Flinders Port Holdings (‘FPH’) acknowledges the wide-reaching effects of climate change and the responsibility we have to reduce our carbon emissions and to maintain and create resilient port assets and services.

We play a crucial role in South Australia’s economy including managing critical infrastructure and facilitating the movement of the goods needed to support people’s daily lives.

Sustainability is at the core of our business and is essential to creating value. That means acting responsibly to achieve sustainable outcomes, including sustainability in our decision-making processes and taking action on significant environment and societal matters such as climate change.

FPH’s vision and mission is to connect South Australia to the world through the provision of port infrastructure, stevedoring and logistics services that exceed the expectations of our shareholders, customers, people and communities. We believe there are unique challenges for a dynamic and growing business operating within and servicing the transport, logistics, resources, agriculture and energy sectors. We are committed to developing and implementing sustainable growth strategies and to playing a key role in facilitating decarbonisation across our value chain.

In 2021, Flinders Port Holdings committed to the UN Global Compact corporate responsibility initiative and its principles in the areas of climate, decarbonisation, environmental protection, human rights and diversity.
Climate change will impact our assets, communities, environment and customers and will require strong collaboration and partnerships to deliver solutions. The transition to a zero carbon future also presents major opportunities to enhance our business and the value it creates.

FPH will be affected to varying degrees by physical risks, such as sea level rise, hotter conditions and more intense weather events which will impact our infrastructure and services. Similarly, our customers may experience new conditions which will impact the cargo we move. Our surrounding natural environment will see changes that we will need to take into consideration in our planning and operations. Likewise we need to be conscious of our role in the preservation and enhancement of natural capital. The people we employ and our communities will rely on us to provide safe work conditions and support a thriving local economy.

During the transition to a net zero carbon future, FPH and our customers will be impacted by changes in the regulatory environment, including carbon pricing in Australia and overseas.

We are also aware of the changing requirements of our communities, customers and key stakeholders regarding our sustainability and environment performance.

During the transition to net zero, we believe there are significant opportunities, for example in terms of resource efficiency, developing markets (such as the export of renewable energy) and energy sourcing. We also aspire to become a smart port – one that uses available tools and technologies to improve safety and financial performance, drive economic competitiveness and deliver environmental and social sustainability.

Our goals

- Continue to provide safe, reliable and efficient services
- Create value through applying sustainable business principles
- Ensure the ongoing resilience of our assets
- Meet our legal obligations and duty of care in managing the risks of climate change
- Support projects that assist in achieving the South Australian Government’s Climate Action Plan 2021-2025 to help build a strong, climate smart economy, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and support South Australia to adapt to a changing climate
- Explore opportunities, including renewable energy, alternative and transition fuels
- Embrace digitalisation, innovation and technology to become a smart port
- Embed climate considerations into all of our decision-making
- Reduce our carbon intensity over time
- Collaborate with others and form partnerships to deliver on these commitments
To reach net zero carbon emissions by 2050, we will develop an emissions reduction strategy consistent with the Paris Agreement goal of no more than 2°C of warming above pre-industrial levels. We will explore alternative energy and fuel sources for our operations and seek to adopt lower or zero carbon plant, equipment, vehicles and vessels, as the technology and business case permits. As our emissions reduction strategy is developed, we will commit to interim reduction targets on the road to net zero across our operations and value chain.

Our first climate change adaptation strategy was developed in 2021. This strategy is based on assessments of the risks and opportunities of climate change, in accordance with the TCFD and a high emissions scenario. The actions that form part of this strategy will set the foundations for future adaptation actions and or potential pathways for our critical assets, including each of our ports, as well as the services we offer. Through this strategy, and our ongoing asset management processes, we will ensure the resilience of our assets and the ongoing reliability of our services over time.

Our commitments

- Net zero carbon emissions associated with our operations by 2050 – in line with the Paris Agreement
- Establishing interim science-based carbon targets for operational (scopes 1 and 2) and value chain (scope 3) emissions
- Continually adapting our physical assets and operations to the changing climate through considered and collaborative means
- Reporting in accordance with the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)
- Being an active member of the United Nations Global Compact and, through this initiative, contributing to and reporting our progress towards Sustainable Development Goal 13 Climate Action.

Our actions

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Our governance

Sustainability & Environment is a strategic foundation of FPH’s Business Plan and underpins the delivery of our mission and vision.

Our overarching approach to climate change is set out in FPH’s Sustainability Policy, Sustainability Plan and Climate Change Adaptation Strategy.

FPH has a Sustainability Steering Committee, reporting to the Group Leadership Team, responsible for monitoring the changing environment and ensuring the implementation of the Sustainability Plan, including its incumbent climate change related strategies.

The Sustainability Working Group is responsible for performing and monitoring actions.

We will continue to monitor progress against our commitments regularly and report publicly at least