

Summary of carboNZero certification:

Nelson City Taxi Society



Nelson City Taxi Society Ltd Meets the requirements of carboNZero^{Cert™} certification having measured its greenhouse gas emissions in compliance with ISO 14064-1, committed to reducing its emissions and neutralised the remaining unavoidable emissions in respect of the operational activities of its organisation including its taxi service.



Introduction¹ – The Nelson City Taxi Society Ltd (trading as Nelson City Taxis) was established in 1962. It currently has Nelson’s largest fleet of sedans, wagons, vans and services in the Nelson and Tasman Districts. Nelson City Taxi Society is a member of the New Zealand Taxi Federation.

Nelson City Taxi Society has a membership of 31 shareholders (who are also drivers) and 5 directors. There are approximately 30 extra drivers and 8 staff, In the 2008/09 measurement period there were approximately 38 vehicles and two buses in use.

Nelson City Taxis also runs the ‘Bus works’ and ‘Nelson Tours’ brands and websites. Vehicles from Nelson City Taxis operate these services.

Nelson City Taxi Society is embarking on a programme to reduce its environmental impacts, as part of the carboNZero certification process.

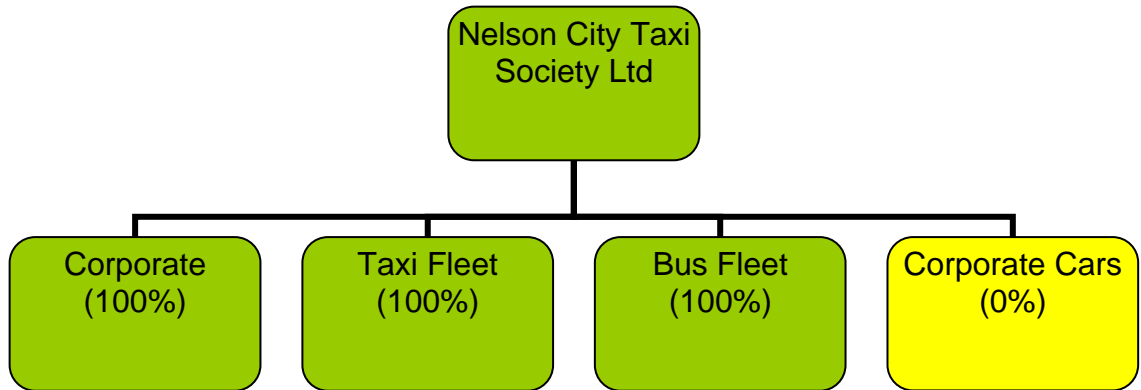
The organisation website is www.nelsontaxis.co.nz

Boundary – the diagram below shows the organisational structure used for describing Nelson City Taxi Society’s greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions inventory, and what business units were included in the carboNZero certification. Yellow business units were excluded from the certification.

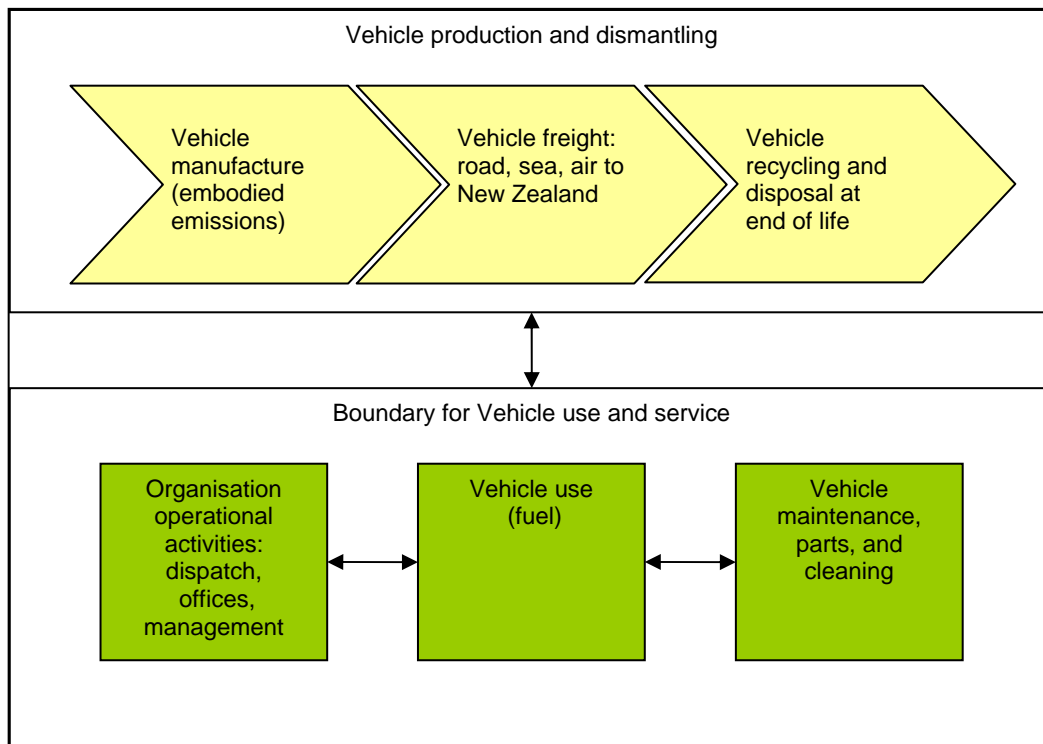
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For the certified service, the diagram below shows the additional GHG emissions sources associated with the life cycle of the taxi service. The green boxes indicate activities included in the certified service, whilst the yellow boxes indicate the emissions sources not included in the certified service.



