

From: Carbon Neutral Government Programme
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Kia ora koutou,

We hope the audit process is wrapping up smoothly for everyone. We have several important updates to share, so please read all the way through.

Change to MfE CNGP team

As everyone is acutely aware, the public sector is undergoing significant changes and restructuring. MfE has nearly finished its own restructuring, which will result in the disestablishment of the CNGP as a standalone team. However, from November all CNGP MfE functions will continue within two new teams, which will split the reporting/support, and policy components. You will have continuity in the MfE CNGP contact, as Sultana will be the lead for all reporting and implementation aspects of the programme moving forward. The existing CNGP inbox will remain active and is the best way to contact the MfE CNGP. Please be patient with us, as response times may increase due to staffing changes.

Briefing to Minister Watts

You may have seen recent media coverage regarding advice provided by MfE to Minister Watts concerning the CNGP's carbon neutrality goal. We can confirm that the Ministry has discussed options with the Minister, but no decisions have been brought to Cabinet at this time. Feedback from the Minister on a further briefing this month will guide our next steps for the programme, and we will keep you informed of any developments.

2024 Reporting

All documents in the data tool (accessible from the main menu -> reports -> overview -> shared) are now finalised. Please note that the online version of the survey will not be ready for you until 21 October. If you'd like to prepare your responses in advance, you can download the 2024 reporting survey questions in Word format from this section in the tool; however, you must use the online survey to submit your final response. The data tool is updated with corrected names and processes pages for you to attach your documentation when you are ready. Please note we may not process your submission immediately.

Update your contact information

We know there have been many changes across the public service. Please ensure that the CNGP has your organisation's up-to-date contact information, including details for your Chief Executive and senior leadership representative. If there are any updates, please inform us through the inbox.

Update on request for CNGP monitoring data

We contacted you recently regarding a request for CNGP monitoring data. Thank you to everyone who provided feedback on this request. Most organisations were supportive of the information being released but there were some concerns regarding the level of detail proposed. Our Ministerial team have subsequently advised that this request does not constitute an official information request, and we are now treating it as a data request. Our intention is to release a slightly less detailed dataset on our website. The original request was from data.govt.nz and we will be providing them with a link to this information. The following example using MfE data shows the level of detail we intend to release. If you have any concerns or questions regarding this, please contact us at cngp@mfe.govt.nz

Sum of Emissions (t-CO ₂ e)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Ministry for the Environment	1324.138	1287.006	660.309	367.867	442.968	758.377
Scope 2	71.780	51.938	52.230	64.286	60.289	60.895
Electricity	71.780	51.938	52.230	64.286	60.289	60.895
Scope 3 (Mandatory)	1246.951	1232.303	604.987	302.925	380.783	694.362
Business travel - Air travel domestic	486.010	430.700	307.505	256.096	113.466	316.405
Business travel - Air travel International - Business Class	666.850	726.781	224.092		152.409	110.370
Business travel - Air travel International - Economy	53.260	51.117	40.215		6.524	36.918
Business travel - Air travel International - Premium Economy	12.630	7.402	6.213		0.000	81.970
Business travel - Other (e.g. hotel, meals, etc)					10.921	30.152
Business travel - Transport (e.g. taxi, public transport, rail)	26.971	15.853	19.787	19.295	11.047	41.046
Freight - rail, road, coastal shipping and couriers				7.863	1.347	3.837
Staff working from home			4.638	16.421	64.778	37.688
Transmission and distribution losses (electricity)				2.628	10.109	8.532
Waste (to landfill)	1.230	0.450	0.537	0.621	0.193	8.339
Wastewater					9.262	17.548
Water					0.725	1.557

What's on:

CNGP upcoming and related events:

- In the past few weeks, we have had a few workshops. Both the reporting workshop and Emissions Reduction with Climate Leaders Coalition and Sustainable Business Council workshop are in the CNGP Teams channel under the files section.
- Ask an expert session:** Andrew Douglas, Managing Director of Opportune, will be joined by our own Louise Bullen in the Supply Chain COI meeting on **Thurs 17 Oct (10:30am)** to answer your questions on supply chain reporting boundaries. If time allows, Andrew is also happy to speak more broadly. Please email us at cngp@mfe.govt.nz to be added to the invitation for this Teams meeting.
- Sustainability Leadership Programme by Catapult**
Navigating the complexities of carbon reduction requires a unique blend of leadership skills and support. The Catapult / SBC [Sustainability Leadership Programme](https://catapult.co.nz/developing-leaders/sustainability-leadership-programme/) (SLP) equips you with the strategic thinking, collaboration, and influence capabilities essential for tackling our most pressing sustainability challenges. By joining the SLP, you'll not only enhance your leadership capacity but also gain access to a powerful network of peers who share your commitment to a sustainable future. Together, we can accelerate New Zealand's transition to a low-carbon economy. Learn more about how SLP can amplify your impact. <https://catapult.co.nz/developing-leaders/sustainability-leadership-programme/>.

Intrigued by the [Sustainability Leadership Programme](https://catapult.co.nz/developing-leaders/sustainability-leadership-programme/)? Join SBC and Catapult for a free taster session to discover how SLP can empower you to drive meaningful change. [Register now for our upcoming taster session](#). You can find out more about SLP and register for the programme [here](#).

Ngā mihi,

Sultana, Bree, Louise, & Matthew

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