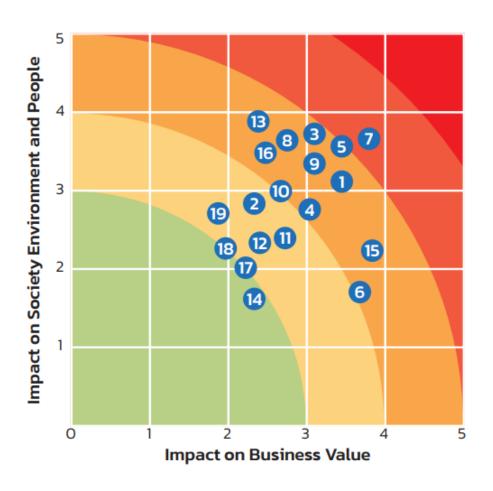
# CP Axtra's 2023 Double Material Analysis Report



## 2023 Materiality Analysis Summary



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#### Materiality Analysis

The materiality assessment is conducted annually basis to consider the topic of the Company's activities, business value creation, external stakeholder impacts, and concerns from engagement, through the following process:



Stage 1

Identify both negative and positive material issues by internal and external stakeholders Identifies ESG material issues both positive and/or negative impacts, actual or potential impact on economy, environment, people including human rights. The material are collected from external and internal stakeholders through multi engagement channels such as the annual ESG' engagement survey, compliant. Altogether with the actual ESG performance i.e accident case, breach case, Human rights risk assessment etc. The context review from global standard and ESG indices and guidelines i.e, GRI, SDG, CDP, S&P CSA, FTSE4Goods, SASB, TH-ESG Rating etc.



Stage 2

Prioritize the most significant impact for reporting The materiality issues are prioritization is based on the principle of double materiality to ensure impact to stakeholder and business are considered. Also rating by both internal and external stakeholders (179 persons)<sup>(1)</sup> for level of impact of both Enterprise Value Creation and Long-term impact of social, environment and people in team of risk severity and likelihood.



Stage 3

The materiality are verified by the third-party assurance (LRQA). The assurance document is shown on last page of this report. The material assessment result signed off by BOD.

Validation by 3<sup>rd</sup> party



Stage 4

Integrated to company's ERM process

All significant ESG materials are integrated into the Company's Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) and shown on the company's risk map and tracking within the online platform. The risk steering committee quarterly monitored progress and by BOD at least once per year.

#### Stakeholder along the Value Chain Direct



Shareholders and Investors



**Employees** 



Customers and Entrepreneurs



Supplier (including local SME and farmer)



Contractors



Community and Society



Financial Institutions

Indirect



Government



Mass Media



ESG Rating Agency & NGO

#### Annual Stakeholder\s ESG Engagement Survey

in May 2023, the annual stakeholder engagement survey from 179 people as



Employee 57%



28%

St Co



Supplier & S Contractor



SME & Farmer 3%





Government 2%



2%

Shareholder & investor



NGO 2%

### Identify the material issue from Stakeholder Engagement Channels

The feedback from the variable engagement channel will be collected and considered to the material issue. The negative feedback i.e., complaint, number of breach case, incident etc. The result will be counted as the negative issue. In the other hand, the positive feedback as suggestion and expectation from external stakeholder are considered either. Also the performance gap or significant change that potentially impact to ESG management system such as the migrant worker hiring in store which are review for human rights, non-discrimination, labor practice and living wage and safe work condition etc.