Consolidation approach – operational control

Base year – 01/07/2008 to 30/06/2009

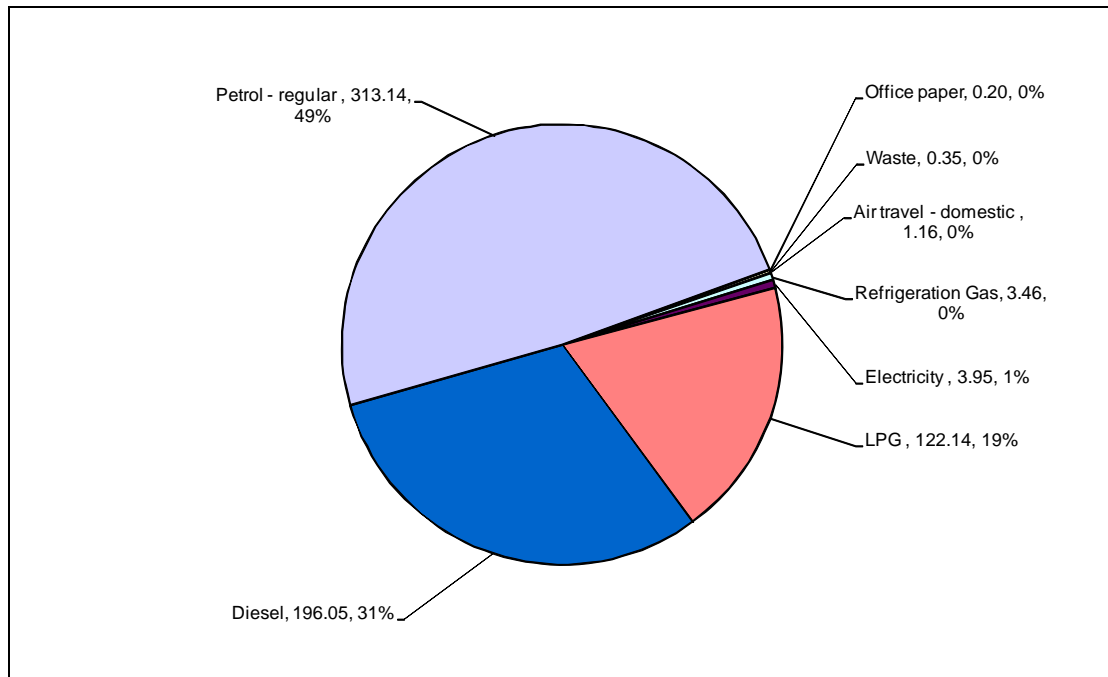
GHG emissions source inclusions – the diagram below shows the operational GHG emissions for Nelson City Taxi Society by emissions source. The organisation's

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total emissions for this period were 671.55 tonnes carbon dioxide equivalents (CO₂e) comprising 664.79 tonnes CO₂e Scope 1, 5.06 tonnes CO₂e Scope 2 and 1.70 tonnes CO₂e Scope 3 emissions.



GHG emissions source exclusions –

- Waste, office paper, hotel accommodation and electricity for offsite/contracted grooming. These activities were estimated to be less than 1% of the entire inventory and are therefore *de minimis*.
- Vehicle Maintenance and grooming – lack of data and initial analysis based on assumptions has shown to be *de minimis*.
- Bus fleet refrigerant gas leakage - lack of data and initial analysis based on assumptions has shown to be *de minimis*.
- Nelson Tours activity when not undertaken using Nelson City Taxi vehicles – this very infrequent and insufficient data is available.

GHG emissions reduction commitments – Nelson City Taxi Society has developed a GHG emissions reduction plan. Some projects in this plan include:

- Introduction of a vehicle fleet policy which controls the age and CO₂ rating of vehicles
- Providing safe and fuel efficient driving practises by way of information and /or training for all drivers.
- Maintenance of vehicles (Fleet) on a regular bases
- Undertaking a vehicle fleet check through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA)

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Offset – 672 tonnes CO₂e. AAUs² from Trustpower Hydro projects created under the New Zealand Government's PRE³ above scheme. Serial numbers 501968-502639 have been cancelled (or equivalent) on the carboNZero registry.

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Threshold of materiality – excluded emissions do not exceed 5% of the total footprint for organisation and product boundary stated.

Level of assurance – organisation - reasonable assurance, service – limited assurance

Certification status – carboNZero certified “organisation” and “service” covering the taxi vehicle fleet, office administration, and staff air travel.

Certificate number – 2010057J

Valid until – 30 September 2010.

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² AAUs are created by eligible projects for emissions reductions achieved up to the end of 2007.

³ PREs are Projects to Reduce Emissions is a New Zealand government scheme for projects that are eligible under the Joint Implementation initiative of the Kyoto Protocol – see www.mfe.govt.nz.