# **Jefferies**

### Jefferies Financial Group Inc.

#### California Voluntary Carbon Market Disclosure

Jefferies Financial Group Inc. (Jefferies) provides the information below for the sole purpose of disclosure under the California Voluntary Carbon Market Disclosures Act (VCMDA), Section 44475.1 and 44475.2. This disclosure is provided as of the date below and is subject to change without notice. This disclosure is not intended, nor can it be relief on, to create legal relations, rights and obligations. By posting this information on its website, Jefferies is not conceding that it is required to disclose any specific item under the VCMDA and is not waiving any arguments about the interpretation of the VCMDA.

VCMDA Section 44475 applies to entities that market or sell voluntary carbon offsets within the State of California, and does not apply to Jefferies.

**Statement:** In our 2023 ESG/DEI Report (at pages 7 and 39), Jefferies has stated that in 2022, we achieved "carbon neutrality" in those operations for which we were able to obtain energy use data. "Carbon neutrality" is defined in this statement by offsetting 100% of the emissions associated with Scope 1 and 2, and certain categories of Scope 3 energy use across our operations and co-located data centers.

#### **Information Documenting Statement Accuracy and Accomplishment:**

- Jefferies reports Scope 1 and Scope 2. Data from offices with fewer than ten employees, offices without available electricity information, and data from Berkadia, Foursight, and Jefferies' other direct investment companies were not included in our data calculation. Our environmental indicators are preliminary, unaudited, and subject to revision. See Exhibit A.
- Emissions associated with Scope 1 and 2 and certain categories of Scope 3 energy use across these operations are in Exhibit A. Emissions factors utilized: U.S. EPA's Emissions & Generation Resource Integrated Database (eGRID) 2018 eGRID2018 (released in 2021), 2020 and 2021 eGRID 2020 (released 2022). Jefferies retained a sustainability consultant to provide sustainability consulting services in connection with the statements in Jefferies 2023 ESG/DEI Report.
- These emissions were reduced to achieve carbon neutrality as to Scope 1 and 2, and certain categories of Scope 3 emissions for the operations defined above, as follows:
  - o by employing energy efficiency strategies including installation of occupancy sensors and retrofitting LED lighting.
  - o by leveraging renewable electricity.
  - o by implementing a zero-carbon energy system, by matching the same amount of renewable energy as the electricity consumed annually by Jefferies' global operations.
  - o by purchasing carbon credits from the Farmlink Project. See Exhibit B.

Independent Third-Party Verification of Company Data and Carbon Neutrality Statement: None.

Date of Disclosure: January 1, 2024

#### Exhibit A

# Jefferies Corporate Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Reporting<sup>1</sup>

(IN METRIC TONS OF CO2e)	2020	2021
Scope 1 & 2		
Scope 1 (including mobile emissions and natural gas)	1,186	2,462
Scope 2 (including purchased energy) <sup>2</sup>		
Location Based	5,656	8,117
Market Based	180	447 <sup>3</sup>
Total Scope 1 and Scope 2 Location-based	6,842	10,579
Total Scope 1 and Scope 2 Market-based	1,366	2,909
Scope 3		
Fuel- and Energy-Related Activities (Location-based)	1,721	2,486
Business Travel	6,778	4,423
ELECTRICITY		
Total Electricity Consumed (MWh)	19,508	24,0314
Percent Renewable Electricity (reflecting EAC purchases)	98%	100%
Energy Attribute Certificates (EACs) Purchased (including RECs, GOs, iRECS)	19,206	24,031 <sup>5</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Emissions factors utilized: U.S. EPA's Emissions & Generation Resource Integrated Database (eGRID) 2018 — eGRID2018 (released in 2021), 2020 and 2021 — eGRID 2020 (released 2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Remaining market-based Scope 2 emissions were offset using carbon credits.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In 2021, two additional co-located data centers were added, contributing to the increase in electricity consumption when compared to the previous year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Environmental Attribute Certificate purchases have been made prior to publication of this report but certificate retirements will occur in March and November 2023.

## Exhibit B

» Business entity selling the offset and the offset registry or program; The Farmlink Project

» Project name and project identification number, if applicable; VCS 2002

» The offset project type, including whether the offsets were derived from carbon removal, avoided emissions, or a combination of both;

Wind, Avoided emissions

» Project site location;

Thailand

» The specific protocol used to estimate removal benefits and/or emission reductions;

ACM0002

» Independent third party has verified the underlying data and claim.

Verified Carbon Standard