

Carbon Reduction Plan For NORR USA

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Our Commitment

NORR USA is committed to achieving Net Zero emissions by 2040.

What does Net Zero mean in practice?

To achieve Net Zero, we will be aiming to reduce emissions in line with the latest science-based targets (SBTs). SBTs are greenhouse gas reduction goals set by organisations, they are defined as "science-based" when they align with the scale of reductions required to limit global temperature increases to 1.5°C compared to pre-industrial temperatures. To achieve Net Zero under this scenario, we will need to reduce our absolute emissions by 90% from our baseline year.

SBTi recommends that organisations commit to near-term targets (that cover a minimum of 5 years/maximum of 10 years from the baseline year), as well as long-term targets.

Our near-term targets:

- Reduce scope 1 and 2 emissions to zero by 2030.
- To procure 80% renewable electricity by 2028 and 100% by 2030.
- Reduce Scope 3 emissions by 42% by 2030.

Our long-term targets:

- Reduce our total market-based emissions (scope 1, 2 and 3) by at least 90% by 2040.
- Neutralise any residual emissions using verified carbon offsets.

<u>Scope 1 emissions:</u> direct greenhouse gas emissions that occur from sources owned or controlled by a company, such as emissions from the combustion of fuels in on-site boilers, furnaces, or vehicles.

<u>Scope 2 emissions:</u> indirect greenhouse gas emissions that result from the generation of purchased electricity, steam or other forms of energy consumed by a company.

<u>Scope 3 emissions:</u> all other indirect greenhouse gas emissions that occur in an organisation's value chain, including emissions from upstream and downstream activities.

Our Carbon Footprint

Baseline Emissions Footprint

Baseline emissions are a record of the greenhouse gases that have been produced in the past and were produced prior to the introduction of any strategies to reduce emissions. Baseline emissions are the reference point against which emissions reduction can be measured. We have chosen to set our baseline year as January - December 2021.

Baseline Year: 2021

Additional details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations:

Measurement periods that include 2020 – 2022 emissions will be impacted by COVID-19. This will be seen as a temporarily reduced emission and not something the business is able to continue, as a trend, or repeat. We have chosen to measure our emissions despite the Impact to ensure we continue Improving and monitoring data for future reporting years.

Emissions	Total (tonnes CO₂e)
Scope 1	10.244
Scope 2*	Market-based: 1482.296
Scope 3 including: - Purchased Goods & Services - Capital Goods - Fuel & Energy Related Services - Business Travel - Transportation & Distribution (Upstream) - Employee Commuting & Homeworking - Operational Waste & Water	1437.154
Total Emissions*	Market-based: 2929.694

Our total emissions equate to a Carbon Intensity Metric of 10.5 tCO₂e per full-time employee equivalent (FTE) based on 280 FTEs during the baseline period (using market-based emissions)

Previous Emissions Reporting

Current Reporting Year: January - December 2023			
Emissions	Total (tonnes CO₂e)		
Scope 1	0.4		
Scope 2*	Market-based: 73.1 Location-based: 39.6		
Scope 3 including: - Purchased Goods & Services - Capital Goods - Fuel & Energy Related Services - Business Travel - Transportation & Distribution (Upstream) - Employee Commuting & Homeworking - Operational Waste & Water	2093.2		
Total Emissions*	Market-based: 2166.6 Location-based: 2133.1		

Our total emissions equate to a Carbon Intensity Metric of $9.1~\text{tCO}_2\text{e}$ per full-time employee equivalent (FTE) based on 238 FTEs and $541.7~\text{tCO}_2\text{e}$ per site for 4 sites during the measurement period (using market-based emissions).

^{*}Purchased electricity can be measured in two ways. A location-based method reflects the average emissions intensity of grids on which energy consumption occurs (using mostly grid-average emission factor data). A market-based method reflects emissions from electricity that companies have purposefully chosen (or their lack of choice). A market-based method therefore takes into account the purchase of electricity via a verified renewable energy tariff. We have chosen to base our Net Zero target on a market-based methodology.

Current Emissions Reporting

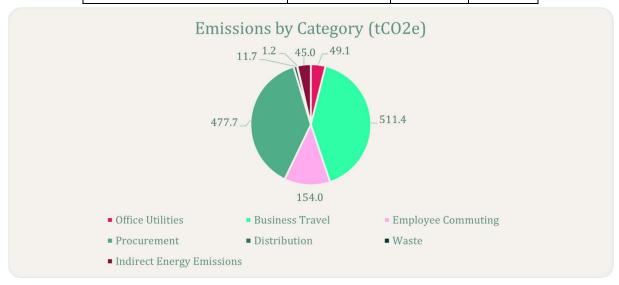
Current Reporting Year: January - December 2024			
Emissions	Total (tonnes CO₂e)		
Scope 1	0		
Scope 2*	Market-based: 49.1 Location-based: 49.1		
Scope 3 including: - Purchased Goods & Services - Capital Goods - Fuel & Energy Related Services - Business Travel - Transportation & Distribution (Upstream) - Employee Commuting & Homeworking - Operational Waste & Water	1201		
Total Emissions*	Market-based: 1250.1 Location-based: 1250.1		

Our total emissions equate to a Carbon Intensity Metric of $5.1~\text{tCO}_2\text{e}$ per full-time employee equivalent (FTE) based on 246 FTEs and 312.5 tCO₂e per site for 4 sites during the measurement period (using market-based emissions).

