
Verification Statement

Background

Optera was engaged by Mitie Group PLC (“Mitie”) to provide independent verification on the accuracy of selected information included in Mitie’s FY 2024 GHG emissions and water consumption datasets, and express a conclusion as to whether the assertions contained in the inventory is presented fairly in accordance with (1) ISO 14064-1 *Specification with guidance at the organization level for quantification and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions and removals*, and (2) Global Reporting Initiative’s (GRI), *G4 Sustainability Reporting Guidelines*.

Per contractual agreement, Mitie’s FY 2024 GHG Emissions and water consumption Inventory Verification Report and Statement were prepared by Optera solely for Mitie’s benefit. The information contained therein, its presentation to CDP and inclusion in corporate sustainability reports are the sole responsibility of Mitie.

Boundary and Scope

Optera examined Mitie’s FY 2024 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and water consumption assertion, as follows:

Scope 1	Direct emissions from onsite and transport fuel combustion and fugitive emissions
Scope 2	Indirect emissions from purchased electricity, steam, heating, or cooling <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Location-based accounting method
Scope 3	Other indirect emissions in the value chain <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Purchased Goods & Services• Employee Commute• Waste Generated in Operations• Business travel• Water Supply Emissions• Upstream Transportation & Distribution (WTT & losses)• Upstream Transport & Distribution (Logistics)• Upstream Leased Assets

The verification was conducted on 100 percent of Mitie’s reported scope 1, scope 2 and scope 3 emissions. This includes all direct and indirect emissions and water consumption from facilities that are under Mitie’s *financial control*.

Period Covered

Mitie’s GHG assertion covers the 2024 fiscal year: 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024.

Data Verified

The final quantities verified were presented in Mitie Emissions_29.04.24_V3, as follows:

Item	Quantity
Scope 1 emissions UK (before offsets)	18,265.32 tCO ₂ e
Scope 2 emissions UK (before offsets)	
Location-based emissions	2,320.78 tCO ₂ e
EV charging removed Emissions	-92.93 tCO ₂ e
Scope 3 emissions UK	
Purchased Goods and Services	209,399.07 tCO ₂ e
• PG&S	
Upstream Leased Assets	
• Electricity (Landlord Supplies-All):	561.64 tCO ₂ e
• Gas (Landlord Supplies):	114.43 tCO ₂ e
Waste Generated in Operations	
• Subcategory: Landfill Waste:	0 tCO ₂ e
• Subcategory: EFW & Recycled Waste:	7.35 tCO ₂ e
Upstream Transportation & Distribution (WTT & losses)	
• Electricity (WTT)	45.26 tCO ₂ e
• EV	155.67
• Petrol (WTT)	308.34 tCO ₂ e
• Diesel (WTT)	4,163.16 tCO ₂ e
• Natural Gas (WTT)	6.01 tCO ₂ e
Upstream Transportation & Distribution logistic	
• Logistic	5,954.06 tCO ₂ e
Business Travel	
• Rail	430.00 tCO ₂ e
• Air	1,222.43 tCO ₂ e
• Hotel Stays	746.86 tCO ₂ e
Employee Commute	
• Commute	44,214.51 tCO ₂ e
• Work from home	1,333.96 tCO ₂ e
Water Supply	
• Water	4.94 tCo ₂ e

Total Scope 1+ scope 2 emissions UK (before offsets)	20,493.17 tCo2e
Total Scope 1+ scope 2 emissions Overseas (before offsets)	877.64 tCo2e
Total Scope 1+ scope 2 emissions (after offsets)	16,870.81 tCo2e
Total Scope 3 emissions	268,667.69 tCo2e
Total scope 1+2 (without offsets) + scope 3 emissions	290,038.50 tCo2e
Total scope 1+2 (with offsets) + scope 3 emissions	285,538.50 tCo2e

The overseas emissions for Mitie incorporate emissions from Spain, totaling **877.64 tCO₂e** for scope 1 and scope 2 combined. Therefore, the total scope 1 and 2 emissions for Mitie, after offset application, amount to **16,870.81 tCO₂e**.

Methodology

This Verification has been developed based on principles and methods described in (1) ISO 14064-3 *Specification with Guidance for the validation and verification of greenhouse gas assertions*, and (2) GRI's *G4 Sustainability Reporting Guidelines*. The verification has been conducted to achieve a *limited level of assurance*. Given the status of Mitie's GHG emissions inventory and management system, a limited level of assurance verification was appropriate for this project.

As part of the independent assessment Optera performed the following tasks:

- Examination of the FY 2024 GHG emissions and water consumption data;
- Examination of underlying calculations to confirm the formula references and accumulation of data, and re-performance of a sample of the calculations;
- Determine whether the elements of the protocol were consistently and appropriately applied;
- Cross-check of emissions factors against referenced sources and assessment of the appropriateness of the selected factors;
- Evaluation of potential errors, omissions or misrepresentations resulting from data input, transformation and/or output processes; and
- Collection of testimonial evidence (i.e. interviews), data review and sampling to provide an understanding of management/financial control procedures to be implemented by the responsible party to ensure the quality, integrity and security of the GHG and water information.

Findings

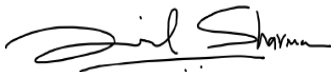
It is Optera's opinion that based on the verification methodology and activities described above, there is no evidence that Mitie's FY 2024 GHG emissions and water consumption assertions are not:

- Founded upon appropriate systems for the collection, aggregation and analysis of quantitative data for determination of scope 1 (direct), scope 2 (indirect) and scope 3 (other indirect) emissions; and water consumption data;
- Correct at a *limited* level of assurance;
- Meets the minimum level of accuracy of at least 95 percent;

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- Accurate, materially correct, and a fair representation of GHG emissions and water consumption data and information; and
 - Prepared in accordance with ISO 14064-1 and GRI G4 guidelines, including associated requirements for the design, development, management, reporting and verification of an organization's environmental data.

Statement of Independence, Impartiality and Competence

Optera is an independently owned and operated consulting and software services company that specializes in technical analysis and innovation for efficiency and renewable resources. Optera has considerable experience in the development, reporting and verification of GHG emissions information for industrial, utility, municipal and corporate clients. Optera's verification team did not contribute to the compilation of Mitie's FY 2024 GHG inventory and did not work on the GHG inventory beyond what is required of this assignment. Optera has conducted this verification independently, and there has been no conflict of interest.



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