Carbon Disclosure Project – Climate Change

TC Transcontinental 2016 response



Module: Introduction

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CC0.1

Introduction

Please give a general description and introduction to your organization.

Transcontinental Inc. (TSX: TCL.A TCL.B), known as TC Transcontinental, has close to 8,000 employees in Canada and the United States, and revenues of C\$2.0 billion in 2015. Canada's largest printer with operations in print and digital media, flexible packaging and publishing, TC Transcontinental's mission is to create products and services that allow businesses to attract, reach and retain their target customers.

Respect, teamwork, performance and innovation are strong values held by the Corporation and its commitment to all stakeholders is to pursue its business and philanthropic activities in a responsible manner.

TC Transcontinental has set up an innovative operating structure so that we can meet the individual needs of our major customer categories. This structure gives TC Transcontinental the best opportunity to help retailers, manufacturers, marketers, publishers and commercial clients reach and keep their customers more effectively. The company's operations are grouped into two sectors: TC Media and TC Transcontinental Printing and Packaging.

- 1) TC Media is a leading provider of proximity media solutions in Canada, employing 3,000 people. TC Media reaches Canadian consumers through a wide range of print and digital publishing products in French and English: newspapers, educational books, trade publications, retail promotional content, mass and personalized marketing, mobile and interactive applications and geotargeted door-to-door and digital distribution services.
- 2) Founded in 1976, TC Transcontinental has grown steadily over the years to become the largest printer in Canada and the third largest in North America. In the last few years, we have invested heavily in our printing network to ensure we provide the latest in available technology. Our services include a wide array of options for our customers, including premedia, printing and distribution solutions:
- Book printing
- Magazine printing
- Newspaper printing
- Retail flyer printing
- Catalogue printing
- Folding-carton packaging product printing
- Marketing product and direct mail printing
- In-store marketing printing
- Fulfillment services
- Distribution services

Premedia services

Our state-of-the-art network of printing facilities enables us to serve local, national and international customers. We serve key audiences, including book, magazine and newspaper publishers, as well as retailers, cataloguers, marketers and advertising agencies. In total, more than 2,000 clients across North America trust TC Transcontinental Printing with their printing needs – and we serve customers from a myriad of industries, including financial, public service, government, pharmaceutical, telecommunication and non-profit organizations, and many more.

Print, combined with other platforms, is the primary driver of marketing communications today. Under the TC Transcontinental Printing banner, we help customers maximize results by smartly incorporating print with media, digital, interactive and mobile, ensuring that publishers and marketers deliver their content through the right media at the right time. We constantly strengthen our print and digital assets in Canada with the singular goal of helping our customers better attract, acquire and retain their target clients through our unique, client-focused offering which combines mass and tailored solutions.

Drawing on its solid manufacturing experience, TC Transcontinental created a new division in 2014, TC Transcontinental Packaging, which specializes in the production of flexible packaging. As the spearhead for this new area of growth, TC Transcontinental acquired Capri Packaging, located in Clinton, Missouri and Ultra Flex Packaging, located in Brooklyn, USA, and integrated it with the premedia personnel and expertise of Transcontinental Optium.

CC0.2

Reporting Year

Please state the start and end date of the year for which you are reporting data.

The current reporting year is the latest/most recent 12-month period for which data is reported. Enter the dates of this year first.

We request data for more than one reporting period for some emission accounting questions. Please provide data for the three years prior to the current reporting year if you have not provided this information before, or if this is the first time you have answered a CDP information request. (This does not apply if you have been offered and selected the option of answering the shorter questionnaire). If you are going to provide additional years of data, please give the dates of those reporting periods here. Work backwards from the most recent reporting year.

Please enter dates in following format: day(DD)/month(MM)/year(YYYY) (i.e. 31/01/2001).

Enter Periods that will be disclosed

Sat 01 Nov 2014 - Sat 31 Oct 2015

CC0.3

Country list configuration

Please select the countries for which you will be supplying data. If you are responding to the Electric Utilities module, this selection will be carried forward to assist you in completing your response.

Select country

Canada

United States of America

CC0.4

Currency selection

Please select the currency in which you would like to submit your response. All financial information contained in the response should be in this currency.

CAD (\$)

CC0.6

Modules

As part of the request for information on behalf of investors, electric utilities, companies with electric utility activities or assets, companies in the automobile or auto component manufacture sub-industries, companies in the oil and gas sub-industries, companies in the information technology and telecommunications sectors and companies in the food, beverage and tobacco industry group should complete supplementary questions in addition to the main questionnaire.

If you are in these sector groupings (according to the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS)), the corresponding sector modules will not appear below but will automatically appear in the navigation bar when you save this page. If you want to query your classification, please email respond@cdp.net.

If you have not been presented with a sector module that you consider would be appropriate for your company to answer, please select the module below. If you wish to view the questions first, please see https://www.cdp.net/en-US/Programmes/Pages/More-questionnaires.aspx.

Module: Management

Page: CC1. Governance

CC1.1

Where is the highest level of direct responsibility for climate change within your organization?

Board or individual/sub-set of the Board or other committee appointed by the Board

CC1.1a

Please identify the position of the individual or name of the committee with this responsibility

Responsibility for environmental performance is shared across the Corporation. The Senior Vice-President Procurement is responsible for the day-to-day management of environmental performance, while the Board of Directors and Executive Management Committee are ultimately responsible for compliance to legislation and corporate policies.

