

Siemens retains Carbon Trust Standard in recognition for on-going commitment to carbon reductions

Siemens has become one of five companies in its sector to retain the coveted Carbon Trust Standard. The award recognises the work Siemens has undertaken to reduce its carbon footprint.

Under the Energy Efficiency Programme (EEP), Siemens invested £3 million in the UK and has realised annual savings in excess of £800,000. This included work such as heat recovery, new direct drive fans, new building management systems (BMS), voltage optimisation, zone controls on lighting and heating, new boilers, new shunt units, new lighting and heat pumps.

Electric vehicles are also being rolled out to suitable sites. For example the Nissan Leaf is being used as a pool car in the Lincoln area to facilitate low carbon travel between the various sites.

“I’m delighted that Siemens in the UK has been officially awarded the Carbon Trust Standard which independently proves we have taken real action on climate change by reducing our carbon emissions,” says Roland Aurich, Chief Executive of Siemens plc.

“This is something we can really celebrate. It is great recognition for our achievements in carbon reduction and demonstrates our commitment to reducing carbon emissions year on year. It is something that we can all be proud to tell all our customers and stakeholders as the Carbon Trust Standard adds credibility to our long term commitment to climate protection.”

Head of Sustainability for Siemens Real Estate, Graham Jones, said: "The Carbon Trust Standard shows that as a company we have reduced our carbon emissions in absolute terms despite growing our business over the past 2 years. We have demonstrated that we have robust procedures in place to manage and accurately report on our Carbon emissions such as energy use, fleet use, business mileage, air travel, refrigerants etc. Siemens Real Estate is committed to helping all our Siemens businesses reduce carbon in our role as trusted partner."

Darran Messeem, Managing Director of Certification at the Carbon Trust, commented: "The Carbon Trust is encouraged to see a company as great as Siemens achieving such high levels of financial saving as a result of taking action on carbon reduction with the Carbon Trust Standard. Siemens has provided clear evidence that opportunity exists for those companies putting carbon reduction at the heart of their business strategies."

The Carbon Trust Standard encourages best practice in carbon measurement, management and reduction by businesses and public sector organisations. It is designed to provide a robust, objective and consistent methodology for assessing corporate carbon performance, and the assessment is undertaken by independent third party assessors.

The Standard was developed through consultation with leading organisations from the private and public sector, and its methodology is built on the Greenhouse Gas Protocol (an international standard for measuring organisational CO2 emission) and ISO 14064-1 principles.

As well as taking action on direct emissions, a subsidiary of Siemens plc, Siemens Financial Services has also been working in partnership with the Carbon Trust to help other businesses access energy savings. Siemens Financial Services and the Carbon Trust are together making available £550 million in their joint Energy Efficiency Financing scheme, providing funding for businesses to invest in new

energy efficiency equipment. This allows organisations to make savings on their energy bills which can often entirely offset the cost of the finance payments, and in some cases make the investment cash positive from day one.

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About Siemens in the UK

Siemens was established in the United Kingdom 169 years ago and now employs 12,972 people in the UK. Last year's revenues were £4.4 billion*. As a leading global engineering and technology services company, Siemens provides innovative solutions to help tackle the world's major challenges, across the key sectors of energy, industry, infrastructure & cities and healthcare. Siemens has offices and factories throughout the UK, with its headquarters in Frimley, Surrey. The company's global headquarters is in Munich, Germany. For more information, visit www.siemens.co.uk

* Data includes intercompany revenue. Data may not be comparable with revenue reported in annual or interim reports.

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The Carbon Trust Standard

The Carbon Trust Standard verifies the carbon footprint and emission reduction of organisations. It was developed in consultation with the private and public sector and is informed by the Carbon Trust's wealth of experience working with UK businesses to implement carbon management strategies and international standards, such as the Greenhouse Gas Protocol.

- Over 600 organisations have achieved the Carbon Trust Standard since it was launched in June 2008.
- Collectively Carbon Trust Standard holders have cut their emissions by over 3.6m tonnes of CO₂ and equivalent (CO₂e) greenhouse gases, as well as cutting their gas, electricity and fuel costs by over £165m.
- To date, the total carbon footprint certified by the Carbon Trust Standard is over 43 million tonnes of CO₂e; equivalent to over 18% of the total carbon footprint of UK businesses and transport.

All businesses and organisations, both in the UK and internationally, are eligible to apply for the Carbon Trust Standard including FTSEs, mid-caps, SMEs and public sector organisations.

Organisations that are awarded the Carbon Trust Standard hold it for a two year period and to maintain the certification they must reapply and demonstrate that they have continued to make year-on-year reductions in their carbon emissions.

For further information or interviews on the Carbon Trust Standard, please contact the Carbon Trust press office on 020 7170 7050 or press@carbontrust.com. Alternatively visit www.carbontrust.com.

About the Carbon Trust

The Carbon Trust is an independent company with a mission to accelerate the move to a low carbon economy.

- We advise businesses, government and the public sector on their opportunities in a sustainable, low carbon world
- We measure and certify the environmental footprint of organisations, products and services
- We help develop and deploy low carbon technologies and solutions, from energy efficiency to renewable power.