

## Statement of verification

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### Scope

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP (henceforth referred to as Freshfields) engaged Carbon Footprint Ltd to verify its global Greenhouse Gas (GHG) inventory and other environmental key performance indicators (KPIs) and supporting evidence for the period **1<sup>st</sup> May 2019 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020**. Freshfields is responsible for the information within the GHG inventory. The responsibility of Carbon Footprint Ltd is to provide a conclusion as to whether the statements made are in accordance with the verification criteria: GHG Protocol.

### Methodology

The verification was led by Georgina Whitlock, Senior Environmental Consultant, Carbon Footprint Ltd. Carbon Footprint Ltd completed the review in accordance with the 'ISO 14064 Part 3 (2019): *Greenhouse Gases: Specification with guidance for the verification and validation of greenhouse gas statements*.' The work was undertaken to provide a limited level of assurance with respect to the GHG statements made. Carbon Footprint Ltd believes that the review of the assessment and associated evidence, provides a reasonable and fair basis for our conclusion.

The following data was within the scope of the verification (below shows the post-audit results):

- **Scope 1:** natural gas, company car travel, refrigerant loss and other fuels – **2,261 tCO<sub>2</sub>e**
- **Scope 2:** purchased electricity and district heating – **7,754 tCO<sub>2</sub>e** (location-based) and **3,795 tCO<sub>2</sub>e** (market-based)
- **Scope 3:** business travel (air, rail, taxi and personal car), hotels, electricity transmission & distribution, water supply & treatment, waste and paper – **15,941 tCO<sub>2</sub>e**

<b>Location-based total:</b>	<b>25,956 tCO<sub>2</sub>e</b>	<b>Paper consumption:</b>	<b>303 metric tonnes</b>
<b>Market-based total:</b>	<b>21,996 tCO<sub>2</sub>e</b>	<b>Water usage:</b>	<b>102,226 m<sup>3</sup></b>
<b>Emissions per employee:</b>	<b>4.21 tCO<sub>2</sub>e/FTE<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Waste disposal:</b>	<b>1,252 tonnes</b>

### Assurance opinion

Based on the results of our verification process, Carbon Footprint Ltd provides limited assurance of the GHG emissions statement, **and found no evidence that the GHG emissions statement:**

- is not materially correct and is not a fair representation of the GHG emissions data and information;
- has not been prepared in accordance with the GHG Protocol.

It is our opinion that Freshfields has established appropriate systems for the collection, aggregation and analysis of quantitative data for determination of GHG emissions for the stated period and boundaries.

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<sup>1</sup> Using location-based emissions