The Sustainable Development Steering Committee is made up of employees from across the organization. The Committee develops strategic sustainability objectives and targets, including those related to climate change. It also engages with stakeholders and prepares the annual Corporate Social Responsibility report. The Executive Committee oversees the work of the committee and approves the strategic plans and reports.

CC1.2

Do you provide incentives for the management of climate change issues, including the attainment of targets?

Yes

CC1.2a

Please provide further details on the incentives provided for the management of climate change issues

Who is entitled to benefit from these incentives?	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Comment
Energy managers	Monetary reward	Energy reduction project Energy reduction target	Monetary savings from improved energy efficiency and lower energy costs are used, among others, to determine annual bonuses.

Page: CC2. Strategy

CC2.1

Please select the option that best describes your risk management procedures with regard to climate change risks and opportunities

Integrated into multi-disciplinary company wide risk management processes

CC2.1a

Please provide further details on your risk management procedures with regard to climate change risks and opportunities

Frequency of monitoring	To whom are results reported?	Geographical areas considered	How far into the future are risks considered?	Comment
Six-monthly or more frequently	Board or individual/sub-set of the Board or committee appointed by the Board	Canada, United States	3 to 6 years	TC Transcontinental has developed a robust framework for managing its principal risks. The objectives of this process are to identify the main risks affecting the business, assess their impact, put in place a response strategy and monitor the progress of mitigation initiatives. Twice a year, the Corporate Controller meets individually with each member of Senior Management to review the list of risks previously identified and determine if risks need to be removed or added to the list. Once the list is reviewed, it is presented to the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors, where it is the object of a discussion with management. Risks and opportunities related to the environment are

Frequency of monitoring	To whom are results reported?	Geographical areas considered	How far into the future are risks considered?	Comment
				considered for analysis in this global Enterprise Risk Management process of the Corporation.

CC2.1b

Please describe how your risk and opportunity identification processes are applied at both company and asset level

The main risks identified through the Enterprise Risk Management process fall into 3 categories: strategic, operational or financial. The list usually comprises of 15 to 20 risks, many of which are of a recurring nature. For each risk, the following information is presented:

- Progress (new, increasing, stable or decreasing);
- Potential financial impact;
- Main person responsible for managing the risk (amongst Senior Management);
- Mitigation factors put in place over the last 6 months

The list is then reviewed and discussed with Senior Management as a group, including the CEO. The focus of this discussion relates to the effectiveness of the mitigation factors put in place to manage each risk, with each VP being the owner of a risk having to report on its actions of the last 6 months. Environmental risks are part of the operational risks and management processes are put forth both at the Corporate and at plant levels through the Senior Vice-President Procurement.

CC2.1c

How do you prioritize the risks and opportunities identified?

Once a preliminary list of all potential risks is completed, the likelihood of occurrence and potential impacts of each risk are weighed and discussed with the appropriate stakeholders. The combination of likelihood and impact will determine which risks are considered as material for the Corporation.

With respect to climate change and environmental issues, stakeholder questionnaires are developed every three years in order to help to identify the relevant subjects and objectives communicated through our annual Corporate Social Responsibility reports.

CC2.2

Is climate change integrated into your business strategy?

Yes

CC2.2a

Please describe the process of how climate change is integrated into your business strategy and any outcomes of this process

As a Canadian leader in the print and media industry and new player in the packaging market, TC Transcontinental strives daily to implement best practices in sustainability by incorporating social, environmental and community perspective into its business practice - an approach that is directly connected to our vision of growth. By delivering on our sustainability commitment on a day-to-day basis, we continue to create value for our shareholders, employees, and customers and make a positive difference in the communities where we operate.

With respect to climate change, specific objectives are presented in our 2016-2018 Corporate Responsibility Plan. First, we aim to reduce our energy use by 5% over the 3-year period. We also want to achieve a 3% reduction in our combined Scope 1 and Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions. The Corporation will therefore promote and develop projects and initiatives that aim at achieving these targets. Progress towards these objectives is annually presented in our Corporate Social Responsibility report.

CC2.2c

Does your company use an internal price of carbon?

No, and we currently don't anticipate doing so in the next 2 years

CC2.3

Do you engage in activities that could either directly or indirectly influence public policy on climate change through any of the following? (tick all that apply)

Other

CC2.3e

Please provide details of the other engagement activities that you undertake

- TC Transcontinental has been an active member of the Association Québécoise pour la maîtrise de l'énergie (AQME) (Quebec's association for energy efficiency), a forum for sharing best practice, stimulating innovation and mobilisation change towards a sustainable future.
- TC Transcontinental participates in Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) programs throughout Canada for the printed material and packaging that it produces for its own brands. EPR programs promote recycling and re-use of paper products, therefore reducing the required resources needed to access and transform raw materials.
- TC Transcontinental supports various large-scale conservation projects in Canada and participates regularly in round table discussions and informational meetings with Canopy, a non-for-profit environmental organization working on forest issues. Large-scale forests are considered highly valuable for biodiversity and carbon sequestration.
- In order to better our understanding of sustainability in our new business sector, TC Transcontinental Packaging has joined the Sustainable Packaging Coalition® (SPC). The SPC brings together businesses, educational institutions and government agencies to collectively broaden the understanding of packaging sustainability. Being an active member of the SPC will allow TC Transcontinental to foster valuable partnerships through its new packaging supply chain, find durable solutions to operational issues such as recovery of multi-laminate flexible packaging, and develop ample sustainable packaging options for its customers.

