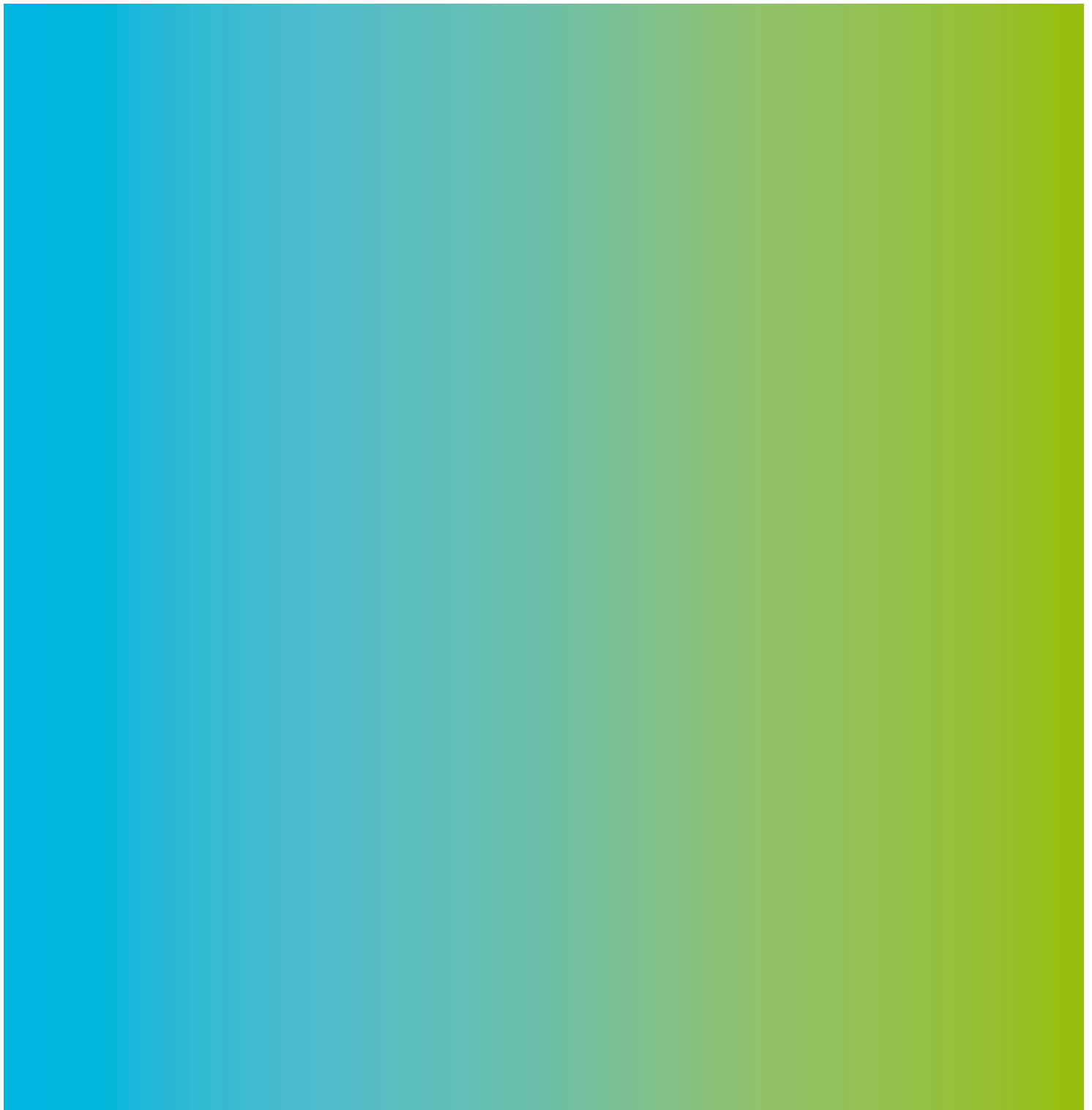


Appendix Q

Greenhouse Gas Inventory

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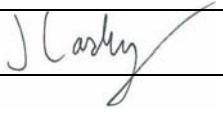
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1.0 Introduction

1.1 Background

The proposed Teralba Sustainable Resource Centre (the facility) will be located at Lots 42, 43, 54 and 53 Racecourse Rd, Teralba, New South Wales.