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Carbon Emissions Breakdown

Measurement Results				
By Scope	kg	tonnes	% of total	
Scope 1	0.0	0.0	0	
Scope 2 (Location-based)	49,087.6	49.1	-	
Scope 2 (Market-based)	49,087.6	49.1	4	
Scope 3	1,201,011.2	1,201.0	96	
By Source				
Direct	0.0	0.0	0	
Upstream	1,250,098.8	1,250.1	100	
Downstream	0.0	0.0	0	
By Category				
Office Utilities	49,087.6	49.1	4	
Company Cars	0.0	0.0	0	
Business Travel	511,393.0	511.4	41	
Employee Commuting	153,976.7	154.0	12	
Procurement	477,691.7	477.7	38	
Distribution	11,717.9	11.7	1	
Waste	1,187.3	1.2	0	
Indirect Energy Emissions	45,044.7	45.0	4	
Downstream Product Emissions	0.0	0.0	0	
Assets & Investments	0.0	0.0	0	
Total				
Location-based	1,250,098.8	1,250.1	-	
Market-based	1,250,098.8	1,250.1	-	



Carbon Reduction

Our Net Zero targets

NORR USA is committed to achieving Net Zero by 2040. To achieve Net Zero under this scenario, we will need to reduce our absolute emissions by 90% from our baseline year. To keep us on track, we have also set the following near-term targets to 2030.

Our near-term targets:

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Completed Carbon Reduction Initiatives

The following emissions management measures and projects have been completed or implemented.

Activity	Completion Date	Scope
Commit to measuring carbon footprint of business activities year on year to gain an understanding of pinch points and regularly be making efficient and direct improvements to reduce these emissions. Year 1 appointed Positive Planet to support with calculating baseline carbon footprint and reduction recommendations.	2021	1,2,3
Created a Green Team to lead initiatives. This team has been made up of members from different departments to support the roll out of initiatives and management of data, this includes sharing and collaborating throughout the organisation.	2021	1,2,3
NORR recognized as a "Bronze" level Carbon Literate Organization (CLO) in March 2025 by the Manchester, UK based Carbon Literacy Project	2025	All

NORR will initiate Carbon Literacy Training in December of each calendar year to increase our number of trained staff - targeting 2.5%, annual growth	Ongoing	Employee Commuting Business Travel
NORR signed the MEP2040 Commitment and A&D Materials Pledge in 2025, rounding out its "commitments" to decarbonizing its project portfolio by aligning all technical staff underneath an annual tracking, reduction and reporting structure, aligned with the AIA2030 and SE2050 Commitments	Ongoing	Procurement
In 2025, NORR will initiate a "Sustainability Orientation" for all new hires, quarterly, which will engage staff around how their roles/responsibilities are impacted by and contributing towards our corporate decarbonization efforts	2025	Scope 3
In 2026, NORR will broaden its Scope 3 GHG emissions inquiries by targeting its top 20 international external vendors	2026	Procurement
 In conjunction with its hybrid work policy, NORR/Cion offices are continuing to move into better managed properties, as well as downsizing its physical spaces – while reducing waste and emissions: NORR Chicago downsized it's workplace (6973 ft²) from a previous workplace (11,122 ft²) while reusing existing furniture and furnishings (US Plan). NORR Sacramento downsized it's workplace (2819 ft²) from a previous workplace (approx. 6500 ft²), while reusing existing furniture and furnishings and incorporating our bespoke internal sustainability guidelines on the fit-out 	2025	Scope 1 & 2

Future Carbon Reduction Plans

We are committing to action the following emissions management measures and projects in line with our Net Zero targets.

Reduction Plans – Scope 1 & Scope 2				
Activity No.	Activity	Target Date	% Reduction Target	Category
1	Ask the facilities management to consider low-cost options such as reducing the boiler temperature and adding heat & solar control reflective window sheets. Consider planning for larger cost management (where appropriate) such as an efficient boiler system. Consider moving to premises without gas heating for 100% reduction is stationary combustion emissions.	2026	6%	Stationary Combustion
2	Encourage the facilities management company at the office to procure a 100% renewable electricity tariff. This change will reduce market-based emissions (from chosen tariff) from the office (common areas) to 0 tCO2e.	2026	100% (market- based)	Purchased Electricity
3	Implement energy efficiency measures to reduce the overall amount of electricity consumed at sites. Optimise operational procedures and implement energy management systems (such as ISO 14001). Examples of reduction measures include: - upgrading lighting and introducing more sensor lighting, and aligning sensor times to usage patterns (eg 3 minutes for corridors, 20 minutes for working spaces) - installing timers on sockets/equipment - reviewing and renewing inefficient equipment (when at end of life), and	2026	10% (location- based)	Purchased Electricity

actively consider the energy efficiency of equipment when new purchases are required (eg laptops, fridges, dishwashers)		
Invite colleagues from different sites to openly explore challenges and barriers to collaboratively find solutions for reduction.		