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CC2.3f

What processes do you have in place to ensure that all of your direct and indirect activities that influence policy are consistent with your overall climate change strategy?

All the discussions regarding climate change and the environment are managed through the Senior Vice-President Procurement, the Director MRO, Energy and Environment, the Corporate Environmental Coordinator and the Corporation's communications team. Their role across the company is well known and understood when discussing these matters.

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Page: CC3. Targets and Initiatives

CC3.1

Did you have an emissions reduction or renewable energy consumption or production target that was active (ongoing or reached completion) in the reporting year?

No

CC3.1f

Please explain (i) why you do not have a target; and (ii) forecast how your emissions will change over the next five years

Following successful energy reduction initiatives in the period 2008-2012, TC Transcontinental set up objectives of increasing the scope of its GHG reporting and reducing its energy use in its 2013-2015 Corporate Responsibility Plan but decided not to have absolute targets as the company was in the midst of structural changes. The new 2016-2018 plan that was released this year targets reductions of 5 % and 3% for energy use and Scope 1+2 greenhouse gas emissions over the 3-year period.

CC3.2

Do you classify any of your existing goods and/or services as low carbon products or do they enable a third party to avoid GHG emissions?

Yes

CC3.2a

Please provide details of your products and/or services that you classify as low carbon products or that enable a third party to avoid GHG emissions

Level of aggregation	Description of product/Group of products	Are you reporting low carbon product/s or avoided emissions?	Taxonomy, project or methodology used to classify product/s as low carbon or to calculate avoided emissions	% revenue from low carbon product/s in the reporting year	% R&D in low carbon product/s in the reporting year	Comment
Product	Printed products on paper and cardboard certified as coming from sustainably managed forests or from recycled fibre.	Avoided emissions	Other: Not Calculated			TC Transcontinental's paper purchasing policy, established in 2007 and updated in 2012 promotes the use of paper fibre from recycled sources or from sustainably managed forests under certification. TC Transcontinental holds Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), Sustainable Forest Initiative (SFI) and Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) certificates. By doing so, the company offers its clients choices that support best available forestry practices, preserve endangered ecosystems, limit water use and thus have lower embedded carbon emissions.
Group of products	Multi-Laminate Flexible Plastic Packaging	Avoided emissions	Other: Not Calculated			The use of flexible multi-laminate plastic results in lighter weight food packaging than traditional rigid packaging; therefore reducing the amount of feedstock used and embedded carbon emissions. Furthermore, the reduced weight and volume inherent with flexible packaging reduces the transport emission of the packaged goods.

CC3.3

Did you have emissions reduction initiatives that were active within the reporting year (this can include those in the planning and/or implementation phases)

Yes

CC3.3a

Please identify the total number of projects at each stage of development, and for those in the implementation stages, the estimated CO2e savings

Stage of development	Number of projects	Total estimated annual CO2e savings in metric tonnes CO2e (only for rows marked *)
Under investigation	12	5085
To be implemented*		
Implementation commenced*		
Implemented*	15	1550
Not to be implemented		

CC3.3b

For those initiatives implemented in the reporting year, please provide details in the table below

Activity type	Description of activity	Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)	Scope	Voluntary/ Mandatory	Annual monetary savings (unit currency - as specified in CC0.4)	Investment required (unit currency - as specified in CC0.4)	Payback period	Estimated lifetime of the initiative	Comment
Energy efficiency: Building services	Fifteen energy efficiency projects were implemented in 2015 across our different operational units. These projects were on various building services, such as lighting,	1550	Scope 1 Scope 2 (location- based)	Voluntary	500000	1100000	1-3 years	Ongoing	The 1,1 millions \$CAD of required investment is calculated after the return of

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	HVAC, production equipment and compressors. They saved both on natural gas consumption (Scope 1) and electricity use (Scope 2).								governmental grants.

CC3.3c

What methods do you use to drive investment in emissions reduction activities?

Method	Comment
Lower return on investment (ROI) specification	The Simple Payback Period is calculated; project with a payback under three years are preferred. Governmental grants are sometimes require in order to make the projects financially acceptable.

Page: CC4. Communication

CC4.1

Have you published information about your organization's response to climate change and GHG emissions performance for this reporting year in places other than in your CDP response? If so, please attach the publication(s)

Publication	Status	Page/Sec tion reference	Attach the document	Comment
In voluntary communicat ions	Compl ete	All Document	https://www.cdp.net/sites/2016/05/19305/Climate Change 2016/Shared Documents/Attachments/CC4.1/2015_Social_responsibilit y_report_45Lp98.pdf	http://tctranscontinental.com/documents/10180/4548192/2015_Social_responsibility_report_45Lp98.pdf

Module: Risks and Opportunities

Page: CC5. Climate Change Risks

CC5.1

Have you identified any inherent climate change risks that have the potential to generate a substantive change in your business operations, revenue or expenditure? Tick all that apply

Risks driven by changes in regulation Risks driven by changes in physical climate parameters Risks driven by changes in other climate-related developments