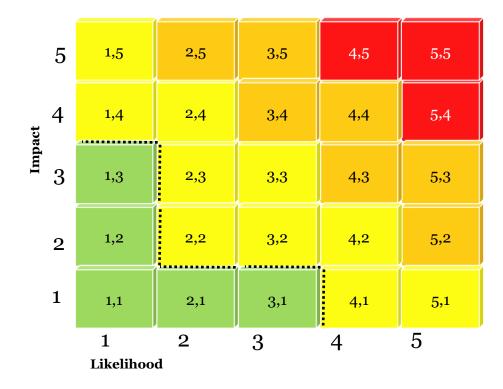
| Stakeholders  | Engagement Channels  | Expectations / Impact / Performance gap  | Materiality Issue  |
|---|--|--|--|
| Shareholders<br>and Investors<br>(External stakeholder) | <ul> <li>Annual General Meeting<br/>of Shareholders (AGM).</li> <li>Quarterly Analysts Meeting.</li> <li>Investor meeting.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Accurate, complete, and timely information disclosure.</li> <li>transparency Management.</li> <li>Protect shareholder's rights.</li> <li>Business growth &amp; Competitiveness.</li> <li>Comply with Stock market's new CG and transparency disclosure.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Corporate Governance.</li> <li>Stakeholder engagement.</li> <li>Innovation product &amp; service.</li> <li>Cybersecurity &amp; data privacy.</li> </ul>   |
| Employees<br>(Internal stakeholder)                     | <ul> <li>Annual ESG engagement survey.</li> <li>Whistleblowing, Suggestion box, website, and hotline.</li> <li>Annual employee engagement survey.</li> <li>Quarterly meetings of Welfare Committee.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Benefit, Welfare, Compensation, and Career Growth.</li> <li>Safe working condition and equipment.</li> <li>Work Life Balance and Flexible working hours.</li> <li>Upskill and reskill for modern competency.</li> <li>Equality, non-discrimination diversity and inclusion for migrant worker at store.</li> </ul>              | Human rights - Non-Discrimination. Health & Safety. Human capital development. Human rights - migrant workers at store (NEW). Human rights - Discrimination (NEW).   |
| Customers<br>(External stakeholder)                     | <ul> <li>Annual ESG engagement survey.</li> <li>Complaint channels as website,<br/>customer service call center<br/>and customer interviews.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Ontime delivery with safe, quality and promote health.</li> <li>Affordable food prices.</li> <li>Stock availability.</li> <li>Reliable &amp; traceable product label &amp; information.</li> <li>Personal data protection.</li> <li>Product and service that support the competitiveness for entrepreneur customers.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Supply chain management.</li> <li>Health &amp; Well Being product.</li> <li>Innovative product &amp; service.</li> <li>Cyber security and data privacy.</li> <li>Education &amp; inequality reduction.</li> </ul> |

| Stakeholders                                       | Engagement Channels   | Expectations / Impact / Performance gap   | Materiality Issue  |
|--|---|---|--|
| Suppliers<br>(External stakeholder)                | <ul> <li>Annual ESG engagement survey.</li> <li>Supplier audit and capacity-building program.</li> <li>Onsite visits and audits.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Support agricultural products local SME and farmer.</li> <li>Fairness and transparency supplier selection process.</li> <li>Better understand the certified sustainable agriculture product requirement.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Job creation and local SME and farmer.</li> <li>Stakeholder engagement.</li> <li>Supply chain management.</li> </ul>  |
| Contractors<br>(External stakeholder)              | <ul> <li>Annual ESG engagement survey Complaint and suggestions channels.</li> <li>Monthly meeting.</li> <li>Onsite visits.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Selection and encourage business partners with transparency.</li> <li>Better understand the human rights and labor practice in Supplier's Code of Conduct manual.</li> <li>Knowledge sharing for road accident prevention.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Job creation for small local service company and worker.</li> <li>Supply chain management.</li> <li>Human rights &amp; Labor practice.</li> <li>Health &amp; Safety - Road safety.</li> </ul>   |
| Community<br>and Society<br>(External stakeholder) | <ul> <li>Annual ESG engagement survey.</li> <li>Communication channels via Makro's website, social media, call center.</li> <li>Complaint channels for suggestions and complaints.</li> <li>Dialogue / Monthly visits.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Collaborative with local firms to develop and support communities.</li> <li>Job and carrier opportunities for local community members.</li> <li>Protection of accident and environmental impact on the community.</li> <li>CSR activities / donations / continuous support for disaster.</li> <li>Support for student's education in community.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Social impact Job creation and economy contribution.</li> <li>Waste water &amp; waste management.</li> <li>Health &amp; Safety.</li> <li>Food security and access to nutrition.</li> <li>Education &amp; inequality reduction.</li> </ul> |
| Financial Institutions<br>(External stakeholder)   | <ul> <li>Key contact email and phone number.</li> <li>Regular meetings.</li> <li>Performance reports such as annual reports and financial statements.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Strict compliance with accuracy, transparency, and punctuality principles.</li> <li>Compliance with contractual terms and conditions.</li> <li>Climate change target and action.</li> <li>Encourage environmental and social support to local farmer.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Corporate Governance.</li> <li>Job creation and economy impact to local.</li> <li>Climate resilience and GHG reduction.</li> </ul>  |

