority of total value chain emissions, and Certas Energy UK is no exception. Whilst it is important to continue to reduce Scope 1 and 2 emissions, we are also focused on working in partnership with our suppliers and customers to identify opportunities to reduce emissions in the wider value chain. There has been extensive work undertaken on benchmarking and measuring Scope 3 emissions from our parent company DCC Plc over the last three years.

Two categories account for over 90% of our Scope 3 emissions:



**Category 3**: Fuel and energy-related activities not included in Scope 1 and 2. These are the upstream (often called well-to-tank) emissions associated with the energy sold by DCC businesses including ourselves, Certas Energy UK.

**Category 11:** Use of sold products. These are the emissions generated when our customers use the energy products sold by Certas Energy UK.

Reducing these emissions while continuing to meet our customers' needs for reliable and efficient forms of energy is a core component our energy strategy. Consequently, other subsets of Scope 3 emissions are not published at this stage.

Certas Energy UK's investment in renewable fuels, including Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil (HVO), significantly supports our customers in their Scope 1 emissions reduction and overall decarbonisation efforts.

We employ a comprehensive approach to ensure accurate and transparent reporting. Our Scope 3 emissions are calculated based on data collected across various categories, including both upstream and downstream activities. Certas Energy UK adheres to the disclosure guidelines set out in the Procurement Policy Note (PPN) 06/21 with respect to Scope 1 & Scope 2 GHG emissions, ensuring our reporting is consistent with the requirements for major government contracts and aligns with the broader goals of the Paris Agreement.

Certas Energy UK continues to progress various initiatives to achieve year on year reduction in our GHG emissions and assist our customers on their energy transition. Certas Energy UK projects that our carbon emissions will continue to decrease over the next five years.

## **Carbon Reduction Projects**

# **Completed Carbon Reduction Initiatives**

Certas Energy UK has established an Environmental Sustainability (ES) Committee, including members of our Senior Leadership Team. One of the committee's objectives is to track and monitor our performance against established targets and to allocate resources to initiatives as necessary.

Certas Energy UK has made substantial investments in our nationwide depot network to provide the necessary infrastructure for our fleet and customers to access renewable fuels such as Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil (HVO). Our business is committed to offering customers lower-carbon alternative fuels and innovative solutions to assist, this including HVO storage tank hire. These initiatives and measures will remain in effect throughout the contract period.

Our employee company car policy has been revised to eliminate diesel vehicles, with only battery electric and petrol hybrid vehicles now available. Transitioning our fleet to hybrid and fully electric vehicles will continue to result in significant carbon savings over the lease term of each vehicle. This policy enables our team to access a range of electric vehicles that offer the latest technology and cost-effective motoring.

Certas Energy, has established, implemented, and maintains an Energy Management System certified to the ISO 50001 Standard. Consequently, we have introduced several energy-saving initiatives across our transport and facilities, including technological advancements in routing and the upgrading of lighting to LED. Additionally, the electricity we purchase for our facilities is now sourced almost entirely from renewable sources. Certas Energy UK Ltd has recorded a reduction in energy consumption of over 23% against its baseline. Certas Energy UK, is certified to ISO 14001 & ISO 45001.

Going forward, Certas Energy UK will continue to implement additional measures, including the ongoing deployment of low-carbon renewable liquid fuels in our fleet. Our fuel delivery drivers will undertake additional Safe and Fuel-Efficient Driving (SAFED) training to reduce our fuel consumption. Both of these initiatives will have a significant impact of reducing our Scope 1 emissions. Certas Energy UK has established a Renewable Energy business unit that provides energy-efficient, low-carbon solutions for our domestic and commercial customers, including photovoltaic (PV) solar installations and air source heat pump equipment. These technologies and expertise will be utilized across our facilities where feasible.



Certas Energy UK remains committed to investing in a vehicle replacement program for its fleet, substituting older vehicles with EURO 5/6 rated tankers. These new vehicles are more fuel-efficient, helping to reduce our carbon emissions and lower air pollution compared to older engine models.

Further information can be found in the Certas Energy UK, Powering Progress Sustainability Report, available on our website.

## **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 latest UK Government emission conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting. Our 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 the board of directors (or equivalent management body).

Signed on behalf of the Certas Energy UK Ltd & Subsidiaries

Steve Little Managing Director

Date 01/07/2025