CC5.1a

Please describe your inherent risks that are driven by changes in regulation

Risk driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
Cap and trade schemes	While the greenhouse gas emissions of TC Transcontinental are under the thresholds for the current cap and trade programs, some of the Corporation's suppliers are required to participate. Therefore, increased costs in the supply of raw materials and energy are anticipated and have already been seen under the Quebec cap and trade program relative to TC Transcontinental's purchase of natural gas in 2015. It is expected that more provinces and states will join this program or similar programs	Increased operational cost	Up to 1 year	Indirect (Supply chain)	Virtually certain	Medium	In Quebec, the cap and trade program added approximately 20% to the price of natural gas in 2015. The financial implication to TC Transcontinental amounts to hundreds of thousand dollars.	Energy Efficiency projects.	Higher energy prices encourage more energy efficiency projects by shortening the payback period.

Risk driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
	in the future, thus increasing the impact of these schemes. This falls under the raw materials and energy prices risk described in the MD&A for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2015.								
Air pollution limits	Necessity to modify the current equipment to meet new more stringent limits. TC Transcontinental already has some of the best available technologies with respect to air pollution control in most of its facilities. Volatile organic compounds from the printing process are destroyed by powerful incinerators fuelled by natural gas. Increasing the pollution control may require new equipment and changes to	Increased capital cost	3 to 6 years	Direct	Likely	Medium	The cost to modify or replace equipment is relatively high.	In the past five years, TC Transcontinental has consolidated its production, if practicable, in its most efficient and modern operational units. This decreases the risk of outdated pollution control equipment.	

Risk driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
	operational use. This falls under the regulations risk described in the MD&A for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2015.								
Fuel/energy taxes and regulations	Regulated carbon price on carbon intensive fuels, which would impact both our supply and the distribution costs of our products. Transport fuel supply and price volatility will impact TC Transcontinental on both the supply side (manufacturers of paper, plastics, inks, solvents, etc.) and on the distribution side. This falls under the raw materials and energy prices risk described in the MD&A for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2015.	Increased operational cost	3 to 6 years	Direct	Likely	Medium	Financial implication not estimated.	Better distribution, use of non-carbon intensive fuels in transport, increased efficiency in use of raw materials.	
General environmental regulations, including	Extended producer responsibility for sold products. This falls under the	Reduced demand for goods/services	Up to 1 year	Indirect (Client)	Virtually certain	Medium	Extended producer responsibility (EPR) for paper products has already been		

Risk driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
planning	regulations risk described in the MD&A for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2015.						put in place in multiple provinces in Canada. This increases the overall cost of printed material, as clients need to pay both for the production of the piece and its end of life recovery cost. This can lead to a decrease in demand for printed products, which is the core of TC Transcontinental's business. Carbon regulation could highlight the environmental impact of printing and lead to additional EPR regulation.		
Product efficiency regulations and standards	Required recycled content in material used. This falls under the regulations risk described in the MD&A for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2015.	Increased operational cost	3 to 6 years	Indirect (Supply chain)	About as likely as not	Medium	Since there are limited options for increasing the recycled content of paper and plastic raw materials, such regulations could increase costs and requirement for R&D investments. Carbon regulation could		

Risk driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
							highlight the environmental impact of printing and lead to additional recycled content requirements. Financial implication not estimated		

CC5.1b Please describe your inherent risks that are driven by changes in physical climate parameters

Risk driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
Induced changes in natural resources	Climate impacts on forests, such as fire patterns, pine beetle devastation, species health, etc., could disrupt the supply chain. This falls under the raw materials and energy prices risk described in the MD&A for the fiscal	Reduction/disruption in production capacity	>6 years	Indirect (Supply chain)	About as likely as not	Low- medium			

Risk driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
	year ended October 31, 2015.								
Change in precipitation extremes and droughts	The climate change impacts on urban environment (heat waves, storm water sewer overflows, floods, electricity supply disruption) could lead to disruption in facility operations, the employees' ability to get to work and increased heating/cooling costs. This falls under the disruptions risk described in the MD&A for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2015.	Reduction/disruption in production capacity	>6 years	Direct	More likely than not	Low- medium	Production of printed products often have short timelines, thus the disruption could have important financial impacts on a short time-frame.	TC Transcontinental has operational business units in multiple provinces, thus the different printed projects could be moved to another location in case of disruption. Contingency plans are already in place for temporary shutdowns.	

CC5.1c

Please describe your inherent risks that are driven by changes in other climate-related developments

Risk driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
Changing consumer behaviour	Consumers are interested in environmentally friendly products and customers prefer to do business with corporations that take care of the environment and have good sustainability practices. In particular, paper is often seen as the cause for deforestation, and plastics are made with non-renewable resources. This falls under the transformation of the industry in which the corporation operates risk described in the MD&A for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2015.	Reduced demand for goods/services	1 to 3 years	Indirect (Client)	Likely	Medium- high	A portion of TC Transcontinental's revenue comes from flyers, which could be targeted due to their distribution process and perceived lack of value by some residents. A decrease in consumer demand could have a major financial impact on the Corporation.	Educate on the value of responsibly-printed flyers, use sustainably sourced products, increase recycled content and review distribution processes.	The costs are minor compared to the potential losses.