The proposed recycling centre will store hard waste/construction and demolition materials including concrete, bricks, gravel and crushed rock road base, asphalt, and tiles as well as green waste from parks and horticulture operations and will separate, crush, screen, blend and modify this material to produce products suitable for reuse in council operations and for the wider community.

The operational period is assumed to be 30 years. During operation recyclable/reuseable materials will be transported to the site by contractors, and other external parties. The processed recycled/reuseable materials will be transported from the site using the facilities vehicles.

The construction period will be approximately 3 years. No site office/facilities that use electricity will be installed during the construction stage.

1.2 Purpose and Objectives

An inventory of the estimated Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions associated with the construction and operation of the proposed Teralba Sustainable Resource Centre has been undertaken.

This GHG inventory has been prepared to inform the Environmental Assessment of the facility. The purpose of this inventory is to:

- Identify the sources of GHG emissions for the construction and operational stages
- Quantify the GHG emissions associated with each GHG source
- Present the Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG emissions associated with the construction and operational stages of the proposed facility
- Identify opportunities which may be implemented to reduce the GHG emissions associated with the construction and operation of the facility.

2.0 Scope

This GHG Inventory has been undertaken for the Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions associated with the construction and operation stages of the project. The assumed operational period of the facility is 30 years.

The sources of construction GHG emissions which have been included in this inventory include:

- Fuel used to operate construction equipment onsite
- Fuel used to transport construction/waste materials to/from the site.

The sources of operational GHG emissions which have been included in this inventory include:

- Fuel used by operational equipment onsite
- Fuel used to transport waste/reuseable materials to/from the site
- Purchased electricity used on-site by operational equipment
- Purchased electricity used on-site in the administration office.

Construction and operation GHG emission sources which have been included in this inventory are listed under each scope in the following table.

Table 1: Construction and Operation Emission Sources

Scope 1 – Direct Emissions	Scope 2 – Indirect Emissions
Construction Stage: The use of fuel by construction plant/equipment onsite. The use of fuel for the transportation of construction/waste materials to/from the site.	
Operational Stage: The use of fuel by operational plant/equipment onsite. The use of fuel for the transportation of waste/reuseable materials to/from the site.	Operational Stage: The use of electricity purchased from the grid onsite during operational stage.

3.0 Methodology

This GHG inventory was undertaken in accordance with a methodology based on the general principles outlined in:

- National Greenhouse Accounts (NGA) Factors, Australian Government Department of Climate Change (DCC), June 2009
- Australian Standard (AS ISO 14064.2 – 2006) Greenhouse Gases Part 2: Specification with guidance at the project level for quantification and reporting of greenhouse gas emission reduction and removal enhancements (ISO 14062-2:2006, MOD)
- The Greenhouse Gas Protocol, World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) and World Resources Institute (WRI), 2004.

To calculate the GHG emissions associated with the project, the following steps were undertaken:

- a) The assumptions and data to be used in the assessment were determined
- b) The total quantity of the electricity and fuel consumed was estimated
- c) The quantity of GHG emissions resulting from fuel and electricity use were calculated using the NGA Factors methods and emission factors.

The assumptions and input data (estimated quantities of fuel and electricity used during the construction and operational stages of the proposed project) used in the inventory are contained in Appendix A.

Emissions of GHGs are reported in this assessment as tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (t CO₂-e) as it is the universally accepted measure for calculating the Global Warming Potential (GWP)¹ of different greenhouse gases to derive a single greenhouse gas emissions unit. CO₂ is used as the reference gas with a GWP of 1.

Table 1 presents the GWP of the six GHGs (which are commonly known as the Kyoto GHG's).

