

## CEMARS

### Certified Emissions Measurement and Reduction Scheme

## Disclosure Statement



**Introduction** – Achilles Group Limited works to identify, qualify, evaluate and monitor suppliers on behalf of major organisations worldwide. Achilles’ services for sustainable procurement help create opportunities for business and reduce risk in the supply chain.

Areas of business activities include;

- Office activity
- Main product – computer databases
- Travel (to offices, customer visits, conferences etc)
- Assessment services (audit)
- Conferences

Achilles operates a number of business units around the world and has a presence in over 24 countries. The company has over 350 employees worldwide and operates in the following industry sectors; construction, Information and Communication Technology (ICT), mining, oil & gas, pharmaceuticals, public sector, transport, utilities, and finance.

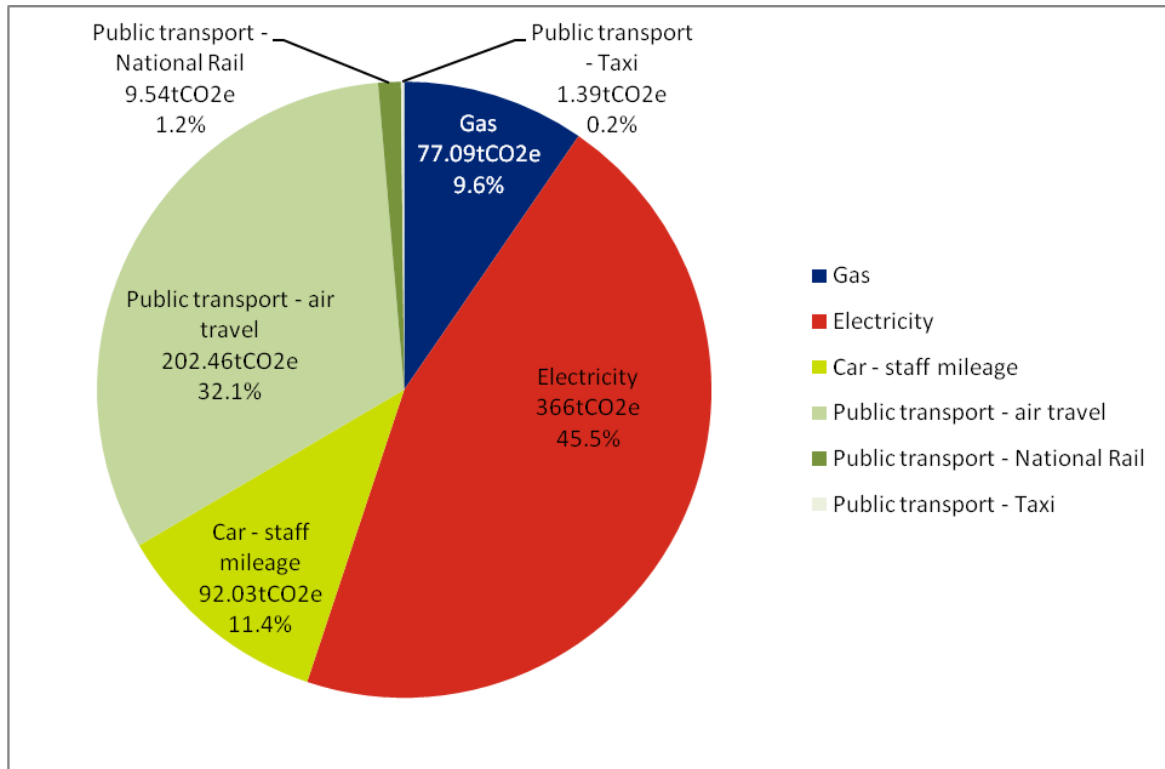
Achilles head office is situated in Abingdon and consists of a leased 3 floor building (with 139 employees). Other offices in the UK include Derby (leased 1 floor in a shared building, 10 employees) and Aberdeen (leased space in a shared building, 20 employees).

Achilles is a signatory of the UN Global Compact – an initiative which enshrines a set of 10 principles covering human rights, labour standards, the environment and corruption. As part of its reporting to the UN Global Compact, Achilles is committed to measuring and managing its carbon footprint for Achilles Group Limited (UK operations) and establishing a management and reduction strategy.

**Boundary** – the diagram below shows the organisational structure used for describing Achilles Group Limited (UK operations) greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions inventory, and what business units were included in the CEMARS certification. Yellow business units were excluded from the certification.



**Graph showing total operational emissions for Achilles Group Limited (UK operations)**



**GHG emissions reduction commitments** – Achilles Group Limited (UK operations) has developed a GHG emissions reduction plan. Some projects in this plan include:

- Travel policy review – review travel policy inline with reducing emissions. Incorporate more conference calls and webinars in order to reduce travel. Monitor using a travel log noting mileage saved.
- PC monitors – Trial *Surveyor* software which aims to reduce environmental and financial power. Tool measures kwh electricity consumed, CO2 emitted and energy costs of PCs.
- Expense claims – review the expense claims and modify in order to facilitate future data collection on mileage, flights, train travel etc

**Base year** – 01/05/2007 to 30/04/2008

**Certification status** – CEMARS certified Achilles Group Limited (UK operations) covering UK operations in Abingdon, Derby and Aberdeen.

**Valid until** – 31<sup>st</sup> July 2009