Page: CC6. Climate Change Opportunities

CC6.1

Have you identified any inherent climate change opportunities that have the potential to generate a substantive change in your business operations, revenue or expenditure? Tick all that apply

Opportunities driven by changes in regulation Opportunities driven by changes in physical climate parameters Opportunities driven by changes in other climate-related developments

CC6.1a

Please describe your inherent opportunities that are driven by changes in regulation

Opportunity driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
Air pollution limits	More stringent air pollution limits will lead to the necessity of more efficient production equipment and pollution control. Companies who already have this equipment will be at an advantage.	New products/business services	3 to 6 years	Direct	More likely than not	Low- medium	TC Transcontinental has modern and efficient equipment in most of its operational units and therefore may not require as much investment in new or improved equipment as other players of the industry.		

CC6.1b

Please describe the inherent opportunities that are driven by changes in physical climate parameters

Opportunity driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
Change in precipitation extremes and droughts	Regional climate extremes will have an impact on production abilities.	Increased demand for existing products/services	>6 years	Direct	Unlikely	Low	TC Transcontinental could benefit from its geographical spread, as it can readily relocate print orders to alternative printing facilities within its network.	Maintain operational units in multiple regions of North America, in order to have good contingency plans for temporary shutdowns.	

CC6.1c

Please describe the inherent opportunities that are driven by changes in other climate-related developments

Opportunity driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
Changing consumer behaviour	Consumers are interested in environmentally friendly products and customers want to do business with corporations concerned about their environmental impact. Flexible multilaminate plastic	Increased demand for existing products/services	Up to 1 year	Direct	Very likely	Medium- high	TC Transcontinental is investing in its packaging division in order to gain market shares in this growing business.	Acquisition of flexible packaging companies in the United States.	Large-scale investments.

Opportunity driver	Description	Potential impact	Timeframe	Direct/ Indirect	Likelihood	Magnitude of impact	Estimated financial implications	Management method	Cost of management
	packaging can be seen as a more eco- friendly alternative to rigid packaging due to lower resource use and lower weight and volume for transport.								

Module: GHG Emissions Accounting, Energy and Fuel Use, and Trading

Page: CC7. Emissions Methodology

CC7.1

Please provide your base year and base year emissions (Scopes 1 and 2)

Scope	Base year	Base year emissions (metric tonnes CO2e)
Scope 1	Tue 01 Nov 2011 - Wed 31 Oct 2012	59200
Scope 2 (location-based)	Tue 01 Nov 2011 - Wed 31 Oct 2012	52600
Scope 2 (market-based)		

CC7.2

Please give the name of the standard, protocol or methodology you have used to collect activity data and calculate Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions

Please select the published methodologies that you use

The Greenhouse Gas Protocol: A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (Revised Edition)

CC7.2a

If you have selected "Other" in CC7.2 please provide details of the standard, protocol or methodology you have used to collect activity data and calculate Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions

N/A

CC7.3

Please give the source for the global warming potentials you have used

Gas	Reference
CO2	IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (AR5 - 100 year)
CH4	IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (AR5 - 100 year)
N2O	IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (AR5 - 100 year)

CC7.4

Please give the emissions factors you have applied and their origin; alternatively, please attach an Excel spreadsheet with this data at the bottom of this page

Fuel/Material/Energy	Emission Factor	Unit	Reference
Natural gas	0.00188	metric tonnes CO2 per m3	Canada National Greenhouse Gas Inventory
Diesel/Gas oil	2.663	metric tonnes CO2 per m3	Canada National Greenhouse Gas Inventory
Propane	1.51	metric tonnes CO2 per m3	Canada National Greenhouse Gas Inventory

Further Information

Find attached the Excel Spreadsheet for electricity emission factors for the provinces and states in which TC Transcontinental operates.

Attachments

https://www.cdp.net/sites/2016/05/19305/Climate Change 2016/Shared Documents/Attachments/ClimateChange2016/CC7.EmissionsMethodology/Electricity_Emission_Factors.xlsx

Page: CC8. Emissions Data - (1 Nov 2014 - 31 Oct 2015)

CC8.1

Please select the boundary you are using for your Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas inventory

Operational control

CC8.2

Please provide your gross global Scope 1 emissions figures in metric tonnes CO2e

61700

CC8.3

Does your company have any operations in markets providing product or supplier specific data in the form of contractual instruments?

No

CC8.3a

Please provide your gross global Scope 2 emissions figures in metric tonnes CO2e

Scope 2, location-based	Scope 2, market-based (if applicable)	Comment
41100		

CC8.4

Are there are any sources (e.g. facilities, specific GHGs, activities, geographies, etc.) of Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions that are within your selected reporting boundary which are not included in your disclosure?