Table 2: Global Warming Potential of Greenhouse Gases

Greenhouse Gas	Global Warming Potential (GWP)
Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂)	1
Methane (CH ₄)	21
Nitrous Oxide (N ₂ O)	310
Sulphur Hexafluoride (SF ₆)	23,900
Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)	HFC5 – 1,300-11,700 (depending on the HFC)
Perfluorocarbons* (PFCs)	CF ₄ – 6,500. C ₂ F ₆ – 9,200

*Note: *Varies depending on compound*

GHG emissions are categorised into three different scopes (either scope 1, 2 or 3) in accordance with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and Australian Government GHG accounting/classification systems.

Scope 1 emissions, also called “direct emissions” are emissions which are generated directly by the project, e.g. emissions generated by the use of diesel fuel by construction plant/equipment.

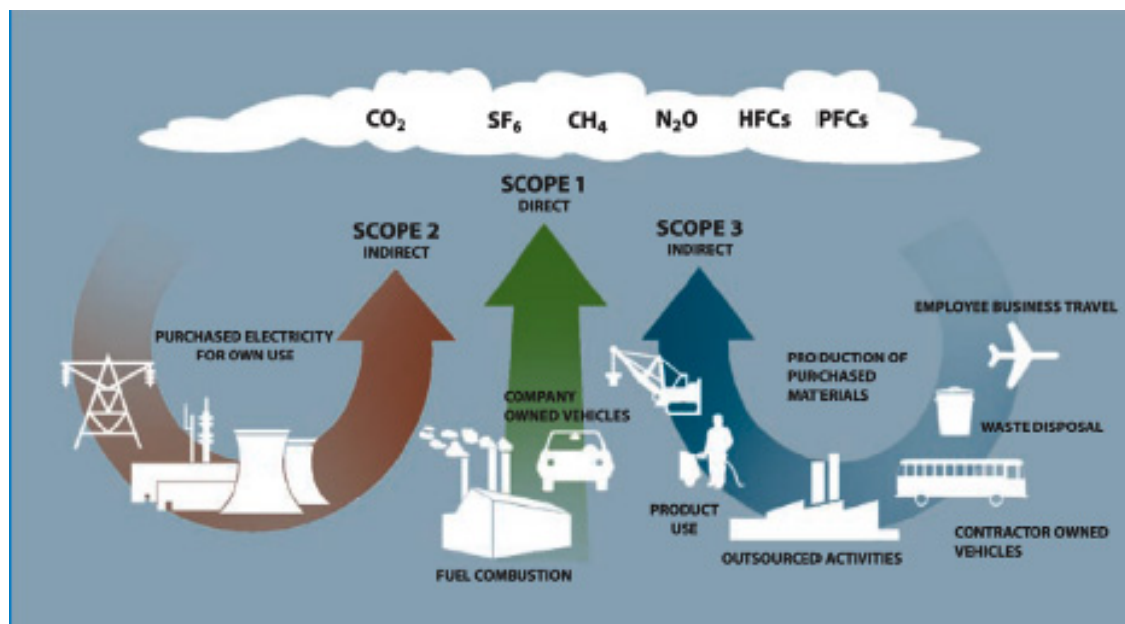
Scope 2 emissions, also referred to as “indirect emissions” are emissions which are generated outside of the project's boundaries to provide energy to the project, e.g. the use of purchased electricity from the grid.

Scope 3 emissions are upstream emissions due to third party supply chains that are in direct relation to the project (e.g. extraction, production and transport of purchased materials and waste disposal offsite).

The GHG emission scopes are illustrated in the following figure.

¹ The GWP of a GHG is the radiative forcing impact contributing to global warming relative to one unit of CO₂.

Figure 1: GHG Emission Scopes (Source: <http://www.yale.edu/sustainability/images/emissions.jpg>)



3.1 GHG Emission Calculation Methods Used

3.1.1 Diesel Fuel

To calculate the scope 1 GHG emissions from the consumption of diesel the following formula² was used:

$$\text{GHG emissions (t CO}_2\text{-e)} = ((Q \times \text{ECF}) / 1000) \times (\text{EF}_{\text{CO}_2} + \text{EF}_{\text{CH}_4} + \text{EF}_{\text{N}_2\text{O}})$$

Where: Q is the quantity of fuel (in kL).

