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Statement of Carbon Neutrality

Checkmate is the FIRST and ONLY Carbon Neutral new home warranty provider.

Working with Carbon Accountable we have identified the environmental impact our business has by monitoring our carbon emissions and have achieved the British Standards Institute PAS2060 certification for carbon neutrality.

We have put plans in place to avoid, reduce, and offset unavoidable future carbon emissions. The first step was to measure our carbon footprint for 2010. The result was that in total, our business was responsible for 67.86 tonnes of carbon emissions (67.86 tCO₂e) for the calendar year of 2010.

We have offset our carbon emissions for 2010 through a validated Voluntary Carbon Standard (VCS) project by purchasing and retiring 74 offset credits. This has been rounded up by 10%, which is normal, to account for leakages such as extra emissions at source from our energy suppliers and also for times when we may be delayed during our travel requirements.

Full details of the project and our commitment to help tackle climate change can be found here: <http://mc.markit.com/br-reg/public/index.jsp?q=Checkmate&s=cr>

Our objective is to look at areas within our business where we can reduce our environmental impact by reducing our emissions. We have identified ways in which we can avoid emissions in the first place; these include not using unnecessary lighting and switching off computers overnight and when not in use for longer periods. We then look at ways in which we can further reduce our emissions such as webinar presentations and virtual meetings / conference calls. In accepting that we have unavoidable emissions we will continue to measure and offset these through VCS project offset credits. Investing in such projects does make a difference to less fortunate communities around the world and will inevitably help provide a longer term solution, helping us all enjoy a lower-carbon economy in the future.

We have set ourselves a target to reduce our emissions by 10% on 2010 levels during 2012. Our business started on 1st March 2010 so a rounded-up calculation brings our annualised emissions to circa 81 tCO₂e. With 9 regional offices we have a starting point of 9 tCO₂e per office as a baseline. We will publish the results of our progress within the Green section of our website where you can also download our certificate of carbon neutrality.

Checkmate is committed to helping all of our clients experience a sustainable and environmentally friendly relationship with us.

For further details please visit our website www.checkmate.uk.com

Regards

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