No

CC8.5

Please estimate the level of uncertainty of the total gross global Scope 1 and 2 emissions figures that you have supplied and specify the sources of uncertainty in your data gathering, handling and calculations

Scope	Uncertainty range	Main sources of uncertainty	Please expand on the uncertainty in your data
Scope 1	More than 2% but less than or equal to 5%	Data Gaps Assumptions Data Management	Assumptions are made with respect to smaller operational units where data is not available. These assumptions should not have a big impact on the final value.
Scope 2 (location-based)	More than 2% but less than or equal to 5%	Data Gaps Assumptions Data Management	Assumptions are made with respect to smaller operational units where data is not available. These assumptions should not have a big impact on the final value.
Scope 2 (market-based)			

CC8.6

Please indicate the verification/assurance status that applies to your reported Scope 1 emissions

No third party verification or assurance

CC8.7

Please indicate the verification/assurance status that applies to at least one of your reported Scope 2 emissions figures

No third party verification or assurance

CC8.8

Please identify if any data points have been verified as part of the third party verification work undertaken, other than the verification of emissions figures reported in CC8.6, CC8.7 and CC14.2

Additional data points verified	Comment
No additional data verified	

CC8.9

Are carbon dioxide emissions from biologically sequestered carbon relevant to your organization?

No

Page: CC9. Scope 1 Emissions Breakdown - (1 Nov 2014 - 31 Oct 2015)

CC9.1

Do you have Scope 1 emissions sources in more than one country?

Yes

CC9.1a

Please break down your total gross global Scope 1 emissions by country/region

Country/Region	Scope 1 metric tonnes CO2e
Canada	56900
United States of America	4800

CC9.2

Please indicate which other Scope 1 emissions breakdowns you are able to provide (tick all that apply)

By business division

By facility By GHG type

CC9.2a

Please break down your total gross global Scope 1 emissions by business division

Business division	Scope 1 emissions (metric tonnes CO2e)
TC Transcontinental Printing	60500
TC Transcontinental Packaging	1200

CC9.2b

Please break down your total gross global Scope 1 emissions by facility

Facility	Scope 1 emissions (metric tonnes CO2e)	Latitude	l annituda
		Latitude	Longitude
Transcontinental Halifax	2000	44.00	62.66
	2000	44.62	-63.66
Transcontinental St-Hyacinthe	9000	45.63	-72.97
Transcontinental Acme Direct	700	45.58	-73.62
Transcontinental de la Capitale	200	46.82	-71.31
Transcontinental Interglobe	3000	46.22	-70.78
Transcontinental Interweb Montréal	4000	45.56	-73.40
Transcontinental Québec	100	46.82	-71.31
Transcontinental Métropolitain	200	45.65	-73.52
Transcontinental Qualimax	25	45.45	-75.73
Transcontinental Ross-Ellis	200	45.42	-73.63
Transcontinental Transmag	400	45.61	-73.58
Transcontinental PLM	2400	43.84	-79.31
Transcontinental Brampton	7300	43.17	-79.68
Transcontinental Vaughan	4800	43.76	-79.62
Transcontinental RBW Graphics	7500	44.58	-80.90
Transcontinental LGM-Coronet	1500	49.89	-97.26
Transcontinental Saskatoon	100	52.18	-106.65
Transcontinental Calgary	7000	51.00	-114.05
Transcontinental Vancouver	4400	49.19	-122.96
Transcontinental Northern California	3600	37.47	-121.92
Transcontinental Dartmouth	640	44.71	-63.60
Transcontinental Capri	1000	33.39	-93.76
Transcontinental Ultraflex	250	40.66	-73.86
Transcontinental Concord	150	43.81	-113.63
Transcontinental Edmonton	800	53.56	-63.60

CC9.2c

Please break down your total gross global Scope 1 emissions by GHG type

GHG type	Scope 1 emissions (metric tonnes CO2e)
CO2	46000
CH4	25
N2O	250
Other: VOCs	15425

Page: CC10. Scope 2 Emissions Breakdown - (1 Nov 2014 - 31 Oct 2015)

CC10.1

Do you have Scope 2 emissions sources in more than one country?

Yes

CC10.1a

Please break down your total gross global Scope 2 emissions and energy consumption by country/region

Country/Region	Scope 2, location-based (metric tonnes CO2e)	Scope 2, market-based (metric tonnes CO2e)	Purchased and consumed electricity, heat, steam or cooling (MWh)	Purchased and consumed low carbon electricity, heat, steam or cooling accounted in market-based approach (MWh)
Canada	30000		465507	147560
United States of America	11000		49000	4208

CC10.2

Please indicate which other Scope 2 emissions breakdowns you are able to provide (tick all that apply)

By business division By facility

CC10.2a

Please break down your total gross global Scope 2 emissions by business division

Business division	Scope 2 emissions, location based (metric tonnes CO2e)	Scope 2 emissions, market-based (metric tonnes CO2e)
TC Transcontinental Printing	34000	
TC Transcontinental Packaging	7000	

CC10.2b

Please break down your total gross global Scope 2 emissions by facility

Facility	Scope 2 emissions, location based (metric tonnes CO2e)	Scope 2 emissions, market-based (metric tonnes CO2e)
Transcontinental Dartmouth	2200	
Transcontinental Halifax	4700	
Transcontinental St-Hyacinthe	42	
Transcontinental Acme Direct	6	
Transcontinental de la Capitale	4	
Transcontinental Interglobe	34	
Transcontinental Interweb Montréal	57	
Transcontinental Québec	6	
Transcontinental Métropolitain	16	
Transcontinental Qualimax	1	
Transcontinental Ross-Ellis	10	
Transcontinental Transmag	15	
Transcontinental PLM	1300	
Transcontinental Brampton	1600	
Transcontinental Vaughan	1200	
Transcontinental RBW Graphics	2200	
Transcontinental LGM-Coronet	20	
Transcontinental Saskatoon	500	
Transcontinental Calgary	14900	
Transcontinental Vancouver	200	
Transcontinental Northern California	4000	
Transcontinental Edmonton	960	
Transcontinental Capri	6800	
Transcontinental Ultraflex	200	

Page: CC11. Energy

CC11.1

What percentage of your total operational spend in the reporting year was on energy?