ECF is the relevant energy content factor (in GJ/kL).

EF_{CO_2} is the relevant CO₂ emission factor (in kg CO₂-e/GJ).

EF_{CH_4} is the relevant CH₄ emission factor (in kg CO₂-e/GJ).

$\text{EF}_{\text{N}_2\text{O}}$ is the relevant N₂O emission factor (in kg CO₂-e/GJ).

3.1.2 Electricity

To calculate the scope 2 indirect GHG emissions from the consumption of purchased electricity from the grid the following formula² was used:

$$\text{GHG emissions (t CO}_2\text{-e)} = Q \times (\text{EF}_{\text{for scope 2}} / 1000)$$

Where: Q is the quantity of purchased electricity (in kWh).

$\text{EF}_{\text{for scope 2}}$ is the scope 2 emissions factor for NSW (in kg CO₂-e/kWh).

The emissions factors used to calculate the GHG emissions associated with diesel and electricity use were sourced from the NGA Factors (June 2009) workbook.

Refer to Appendix B for details of the GHG emission calculations undertaken for this GHG Inventory.

² Sourced from the DCC NGA Factors (June 2009).

4.0 Results

The Table below presents the estimated GHG emissions associated with the construction and operation of the proposed Lake Macquarie Recycling Facility.

Table 3: Construction and Operational Greenhouse Gas Emission Results

	GHG Emission Source	Quantity	GHG Emissions (t CO ₂ -e)		
			Scope 1	Scope 2	Total
Construction Stage	Diesel fuel use – Construction equipment	362 kL	976	-	976
	Diesel fuel use – Transport of materials	883 kL	2,382	-	2,382
	Total Construction Emissions		3,358	-	3,358
Operational Stage	Diesel fuel use – Mobile equipment	140 kL/yr	379	-	379
	Diesel fuel use – Stationary equipment	24 kL/yr	63	-	63
	Diesel fuel use – Transport of materials	1,365 kL/yr	3,683	-	3,683
	Electricity use – Equipment	42,000 kWh/yr	-	37	37
	Electricity use – Administration Office	10,000 kWh/yr	-	9	9
	Total Operational Emissions – per annum		4,125	46	4,171
	Total Operational Emissions – for 30 yr period		123,742	1,388	125,130

As shown in the table above:

- The construction of the facility will generate approximately 3,400 tCO₂-e
- The operation of the facility will generate approximately 4,200 tCO₂-e per annum
- The operation of the facility for a 30 year period will generate approximately 125,000 tCO₂-e.

The results show that the majority of GHG emissions are Scope 1 emissions associated with the use of diesel fuel to transport the recyclable/reuseable materials from the site.

The detailed GHG emission calculation results for the electricity and fuel use sources are presented in the detailed results tables in Appendix B.

4.1 Comparison with NSW emissions

NSW's annual GHG emissions³ are approximately 162.7 million t CO₂-e. In NSW 5.3 million t CO₂-e of emissions are associated with the waste sector. The construction of the project equates to approximately 0.002% of NSW's current annual GHG emissions. The operation of the project per annum equates to approximately 0.003% of NSW's current annual GHG emissions.

³ DCC, May 2009, Australia's National Greenhouse Accounts: State and Territory Greenhouse Gas Inventories 2007. http://www.climatechange.gov.au/inventory/2007/pubs/state_territory_inventoryv.pdf

5.0 Opportunities to Reduce GHG Emissions

Opportunities to reduce GHG emissions associated with the construction stage of the facility are as follows.

- Assess the fuel efficiency of the construction plant/equipment prior to selection and where practical use equipment with the highest fuel efficiency or equipment which uses lower GHG intensive fuel such as biofuels (e.g. biodiesel, ethanol).
- Ensure construction equipment used is maintained to reduce energy efficiency losses associated with damaged/unmaintained equipment.
- Consider the distance of construction material suppliers prior to procurement to minimise transport related emissions.
- Plan construction works to avoid double handling of materials.