| Stakeholders  | Engagement Channels   | Expectations / Impact / Performance gap   | Materiality Issue   |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| Government<br>(External stakeholder)                | <ul> <li>Organize meetings with<br/>the government agencies.</li> <li>Open for government agencies visits.</li> <li>Collaborative agreements with<br/>government agencies.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Compliance with legal and regulation.</li> <li>Support activities beneficial to the community, society, and the environment.</li> <li>Encourage BCG Model and protect natural resource.</li> <li>Encourage and protection of human right in among value chain.</li> <li>Collaboration to prevent food shortage from demand and supply including control or reduce price for end user during economic concern.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Corporate Governance.</li> <li>Supply chain management.</li> <li>Human Rights &amp; Labor Practice.</li> <li>Circular Economy.</li> <li>Climate Resilience.</li> <li>Water stewardship.</li> <li>Food security &amp; Access to Nutrition.</li> </ul>               |  |  |
| Media<br>(External stakeholder)                     | <ul> <li>Annual ESG engagement survey.</li> <li>Communication channels such as website, social media, email, and TV programs.</li> <li>Interview press releases.</li> </ul>           | Communicate relevant, factual, and timely performance.     Strategy for business impact on the economy and society.   | Corporate governance - transparent.     Social impact and economic contribution.  |  |  |
| ESG Rating<br>Agency & NGO<br>External stakeholder) | <ul> <li>Meetings to discuss<br/>and exchange information.</li> <li>Research and discussion.</li> <li>Participate disclosure and<br/>rating program.</li> </ul>                       | <ul> <li>Human rights along supply chain.</li> <li>Supplier screening with ESG criteria.</li> <li>Carbon reduction strategy in own operation and supply chain.</li> <li>TNFD disclosure.</li> <li>Prevent ocean plastic waste.</li> <li>Promote the gender equity in supply chain.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Supply chain management.</li> <li>Climate resilience.</li> <li>Sustainable packaging.</li> <li>Biodiversity &amp; ecosystem protection.</li> <li>Human rights - Indigenous (New).</li> <li>Human rights - Non discrimination in the supply chain (New).</li> </ul> |  |  |

## Likelihood

| Rating      | Rare (1)  | Unlikely (2)                              | Possible (3)    | Likely (4)                     | Almost certain (5)                                       |
|-------------|---|---|-----------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Qualitative | Quite certain not to occurred.                    | Not likely to occur in normal situations. | I or has occ    |                                | Quite certain to occur, or high frequency of occurrence. |
| Frequency   | Never occurred, or up to once in 3 or more years. | Once in 1 to 3 years.                     | Once in a year. | Once in 6 months up to 1 year. | Once every month.  |
| Possibility | <10% chance of occurrence                         | 10-40%                                    | 41-60%          | 61-90%                         | >90%   |



