

CALIFORNIA CLIMATE CORPORATE DATA ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (SB 253)

Prepare for Compliance.

Identify all business entities and inventory emissions sources across operations.

Measure & Strategize.

Quantify Scope GHG emissions and develop path to disclosure compliance.

Verify & Complete Compliance.

Verify data with third-party verifier and prepare for next reporting cycle.



COVERED ENTITIES

Companies that do business in CA who made over \$1 billion in revenue in the prior fiscal year.



REQUIREMENTS

Emissions: Publicly disclose the entity's Scope 1, 2, and 3 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions.

Data Assurance: Limited & reasonable assurance will be required pending policy finalization by CARB.



DEADLINES

Scope 1 & 2: August 10, 2026, annually thereafter.
Scope 3: 2027, annually thereafter.

Data Assurance: A limited assurance requirement is expected for Scope 1 & 2 reports in 2027.

Further assurance standards are under review.

Deadlines are pending finalization by CARB.



PENALTIES

Failure to report will result in a \$500,000 penalty.

RELEVANT SERVICES

- Benchmarking
- BPS Compliance
- Building Audits
- Owner's Rep
- Data Verification
- Carbon Accounting
- Decarbonization
- Incentive Management

QUALIFICATIONS

- ENERGY STAR® Partner
- Certified Energy Manager (CEM)
- LEED®
- Carbon Auditing Professional (CAP)



VCA Green is a trusted sustainability partner delivering comprehensive building life cycle services. We specialize in energy modeling, code compliance, green certifications, field verification, benchmarking, and performance reporting. Our diverse team provides scalable solutions that reduce risk, accelerate ROI, and deliver a competitive advantage to commercial real estate. As part of the VCA family of companies, our growing presence nationwide positions us as a trusted partner in sustainable building practices.