

# **Verification Statement**

### Background

Optera was engaged by Mitie Group PLC ("Mitie") to provide independent verification on the accuracy of selected information included in Mitie's FY 2022 Social Value Metrics (SVM) datasets and express a conclusion as to whether the assertions contained in the inventory is presented fairly.

Per contractual agreement, Mitie's FY 2022 Social Value Metrics (SVM) Verification Statement were prepared by Optera solely for Mitie's benefit. The information contained therein, its presentation and inclusion in corporate sustainability reports are the sole responsibility of Mitie.

#### **Boundary and Scope**

Optera examined Mitie's FY 2022 Social Value Metrics (SVM) assertion, as follows:

People	Real Living Wage
	Apprenticeships
	Women on MLT
	R & E Diverse on MLT
Community	Health & Wellbeing
	Volunteering
	Military Recruitment
Responsible Supply Chain	% of Spend on SMF
	% of Spend on SME
	Spend on VCSE's
Environment	• EV's
	CO2e Emissions (tons)
	Waste to Landfill (tons)

The verification was conducted on 100 percent of Mitie's reported SVM.

#### **Period Covered**

Mitie's GHG assertion covers the 2022 fiscal year: 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023.

#### **Data Verified**

The final quantities verified were presented in SVRB Dashboard March 2023, as follows:



em	Quantity
People	
Real Living Wage	100%
Apprenticeships	3.81%
Women on MLT	28%
R & E Diverse on MLT	10%
Community	
Health & Wellbeing	26.152K
Volunteering	19.298K
Military Recruitment	3.14%
Responsible Supply Chain	
% Of Spend on SMF	40.44%
% Of Spend on SME	45.68%
Spend on VCSE's	£2.29M
Environment	
Number of EV's	45%
CO2e Emissions (tons)	21.11K
Waste to Landfill (tons)	6.44

## Methodology

The verification has been conducted to achieve a *limited level of assurance* which was appropriate for this project.

As part of the independent assessment Optera performed the following tasks:

- Examination of the FY 2022 SVM data.
- Examination of underlying calculations to confirm the formula references and accumulation of data, and re-performance of a sample of the calculations.
- Evaluation of potential errors, omissions or misrepresentations resulting from data input, transformation and/or output processes; and
- Collection of testimonial evidence (i.e. interviews), data review and sampling to provide an understanding of management/operational and control procedures to be implemented by the responsible party to ensure the quality, integrity and security of the SVM information.

#### **Findings**

It is Optera's opinion that based on the verification methodology and activities described above, there is no evidence that Mitie's FY 2022 SVM assertions are not:

- Correct at a *limited* level of assurance.
- Meets the minimum level of accuracy of at least 95 percent.
- Accurate, materially correct, and a fair representation of SVM data and information



## Statement of Independence, Impartiality and Competence

Optera is an independently owned and operated consulting and software services company that specializes in technical analysis and innovation for efficiency and renewable resources. Optera has considerable experience in the development, reporting and verification of GHG emissions information for industrial, utility, municipal and corporate clients. Optera's verification team did not contribute to the compilation of Mitie's FY 2022 SVM and did not work on the SVM beyond what is required of this assignment. Optera has conducted this verification independently, and there has been no conflict of interest.

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