More than 0% but less than or equal to 5%

CC11.2

Please state how much heat, steam, and cooling in MWh your organization has purchased and consumed during the reporting year

Energy type	Energy purchased and consumed (MWh)
Heat	
Steam	
Cooling	

CC11.3

Please state how much fuel in MWh your organization has consumed (for energy purposes) during the reporting year

260400

CC11.3a

Please complete the table by breaking down the total "Fuel" figure entered above by fuel type

Fuels	MWh
Natural gas	252200
Propane	8200

CC11.4

Please provide details of the electricity, heat, steam or cooling amounts that were accounted at a low carbon emission factor in the market-based Scope 2 figure reported in CC8.3a

Basis for applying a low carbon emission factor	MWh consumed associated with low carbon electricity, heat, steam or cooling	Comment
Contract with suppliers or utilities, with a supplier-specific emission rate, not backed by electricity attribute certificates	151768	This is calculated using the percentage of renewable energy per province (National Inventory Report).

CC11.5

Please report how much electricity you produce in MWh, and how much electricity you consume in MWh

Total electricity consumed (MWh)	Consumed electricity that is purchased (MWh)	Total electricity produced (MWh)	Total renewable electricity produced (MWh)	Consumed renewable electricity that is produced by company (MWh)	Comment
254000	254000	0	0	0	

Page: CC12. Emissions Performance

CC12.1

How do your gross global emissions (Scope 1 and 2 combined) for the reporting year compare to the previous year?

Decreased

CC12.1a

Please identify the reasons for any change in your gross global emissions (Scope 1 and 2 combined) and for each of them specify how your emissions compare to the previous year

Reason	Emissions value (percentage)	Direction of change	Please explain and include calculation
Emissions reduction activities	1	Decrease	Energy efficiency projects have been implemented across our printing facilities, lowering both Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions.
Divestment	7	Decrease	In 2015, TC transcontinental announced the closing of Transcontinental Concord, Edmonton and Acme Direct.
Acquisitions	1.5	Increase	In 2015, TC Transcontinental acquired Transcontinental Ultraflex in Brooklyn, NY, as well as having its first full year with Transcontinental Capri in Missouri.
Mergers	1	Decrease	Multiple mergers happened in Fiscal 2015 in the Media Sector, which led to reduced electricity consumption.
Change in output			
Change in methodology			
Change in boundary			
Change in physical operating conditions			
Unidentified			
Other			

CC12.1b

Is your emissions performance calculations in CC12.1 and CC12.1a based on a location-based Scope 2 emissions figure or a market-based Scope 2 emissions figure?

Location-based

CC12.2

Please describe your gross global combined Scope 1 and 2 emissions for the reporting year in metric tonnes CO2e per unit currency total revenue

Intensity figure =	Metric numerator (Gross global combined Scope 1 and 2 emissions)	Metric denominator: Unit total revenue	Scope 2 figure used	% change from previous year	Direction of change from previous year	Reason for change
51.40	metric tonnes CO2e	1000000	Location- based	7.5	Decrease	While the Corporation's revenues have stayed somewhat stable at 2 billion \$CAD, the energy consumption was lowered due to energy efficiency projects, divestments and mergers.

CC12.3

Please provide any additional intensity (normalized) metrics that are appropriate to your business operations

Intensity figure =	Metric numerator (Gross global combined Scope 1 and 2 emissions)	Metric denominator	Metric denominator: Unit total	Scope 2 figure used	% change from previous year	Direction of change from previous year	Reason for change
12.84	metric tonnes CO2e	full time equivalent (FTE) employee	1	Location- based	6.5	Decrease	While the Corporation's number of employees was reduced to 8000 due to divestments and mergers, the energy consumption was lowered significantly more.

Page: CC13. Emissions Trading

CC13.1

Do you participate in any emissions trading schemes?

No, and we do not currently anticipate doing so in the next 2 years

CC13.2

Has your organization originated any project-based carbon credits or purchased any within the reporting period?

No

Page: CC14. Scope 3 Emissions

CC14.1

Please account for your organization's Scope 3 emissions, disclosing and explaining any exclusions

Sources of Scope 3 emissions	Evaluation status	metric tonnes CO2e	Emissions calculation methodology	Percentage of emissions calculated using data obtained from suppliers or value chain partners	Explanation
Purchased goods and services	Relevant, not yet calculated				TC Transcontinental is aware that its purchases, notably for paper and chemicals, involves embedded GHG emissions, and has some procedures in place to mitigate them. On the other hand, the Corporation has yet to delve further into quantifying this aspect of Scope 3 calculations.
Capital goods	Not relevant, explanation provided				N/A
Fuel-and-energy- related activities (not included in Scope 1 or 2)	Relevant, calculated	4700	TC Transcontinental tracks the area (in square feet) of leased office buildings. This area is then multiplied by industry accepted electricity consumption factors per area.	0.00%	TC Transcontinental leases multiple office spaces, where we do not control the energy invoicing. Therefore, the data is coming from extrapolation rather than through supplier or value chain partners.
Upstream transportation and distribution	Relevant, not yet calculated				TC Transcontinental knows that the transport and distribution of its purchased goods creates GHG emissions. On the other hand, the Corporation has yet to delve further into quantifying this aspect of Scope 3 calculations.
Waste generated in operations	Relevant, not yet calculated				The Corporation's recovery rate is calculated as part of our annual Corporate Responsibility Report. All of our waste streams are known and quantified, but not looked at through the GHG emission lens.
Business travel	Relevant,	4200	This calculation includes air travel, car	100.00%	

