

Mega Minerals Sustainability Report 2025 - Decarbonization Pathways

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Description: This sustainability and climate report details Mega Minerals' decarbonization strategies, carbon footprint metrics for their iron ore products, and commitments to low-carbon supply. It contains data on carbon intensity, targets for scope reductions, and pathways aligning with climate commitments. It provides insights into low-carbon transition plans and how they impact contractual obligations, pricing, and customer commitments.

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Introduction

This comprehensive report encompasses Mega Minerals' strategic initiatives towards decarbonization for the year 2025, focusing on the low-carbon transition in the iron ore supply chain. It provides an in-depth analysis of contractual frameworks, internal ESG policies, carbon metrics, and regulatory considerations regarding carbon pricing schemes such as the EU CBAM. This document is intended for internal stakeholders, external partners, compliance teams, and retrieval systems utilizing RAG methodologies for efficient data retrieval and question answering.

Company Overview

Mega Minerals is a leading global producer of iron ore, committed to sustainability and climate resilience. The organization has set ambitious targets for reducing Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions, aligning with international climate commitments such as the Paris Agreement. The company's scope of operations includes mining, processing, logistics, and sales segments, each incorporating decarbonization strategies tailored to their specific activities.

Long-term Iron Ore Offtake

Agreements

Mega Minerals maintains several long-term agreements with key customers including Dragon Steel, Nippon Metals, and EuroSteel. These contracts outline specific clauses related to pricing structures, volume commitments, delivery windows, and sustainability commitments.

Example of Contract Overview

Customer	Contract ID	Execution Date	Duration	Scope
Dragon Steel	OFK-DRAG-2023	2023-01-15	10 years	Iron ore supply, with carbon tax pass-through
Nippon Metals	OFK-NIPP-2022	2022-08-01	8 years	Iron ore, includes price re-opener clause
EuroSteel	OFK-EURO-2024	2024-03-10	12 years	Iron ore, quality specifications, sustainability clauses

Contract Clauses & Specific Examples

Each of these agreements contains detailed clauses that address pricing formulas, quality specifications, volume commitments, and optional clauses such as carbon tax pass-through or price re-openers.

Pricing Formula Clauses

Pricing often references external indices, freight adjustments, and foreign exchange rates. For example:

Clause 5.1 – Price Calculation:

Base Price = [Index Reference] + Freight Adjustment + FX Adjustment

Where:

- Index Reference: Platts Iron Ore Index 62% CFR
- Freight Adjustment: USD 3.00 per tonne
- FX Adjustment: USD/EUR exchange rate at settlement

Quality Specifications

Contracts specify minimum iron content and permissible impurities:

- Fe (Iron): $\geq 62\%$
- Moisture: $\leq 8\%$
- SiO_2 : $\leq 5\%$
- Al_2O_3
 $\leq 2.5\%$
- P (Phosphorus): $\leq 0.06\%$

Volume Commitments and Delivery Windows

For example:

- **Volume:** 1 million tonnes annually
- **Laycan Window:** 1st to 15th of each month
- **Demurrage Rules:** Demurrage charges USD 500 per hour after 48 hours delay

Optional Clauses

Contracts may include clauses such as:

- **Carbon Tax Pass-through:** "Seller may pass through actual carbon taxes levied by authorities."
- **Price Re-Opener:** "Prices to be reviewed if carbon pricing schemes increase by $\geq 10\%$."

Key Contract Clauses and Keywords

For retrieval purposes, the following key clause identifiers and keywords are critical:

- **Scope 3**
- **carbon tax**
- **price reopeners**
- **demurrage**
- **laycan**
- **quality specifications**

Example clause mentions:

- "Clause 8.2 pertains to Scope 3 emissions reporting."
- "Clause 10.5 addresses carbon tax pass-through mechanisms."