Opportunities to reduce GHG emissions associated with the operational stage of the facility include:

- Assess the energy efficiency of operational equipment prior to selection and where practical procure the most energy efficient equipment.
- Assess the fuel efficiency of operational equipment and transport vehicles prior to selection and where practical procure the most fuel efficient equipment/vehicles or equipment/vehicles which use lower GHG intensive fuel such as biofuels (e.g. biodiesel, ethanol).
- Ensure operational equipment used is maintained to reduce energy efficiency losses associated with damaged/unmaintained equipment.
- Undertake an Energy Audit of the facility to assess energy use and identify additional potential energy efficiency improvements which could be implemented.
- Increase the use of electricity from sustainable sources. For example, a number of solar panels will be installed at the facility. Increasing the size of the panels would further reduce the GHG emissions associated with the use of electricity purchased from the grid. Alternatively the facility could commit to purchasing a percentage or all of the electricity required to operate the facility from renewable power sources.

References

Australian Standard (AS ISO 14064.2 – 2006) *Greenhouse Gases Part 2: Specification with guidance at the project level for quantification and reporting of greenhouse gas emission reduction and removal enhancements (ISO 14062-2:2006, MOD)*.

DCC, May 2009, Australia's *National Greenhouse Accounts: State and Territory Greenhouse Gas Inventories 2007*. http://www.climatechange.gov.au/inventory/2007/pubs/state_territory_inventoryv.pdf

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World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) and World Resources Institute (WRI), 2004, *The Greenhouse Gas Protocol A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard*.

Appendix A

GHG Inventory Input Data

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Lake Macquarie City Council (LMCC)

Key: Input data in Green cells

Scope 1 emissions, also called “direct emissions” are emissions which are generated directly by the project, e.g. emissions generated by the use of diesel fuel by construction plant/equipment.

Scope 2 emissions, also referred to as “indirect emissions” are emissions which are generated outside of the project’s boundaries to provide energy to the project, e.g. the use of purchased electricity from the grid.

Construction Stage

Note: Construction period is approx. 3 years

Scope 1 Emissions - Construction Fuel Use

Construction Plant

Construction Plant	Fuel Consumption Rate(L/hr) or (L/km) [State units in Ref]	Reference / Assumptions	Fuel Type (e.g. diesel, LPG, gasoline)	Reference / Assumptions	Time Used (hrs) or Distance Travelled (km)[State units in Ref.]	Reference / Assumptions	Total Fuel Used (L)
Site vehicle - Twin Cab Hi Lux 4x4 ute	0.125	Toyota website: L/km	Diesel	LMCC - M. Hale: Strategic Operations Coordinator	30	LMCC: Klm per day/300 days per year	3,375
D6 Dozer	15	AECOM: L/hr	Diesel	LMCC	8	LMCC: hours per day/100 days per year	36,000
Water Cart	15	AECOM: L/hr	Diesel	LMCC	8	LMCC: hours per day/ 275 days per year	99,000
Grader	15	AECOM: L/hr	Diesel	LMCC	8	LMCC: hours per day/ 50 days per year	18,000
Roller	15	AECOM: L/hr	Diesel	LMCC	8	LMCC: hours per day/50 days per year	18,000
Generator - Honda E U 30	50	AECOM: L/week	Diesel	LMCC	4	LMCC: hours per day/ 300 days per year	180,000
Excavator	15	AECOM: L/hr	Diesel	LMCC	8	LMCC: hours per day/20 days per year	7,200
<i>TOTAL FUEL USE (kL) - Construction equipment</i>							362
Haulage of material to site	0.546	AECOM: L/km	Diesel	LMCC	34	LMCC: movements per day/300 days per year	
					45	LMCC: km approx average haul distance	751,842
<i>TOTAL FUEL USE (kL) - Transport of materials</i>							752
<i>TOTAL FUEL USE (kL)</i>							1,113

Scope 2 Emissions - Construction Electricity Use

Construction Site Office/s

No. of site offices	LMCC: nil	Reference / Assumptions
Time operational (months)		
% of electricity sourced from green power		

Other Construction Electricity Use

	Total electricity use over construction period	Reference / Assumptions	% of electricity sourced from green power	Reference / Assumptions
Lighting	LMCC: nil			
Others...				