## Impact

| Impacts                      | Insignificant (1)                      | Minor (2)   | Medium (3)   | Major (4)  | Critical (5)   |
|------------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|
|                              |  | Fina  | ncial  |  |  |
| Financial loss Up to 5M      |  | >5-10MB   | >10-15MB   | >15-20MB   | >20MB  |
| Impact on profit             | Decrease <1%                           | 1-2%  | >2-5%  | >5-10%   | >10%   |
| Cash flow impact             | No impact                              | Can cover by operating May be affected                                      |  | Imminent cash<br>flow problems                   | Has cash flow problems   |
|                              |  | Non-F   | inancial   |  |  |
| Image &<br>Reputation        | Local media<br>attention, no<br>impact | Local media<br>coverage in a few<br>days                                    | National negative<br>media coverage<br>1-3 days          | National negative<br>media coverage<br>>3 days   | International<br>negative media<br>coverage, and<br>social media |
| No report to regulator       |  | Reportable<br>incident to<br>authorised<br>parties, no follow<br>up actions | Report to local<br>governor with<br>immediate<br>actions | Report to<br>regulator for<br>corrective actions | Significant prosecution & fines                                  |
| Safety &<br>Environment      | First aid<br>treatment                 | Medical treatment<br>injury   | Single lost time injury                                  | Multiple lost time<br>injuries                   | Fatalities   |
| Environment Very low impacts |  | Low impacts   | Moderate and<br>internal impacts                         | Major impacts                                    | Severe impact<br>incidents, affect<br>to external parties        |
| Community                    | Isolated<br>complaint                  | Sporadic or<br>multiple<br>complaints                                       | Repeatable or<br>serious of<br>complaints                | Ongoing<br>complaints from<br>concerned parties  | High concern<br>from various<br>parties                          |

## **2023 CP Axtra's Materiality Analysis**

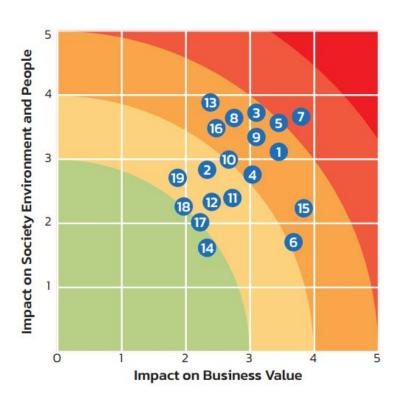
|        |                                  | Business Impact   |              |       | Stakeholder       |              |       |       |
|--------|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------|-------------------|--------------|-------|-------|
|        |                                  | Severity / Profit |              |       | Impact/Ex         |              |       | Total |
| Item 9 | Materiality                      |                   | Likelihood   | Score | Severity / Profit | Likelihood   | Score | Score |
| 1      | Governance                       | - Major (4)       | Possible (2) | 8     | Major (4)         | Possible (3) | 9     | 18    |
| 2      | Human rights-Employee            | - Major (4)       | Rare (1)     | 4     |                   |              | 6     | 10    |
| 3      | Human rights-Vendor/ Supplier    |                   |              |       | Major (4)         | Possible (3) | 9     | 15    |
| 4      | Health & Safety-Employee (♠)     | - Major (4)       | Possible (3) | 12    |                   |              | 12    | 21    |
| 5      | Health & Safety-Vendor/ Supplier |                   |              |       | Critical (5)      | Likely (4)   | 20    | 22    |
| 6      | Leadership development           | + Major (4)       | Possible (3) | 12    | Minor (2)         | Possible (2) | 4     | 10    |
| 7      | Cybersecurity & Data protection  | - Critical (5)    | Possible (3) | 15    | Critical (4)      | Possible (3) | 12    | 27    |
| 8      | Climate resilience               | - Major (4)       | Possible (3) | 12    | Major (4)         | Possible (3) | 12    | 24    |
| 9      | Food waste to landfill           | - Major (4)       | Likely (4)   | 16    | Medium (3)        | Possible (3) | 9     | 18    |
| 10     | Plastic waste (CE) (+)           | - Minor (2)       | Possible (3) | 6     | Major (4)         | Possible (3) | 9     | 12    |
| 11     | Water stewardship                | - Minor (2)       | Unlikely (2) | 4     | Minor (2)         | Unlikely (2) | 4     | 8     |
| 12     | Biodiversity                     | - Minor (2)       | Rare (1)     | 2     | Minor (2)         | Unlikely (2) | 2     | 4     |
| 13     | Responsible Supply Chain (♦)     | + Major (4)       | Possible (3) | 9     | Minor (2)         | Likely (3)   | 6     | 15    |
| 14     | Education to public              | + Major (4)       | Possible (3) | +4    | Minor (2)         | Unlikely (2) | 4     | 8     |
| 15     | H&W Being product                | + Major (4)       | Possible (3) | 4     | Minor (2)         | Possible (2) | 4     | 8     |
| 16     | Social Impact (Job creation)     | + Minor (2)       | Rare (1)     | 2     | + Major (4)       | High (3)     | 9     | 11    |
| 17     | Food security                    | + Minor (2)       | Rare (1)     | 2     | + Minor (2)       | Rare (1)     | 4     | 6     |
| 18     | Innovation                       | + Minor (2)       | Possible (3) | 4     | + Minor (2)       | Unlikely (2) | 4     | 8     |
| 19     | Stakeholder Engagement           | + Minor (2)       | Unlikely (2) | 4     | + Minor (2)       | Unlikely (2) | 4     | 8     |