Sources of Scope 3 emissions	Evaluation status	metric tonnes CO2e	Emissions calculation methodology	Percentage of emissions calculated using data obtained from suppliers or value chain partners	Explanation
	calculated		location and personal cars used for professional purposes.		
Employee commuting	Relevant, not yet calculated				TC Transcontinental has estimated the impact of employee commuting on its Scope 3 emissions in the past through surveys, but the data is not representative of the new structure of the company.
Upstream leased assets	Not relevant, explanation provided				N/A
Downstream transportation and distribution	Relevant, not yet calculated				TC Transcontinental's distribution of finished goods is an important aspect of the business and creates GHG emissions. The scope of this calculation is very large and needs to be determined, and the use of third-party suppliers for distribution adds to the challenge of obtaining data.
Processing of sold products	Not relevant, explanation provided				The products produced by TC Transcontinental do not require any further processing, as they are finished goods.
Use of sold products	Not relevant, explanation provided				The use of printed materials and packaging doesn't require any energy or create any emissions.
End of life treatment of sold products	Relevant, not yet calculated				Recycling of paper and plastic products creates some emissions, but also prevents emissions from being created by using new raw material.
Downstream leased assets	Not relevant, explanation provided				N/A
Franchises	Not relevant, explanation provided				N/A
Investments	Not relevant,				N/A

Sources of Scope 3 emissions	Evaluation status	metric tonnes CO2e	Emissions calculation methodology	Percentage of emissions calculated using data obtained from suppliers or value chain partners	Explanation
	explanation provided				
Other (upstream)	Not relevant, explanation provided				N/A
Other (downstream)	Not relevant, explanation provided				N/A

CC14.2

Please indicate the verification/assurance status that applies to your reported Scope 3 emissions

No emissions data provided

CC14.3

Are you able to compare your Scope 3 emissions for the reporting year with those for the previous year for any sources?

Yes

CC14.3a

Please identify the reasons for any change in your Scope 3 emissions and for each of them specify how your emissions compare to the previous year

Sources of Scope 3 emissions	Reason for change	Emissions value (percentage)	Direction of change	Comment
Fuel- and energy-related activities (not included in Scopes 1 or 2)	Mergers	25	Decrease	The Corporation has merged multiple regional offices of its TC Media sector into one main building, thus reducing the square footage of its leased assets and their energy consumption.
Business travel	Emissions reduction activities	7	Decrease	The Corporation has been promoting the use of telecommunications when possible

CC14.4

Do you engage with any of the elements of your value chain on GHG emissions and climate change strategies? (Tick all that apply)

Yes, our suppliers

Yes, our customers

Yes, other partners in the value chain

CC14.4a

Please give details of methods of engagement, your strategy for prioritizing engagement and measures of success

On our supplier side, we work with our paper suppliers to ensure that they fit the requirements of our Paper Purchasing Policy, as well as check their overall environmental performance and reporting. Our Paper Procurement Policy requests the use of third-party certification and best practices in responsible forestry, which in turn reduces GHG emissions and lowers negative impacts on the environment.

On the customer side, we encourage our clients to choose paper with post-consumer recycled content and paper made with third-party certified fiber with chain-of-custody certification. We also help them achieve their own sustainability targets, notably for procurement of printed products.

Finally, we engage every three years in large-scale stakeholder questionnaires to determine our sustainability priorities, which include GHG emissions and climate change. The stakeholders include internal employees, suppliers, customers, as well as environmental not-for-profit organizations.

To measure the success of these measures, we have put forward sets of sustainability indicators, which are tracked quarterly and presented in our annual CSR report.

CC14.4b

To give a sense of scale of this engagement, please give the number of suppliers with whom you are engaging and the proportion of your total spend that they represent

Number of suppliers	% of total spend (direct and indirect)	Comment
16	50%	TC Transcontinental's biggest purchases come from paper, which accounts for approximately 50% of our procurement expenses.

CC14.4c

If you have data on your suppliers' GHG emissions and climate change strategies, please explain how you make use of that data

How you make use of the data	Please give details
Identifying GHG sources to prioritize for reduction actions	TC Transcontinental stays aware of the sustainability challenges of our industry and learns from our supplier's objectives and projects. This also helps to determine which aspects of our supply chain is more carbon intensive, and where the focus of our initiatives should be.

Module: Sign Off

Page: CC15. Sign Off

CC15.1

Please provide the following information for the person that has signed off (approved) your CDP climate change response

Name	Job title	Corresponding job category
Sylvain Levert	Senior Vice-President Procurement	Other: Senior Vice-President Procurement