Internal ESG Policies and Emissions Targets

Mega Minerals' ESG policies outline its approach to managing environmental impacts, focusing on Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions:

Scope 1, 2, and 3 Emissions

Scope	Description	Thresholds for Additional Reporting
Scope 1	Direct emissions from mining operations	Emissions > 1,000 tCO ₂ -e/year
Scope 2	Purchased electricity for processing facilities	Emissions > 500 tCO ₂ -e/year

Scope 3	Supply chain and logistics emissions	Emissions > 2,000 tCO ₂ -e/year or material impact on sustainability reports
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Policy Highlights

- Commitment to decreasing Scope 1 & 2 emissions by 25% by 2025.
- Enhanced transparency and mandatory reporting of Scope 3 emissions exceeding thresholds.
- Integration of decarbonization targets into procurement and logistics policies.

Sustainability & Climate Pathways

This report provides a comprehensive analysis of Mega Minerals' decarbonization pathways, carbon footprint of iron ore products, and strategic commitments to low-carbon supply chains. It aligns company targets with global climate goals and regulatory frameworks.

Decarbonization Pathways

Overview of Strategies

The company's pathways involve multiple initiatives, including:

- Transitioning to renewable energy sources for processing plants.
- Implementing carbon capture and storage (CCS) technology at key mining sites.
- Optimizing logistics to reduce transportation emissions.
- Engaging suppliers in sustainability commitments.

Scenario Analysis

Scenario	Description	Projected Emissions Reduction	Timeline
Business as Usual	Maintaining current operations without increased decarbonization efforts.	10%	2030
Moderate Transition	Implementation of renewable energy and efficiency measures.	45%	2035
Full Low-Carbon Transition	Adoption of CCS, green logistics, and supply chain electrification.	80%	2040

Key Metrics

Metric	Description	Data (2024)
Carbon Intensity	gCO2 per kg of Fe	150 gCO2/kgFe
Scope 1 Emissions	Annual emissions	1,200,000 tCO2-e
Scope 2 Emissions	Purchased electricity	400,000 tCO2-e
Scope 3 Emissions	Supply chain & logistics	3,500,000 tCO2-e

Carbon Footprint Metrics

Understanding the emission profile is essential. The following data illustrates Mega Minerals' current carbon footprint of its iron ore products:

Metric	Value	Unit

Carbon Intensity	150	gCO2 per kg Fe
Annual Scope 1 Emissions	1,200,000	tCO2-e
Annual Scope 2 Emissions	400,000	tCO2-e
Annual Scope 3 Emissions	3,500,000	tCO2-e

Targets and Company Commitments

Emissions Reduction Goals

- Scope 1 & 2 emissions reduced by 25% by 2025
- Scope 3 emissions reduction of 30% by 2030
- Achieve carbon-neutral operations by 2040

Customer Commitment

Mega Minerals commits to supplying low-carbon iron ore, reducing lifecycle emissions, and transparent reporting of performance metrics to its customers.

Low-Carbon Transition Plans

Implementing renewable energy systems at processing plants, investing in CCS infrastructure, and improving logistics efficiency are core to the transition. Specific projects include:

- Solar farm installation at the Patagonia mine site (capacity: 50 MW)
- Development of CCS pilot project to capture 20% of plant emissions
- Electrification of fleet logistics with renewable energy-powered trucks

These initiatives are scheduled to deliver significant emissions reductions by 2030, aligning with company targets.

Internal Memos and Carbon Pricing Schemes

Mega Minerals' internal memos detail strategies related to evolving carbon pricing schemes such as the EU CBAM, including cost estimates and operational impacts.

Example of a Memo Extract

Date: 2024-05-01

Subject: EU CBAM Impact Assessment & Cost Implications

This memo estimates an average CBAM cost of €15 per tonne of embedded carbon for imported iron ore, with potential increases to €25 by 2030, affecting overall pricing strategies.

Tables of Carbon Costs

Carbon Cost Scheme	Cost per Tonne of CO ₂ e	Impact on Product Pricing
EU CBAM		