Operation Stage

Operational period for GHG Inventory	30	Years	LMCC: Minimum 30 years. Based on requirements for future playing fields in the area	Reference / Assumptions
No. of operational days/yr	300	Days	LMCC: Based on 6 day week/50 weeks per year	Reference / Assumptions

Scope 1 Emissions - Operation Fuel Use

Operational Plant - powered by diesel/other fuel

Plant	Fuel Consumption Rate(L/hr) or (L/km)[State units in Ref.]	Reference / Assumptions	Fuel Type (e.g. diesel, LPG, gasoline)	Reference / Assumptions	Time Used (hrs) or Distance Travelled (km)[State units in Ref.]	Reference / Assumptions	Total Fuel Used (L/yr)	Total Fuel Used - Operational Life (L/30yrs)
Site Truck - Hi lux Twin Cab 4x4	0.125	Toyota website: L/km	Diesel	LMCC	30	LMCC: Klm per day/300 days per year	1125	33,750
Loader x 2	15	AECOM: L/hr	Diesel	LMCC	12	LMCC: hours per day/275 days per year	99000	2,970,000
Water Cart	15	AECOM: L/hr	Diesel	LMCC	8	LMCC: hours per day/275 days per year	33000	990,000
Excavator	15	AECOM: L/hr	Diesel	LMCC	8	LMCC: hours per day/60 days per year	7200	216,000
TOTAL FUEL USE (kL) - Mobile equipment							140	4,210
Crusher	15	AECOM: L/hr	Diesel	LMCC	8	LMCC: hours per day/60 days per year	7200	216,000
Screen	15	AECOM: L/hr	Diesel	LMCC	8	LMCC: hours per day/120 days per year	14400	432,000
Tub Grinder	100	AECOM:L/day	Diesel	LMCC	20	LMCC: 20 days per year	2000	60,000
TOTAL FUEL USE (kL) - Stationary equipment							24	708
Delivery Trucks	0.546	AECOM: L/km	Diesel	LMCC	73	LMCC: movements/day, 300 days/year. 45km	538083	16,142,490
Trucks Transporting Material offsite	0.546	AECOM: L/km	Diesel	LMCC	33653	AECOM: Movements/year. 45 km distance. Transport assessment data dated 26 Aug 2009	826854.21	24,805,626
TOTAL FUEL USE (kL) - Transport of materials							1,365	40,948
TOTAL FUEL USE (kL)							1,529	45,866

Scope 2 Emissions - Operational Electricity Use

% of operational electricity sourced from green power	nil	%	LMCC	Reference / Assumptions
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Site Office/ Buildings		Reference / Assumptions
Total electricity use (kWh per year)	10,000	AECOM: kWh/yr
% of electricity sourced from green power	100%	LMCC: based on a 4mw hours per annum system it should be 100%

Operational Plant - powered by electricity

Plant	Electricity Consumption Rate(kWh)	Reference / Assumptions	Time Used (hrs/day)	Reference / Assumptions	Total Electricity Used (kWh)
Asphalt Recycler	15	Assumed	4	LMCC: hours er day/150 days per year	9000
Pugmill	15	Assumed	8	LMCC: hours per day/275 days per year	33000
TOTAL ELECTRICITY USE (kWh/yr)					42,000

Operational Green waste Emissions		Reference / Assumptions
Total volume of input green waste (tonnes/yr)	5000m3	LMCC: per year
Description of green waste (i.e. % easily decomposable materials such as grass/leaves compared to % branches, trunks, etc)	approx 3,000m3 will come in mulched, remainder will be branches and trunks which will be tub ground. Material will be onsold (within 3 months) before decomposition commences	LMCC
Description of Green waste processing	Tub Grinder	LMCC: 20 days per year

Appendix B

GHG Emission Calculations & Results

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Results:

Emission Source	Quantities		Emissions (CO ₂ -e tonnes)		
	Scope 1 (kL)	Scope 2 (kWh)	Scope 1	Scope 2	TOTAL
Construction Stage					3,004
Construction fuel use	1,113		3,004		
Operational Stage (per year)					4,171
Operational fuel use (per year)	1,529		4,125		
Operational electricity use (per year)		52,000		46	
Operational Life (30 yrs)	45,866	1,560,000	123,742	1,388	125,130

Fuel Use - GHG Emission Calculations

Stationary Combustion

The calculation of fuel use emissions was based on the methodology presented in the DCC NGA Factors (June 2009) section 2.1.3 Fuel combustion emissions - liquid fuels (for stationary combustion). Table 3 factors used.

Emissions (CO₂-e tonnes) = Quantity (kL) x Energy Content Factor (GJ/kL) x Emissions Factor (kg CO₂-e/GJ) / 1000

For diesel:

ECF (GJ/kL) of diesel =	38.6
EF CO ₂ (kg CO ₂ -e/GJ) =	69.2
EF CH ₄ (kg CO ₂ -e/GJ) =	0.1
EF N ₂ O (kg CO ₂ -e/GJ) =	0.2

Transport Combustion Emissions

The calculation of fuel use emissions was based on the methodology presented in the DCC NGA Factors (June 2009) section 2.2 Transport Fuel emissions. Table 4 factors used.

Emissions (CO₂-e tonnes) = Quantity (kL) x Energy Content Factor (GJ/kL) x Emissions Factor (kg CO₂-e/GJ) / 1000

For diesel:

ECF (GJ/kL) =	38.6
EF CO ₂ (kg CO ₂ -e/GJ) =	69.2
EF CH ₄ (kg CO ₂ -e/GJ) =	0.2
EF N ₂ O (kg CO ₂ -e/GJ) =	0.5

Construction Fuel Use Emissions - Construction equipment:

Quantity of fuel used (kL) = 362

Results:

Emissions CO ₂ =	966 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Emissions CH ₄ =	3 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Emissions N ₂ O =	7 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Total Emissions =	976 CO₂-e tonnes

Construction Fuel Use Emissions - Transport of materials:

Quantity of fuel used (kL) = 752

Results:

Emissions CO ₂ =	2,008 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Emissions CH ₄ =	6 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Emissions N ₂ O =	15 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Total Emissions =	2,029 CO₂-e tonnes

Operational Fuel Use Emissions - Mobile Equipment

Quantity of fuel used (kL) = 140

Results:

Emissions CO ₂ =	375 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Emissions CH ₄ =	1 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Emissions N ₂ O =	3 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Total Emissions =	379 CO₂-e tonnes

Operational Fuel Use Emissions - Stationary Equipment

Quantity of fuel used (kL) = 24

Results:

Emissions CO ₂ =	63 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Emissions CH ₄ =	0 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Emissions N ₂ O =	0 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Total Emissions =	63 CO₂-e tonnes

Operational Fuel Use Emissions - Transport of materials

Quantity of fuel used (kL) = 1,365

Results:

Emissions CO ₂ =	3,646 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Emissions CH ₄ =	11 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Emissions N ₂ O =	26 CO ₂ -e tonnes
Total Emissions =	3,683 CO₂-e tonnes

Electricity Use - GHG Emission Calculations

The calculation of scope 2 electricity use emissions was based on the methodology presented in the DCC NGA Factors (June 2009) section 2.3 Indirect emissions from consumption of purchased electricity. Table 5 factors used.

Emissions (CO₂-e tonnes)= Quantity (kWh)x scope 2 Emissions Factor (kg CO₂-e per kilowatt hour) /1000

Scope 2 Emissions Factor for NSW = 0.89 kg CO₂-e per kilowatt hour

Operational Electricity Use Emissions - Equipment

Quantity of electricity used (kWh) = 42,000

Results:

Total Emissions = 37 CO₂-e tonnes

Operational Electricity Use Emissions - Administration building

Quantity of electricity used (kWh) = 10,000

Results:

Total Emissions = 9 CO₂-e tonnes