## 2023 ESG RISK ASSESESSMENT RESULTS (16 May 2023)

### Priority materiality issue

The materiality issue are follow GRI 2021 methodology, analyzed by using the Company's ERM criteria as severity and likelihood, risks map and integrated within the company's risk management process by being the risk assessment to review the impact in both financial and non-financial impact.



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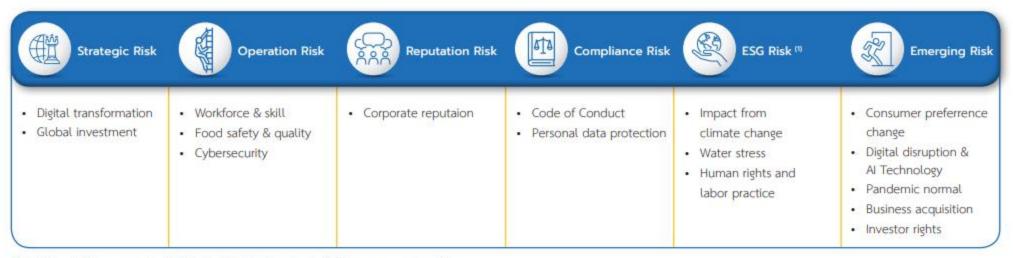
## Summary prioritized material issue, impact and responding strategy

| Material issue                   | Actual<br>impact | Potential<br>impact | Negative<br>impact | Positive<br>impact | Impact to<br>Social | Impact to<br>Environment | Impact to<br>People | Impact to<br>Business value | Strategy & Target  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Cybersecurity &<br>data privacy  |                  | •                   | •                  |                    | •                   |                          |                     | •                           | Zero damage of cyber attack or breach case of data protection.   |
| Health &<br>Safety - Road safety | •                |                     | •                  |                    |                     |                          | •                   |                             | 100% transportation<br>vendor are trained and passed<br>the defensive driving training<br>within 2023                          |
| Supply Chain<br>management       | •                |                     |                    | •                  | •                   | •                        |                     | •                           | 100% tier 1 and non tier 1 supplier passed ESG screening within 2024 2% increasing the certified product per total purchasing. |

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|---|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Climate resilience                        | •                |                     | •                  |                    |                     | •                        |                     | •                           | Energy transition to solar cell,<br>BEV vehicle and H2 Fuel cell<br>within 2030  |
| Food waste<br>to landfill                 | •                |                     | •                  |                    |                     | •                        |                     | •                           | Zero food waste to landfill<br>within 2030   |
| Health & Well Being<br>product            | •                |                     |                    | •                  | •                   |                          |                     | •                           | <b>70%</b> of total sales volume from<br>the product or service that promote<br>health and wellbeing for our<br>customer's daily needs within 2030 |
| Leadership & human<br>capital development | •                |                     |                    | •                  |                     |                          |                     | •                           | 100% of employee engaged in learning and development program within 2023   |
| Social impact &<br>Job creation           | •                |                     |                    | •                  | •                   |                          |                     |                             | 400,000 jobs supported to generate incomes for the community within 2030   |
| Food security and access to nutrition     | •                |                     |                    | •                  | •                   |                          |                     | •                           | <b>150,000</b> children and people in need get access to safe and nutrition food within 2030   |
| Human rights -<br>migrant worker<br>(New) |                  | •                   | •                  |                    |                     |                          | •                   |                             | 100% human rights of migrant<br>worker are assessed through<br>HRDD process and complete<br>the mitigation plan within 2023                        |
| Corporate<br>Governance                   |                  | •                   | •                  | •                  | •                   |                          |                     | •                           | 100% workers are communicated<br>Code of conduct and trained CG<br>within 2023   |