Based upon the above completed and planned initiatives, it is projected that Scope 1 & 2 carbon emissions will decrease to **0 tCO₂e** by 2030.

We also aim to implement the further initiatives below to reduce Scope 3 emissions:

Reduction	Reduction Plans – Scope 3					
Activity No.	Activity	Target Date	% Reduction Target	Category		
1	Consider training and engagement for the Green Team, leadership, and the wider employee base. Including and not limited to, creating spaces for environmental positive conversations (internal comms, newsletters, slack, Teams etc), certified Carbon Literacy Training for all applicable to roll out to further workforce and share with externals where appropriate. On average, certified learners reduce their carbon footprints by 5-15%, of which ~50% are work-related.	Ongoing	2.5 - 7.5%	Commuting & Home Working Business Travel		
2	As procurement is our largest category of emissions, addressing this category is imperative to our reduction journey. We aim to implement a Sustainable Procurement Policy. Encourage suppliers to adopt sustainable practices and improve their own carbon footprint through supplier engagement, procurement policies and contracts, and monitoring reporting mechanisms. Commit to a Sustainability Audit or Survey to request further information regarding credentials – Plan to send these to the top 50	2025 - 2028	20%	Purchased Goods & Services		

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	suppliers by spend. This data collection will support reduction journey by gathering important data for year two measurement & encourage supply chain integration towards Net Zero. Complete this audit within two phases: 1. Identify suppliers for engagement 2. Formulate and collect data (survey/scoring)			
	Once completed prioritise suppliers with lower carbon footprints as part of the above phased approach. This may also involve purchasing second hand/refurbished (furniture, IT equipment) and extending the lifespan of purchased items. Develop and monitor procurement policy for all new suppliers to align to Net Zero goals.			
3	Review logistics partners/couriers and utilise the above Sustainable Procurement Policy. Work with providers to gather their emissions data, and/or switch to lower-carbon providers. Prioritise purchasing from local suppliers to limit delivery mileage.	2025 - 2028	20%	Upstream Distribution Downstream Distribution
4	Develop and implement a Sustainable Travel Policy to support environmental impact of choices when travelling, staying in hotels and commuting. The priorities within this policy will support active travel and low emission travel options where appropriate. Monitor and consider alternatives to air-based travel as a priority and commit to offering support to workforce with options for active travel schemes, such as bike to work or car sharing opportunities. Utilise the emissions travel hierarchy: - Digital communication - Walking and cycling - Public and shared transport - EV's and car sharing/clubs - ICE vehicles and car sharing/clubs - Air travel	2025 - 2028	15%	Business Travel Commuting

	Consider creative ways to engage and support the workforce to influence change. Examples include setting an internal organisation carbon credit scheme (limit that to a number of tCO ₂ e per year), extra holiday days for low emission travel choice, bonuses, subsidised travel, equal mileage payments for diesel/petrol/EVs/cycling.			
5	We aim to liaise with key suppliers to see whether they can ship with the minimal amount of packaging needed to secure the product. We aim to reassess further steps to engage our employees, clients and customers to decarbonise alongside us and focus on reducing waste based on our procurement policies and structure out actionable steps.	2025 - 2028	25%	Waste

Emissions Reduction Progress

As part of our ongoing commitment to achieving Net Zero, we are pleased to report a 42.3% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions, decreasing from 2166.6 tCO₂e (2023) to 1250.1 tCO₂e (2024) over the reporting period.

These actions are part of a broader decarbonisation strategy aligned with Net Zero best practice, and demonstrate that targeted efforts can lead to meaningful, measurable progress. This substantial decrease reflects the effectiveness of our carbon reduction measures to date, including:

- The implementation of energy efficiency improvements across operations
- The transition to lower-emission suppliers and materials
- Enhanced monitoring and management of resource use
- Data-informed decision making to prioritise high-impact interventions.

While this milestone represents a significant achievement, we recognise that continued focus is required to address residual emissions and ensure long-term climate integrity. We will continue to prioritise absolute emissions reductions wherever possible, alongside the exploration of high-quality carbon removals and offsetting as appropriate, in line with evolving guidance and science-based pathways. This reduction underscores the organisation's commitment to transparent reporting and continuous improvement as we work toward our Net Zero target.

Declaration and Sign Off

Emissions have been reported and recorded in accordance with the published reporting standard for Carbon Reduction Plans and the GHG Reporting Protocol corporate standard¹ and uses the appropriate Government emission conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting².

This Carbon Management Plan has been reviewed and approved by NORR USA Executive Team.

Signed on behalf of NORR USA:

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https://ghgprotocol.org/corporate-standard

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/government-conversion-factors-for-company-reporting