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|---|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Sustainable<br>packaging                              | •                |                     | •                  |                    |                     | •                        |                     |                             | 100% plastic packaging are recycled 10% increasing of packaging from recycle within 2023                              |
| Education to public                                   | •                |                     |                    | •                  | •                   |                          |                     |                             | <b>150,000</b> people supported through education and lifelong learning and upskilling.                               |
| Human rights -<br>Non discrimation<br>in supply chain |                  | •                   | •                  |                    |                     |                          | •                   |                             | 100% critical supplier (tier 1 & non tier 1) has audited the gender equality or non-discrimination policy within 2025 |
| Health & Safety -<br>workplace                        | •                |                     | •                  |                    |                     |                          | •                   |                             | Fatality rate and severe lost time injury rate < <b>0.50</b> within 2030  |
| Water stewardship                                     |                  | •                   | •                  |                    |                     | •                        |                     |                             | 20% water consumption reduction within 2030 compared baseline 2020  |
| Biodiversity  |                  | •                   | •                  |                    |                     | •                        |                     |                             | 100% high risk activities in supply chain are assessed the biodiversity risk within 2025                              |
| Stakeholder<br>engagement                             |                  | •                   |                    | •                  |                     |                          |                     | •                           | stakeholder engagement score is higher than <b>80%</b> within 2023  |
| Innovation  |                  | •                   |                    | •                  |                     |                          |                     | •                           | Own at least <b>3</b> Patents of business<br>model, process, product or<br>equipment within 2025                      |

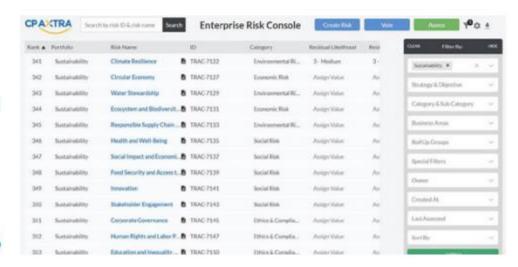
#### Integrated ESG Risk into Enterprise Risk Management



Note: [1] For all of the company's risk including ESG risk in the chapter 2: Risk management page 85

All materiality issues are integrated into the Company's Risk Management System. In 2023, the ERM platform is implemented as tool for executive management the efficiently tracking the data, more effective risk management. This system enables real time access to risk management information for BU management team including provide risk evaluation tools tailored to each unit's objectives, updating the risk level and demonstrate as the digitalized dashboard impact for the risk steering committee review and follow the action. The Company's risk including ESG Risk will be reviewed quarterly.







### **LRQA Independent Assurance Statement**

#### Relating to CP Axtra Public Company Limited's Sustainability Report for the calendar year 2023

This Assurance Statement has been prepared for CP Axtra Public Company Limited (CP Axtra) in accordance with our contract but is intended for the readers of this Report.

#### Terms of Engagement

LRQA (Thailand) Limited (LRQA) was commissioned by CP Axtra Public Company Limited (CP Axtra) to provide independent assurance on its Sustainability Report 2023 "the report" against the assurance criteria below to a moderate level of assurance and at the materiality of the professional judgement of the verifier, using AccountAbility's AA1000AS v3, where the scope was a Type 2 engagement.

Our assurance engagement covered CP Axtra's subsidiaries in Thailand, and specifically the following requirements:

- Evaluating CP Axtra's adherence to AA1000 AccountAbility Principles (2018) of Inclusivity, Materiality, Responsiveness and Impact.
- Confirming that the report is in accordance with GRI Standards<sup>1</sup>(2021).
- Reviewing the double materiality assessment process, Codes of conduct and compliance system and breach reporting and integrity of CP Axtra's supplier ESG screening and assessment process.
- · Evaluating the reliability of data and information for only the selected indicators listed below:
- Environmental
- GRI 302-1 Energy consumption within the organization, GRI 302-3 Energy intensity, GRI 303-3 to 5 Water withdrawal, discharge and consumption, GRI 305-1 Direct (scope 1) GHG emissions, GRI 305-2 Energy indirect (scope 2) GHG emissions (Furnasing Goods & services, Upstream, Downstream transportation and distribution, Business travel, Employee commuting, and Downstream leased only), GRI 305-4 GHG emissions intensity, (GRI 306-3 to 5) Waste generated/diverted from disposal and direct to disposal and food loss & waste.
- Social:

GRI 2-6 Activities, value chain and other business relationships, GRI 308-2 Negative environmental impacts in the supply chain and actions taken, GRI 403-9 to 10 Work-related injuries and ill health, GRI 405-2 Ratio of basic salary and remuneration of women to men and GRI 414-2 Negative social impacts in the supply chain and actions taken.

Our assurance engagement excluded the data and information of CP Axtra's subsidiaries within Thailand where it has no operational control, all operations and activities outside of Thailand and suppliers and any third-parties mentioned in the report.

LRQA's responsibility is only to CP Axtra. LRQA disclaims any liability or responsibility to others as explained in the end footnote. CP Axtra's responsibility is for collecting, aggregating, analysing and presenting all the data and information within the report and for maintaining effective internal controls over the systems from which the report is derived. Ultimately, the report has been approved by, and remains the responsibility of CP Axtra.

#### LRQA's Opinion

Based on LRQA's approach nothing has come to our attention that would cause us to believe that CP Axtra has not, in all material respects:

- Met the requirements above.
- · Disclosed reliable performance data and information for the selected indicators as no errors or omissions were detected.
- Covered all the issues that are important to the stakeholders and readers of this report.

The opinion expressed is formed on the basis of a moderate level of assurance and at the materiality of the professional judgement of the verifier.

Note: The extent of evidence-gathering for a moderate level of assurance engagement is less than for a high level of assurance engagement. Moderate assurance engagements focus on aggregated data rather than physically checking source data at sites. Consequently, the level of assurance obtained in a moderate assurance engagement is substantially lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had a high assurance engagement been performed.

#### LRQA's approach

LRQA's assurance engagements are carried out in accordance with AA1000AS v3. The following tasks though were undertaken as part of the evidence gathering process for this assurance engagement:



- Assessing CP Axtra's approach to stakeholder engagement to confirm that issues raised by stakeholders were captured
  correctly. We did this by interviewing CP Axtra's management who engage directly with stakeholder groups as well as
  reviewing documents and associated records.
- Reviewing CP Axtra's process for identifying and determining material issues to confirm that the right issues were included
  in their report. We did this by benchmarking reports written by CP Axtra and its peers to ensure that sector specific issues
  were included for comparability. We also tested the filters used in determining material issues to evaluate whether CP
  Axtra makes informed business decisions that may create opportunities which contribute towards sustainable
  development.
- Auditing CP Astra's data management systems to confirm that there were no significant errors, omissions or misstatements in the report. We did this by reviewing the effectiveness of data handling process, and systems, including those for internal verification. We also spoke with key people in various departments responsible for compiling the data and drafting the report.
- Visiting CP Autra's operations as business representative (Makro Srinakarindra (1) store and Mahachai distribution centre;
   Lotus Phanomsarakham and Suphanburi stores and Bang Bua Tong distribution centre) to sample performance data and information for only the selected indicators to confirm its reliability.

#### Observations

Further observations and findings, made during the assurance engagement, are:

- Stakeholder inclusivity:
  - We are not aware of any key stakeholder groups that have been excluded from CP Axtra's stakeholder engagement process. Stakeholders have the opportunity to express their concerns about how CP Axtra's operations may impact on them.
- Materiality:

We are not aware of any material issues concerning CP Axtra's sustainability performance that have been excluded from the report. CP Axtra has processes for identifying and determining material issues from either ESG impact or financial materiality accordingly.

- Responsiveness:
- CP Axtra has addressed and response the concerns of stakeholders in relation to GHG emissions and OH&S.
- Impact:

CP Axtra has processes to evaluate negative impacts from its operations included packaging and food loss/waste.

Reliability:

Data management systems are considered to be well defined, but the implementation of these systems varies across CP Axtra's business unit. CP Axtra should consider interim verification to further improve the reliability and of its disclosed data and information.

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