

PepsiCo Australia moves to 100% renewable electricity

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Sydney, AUSTRALIA, 16, DECEMBER 2021: [PepsiCo Australia](#), the makers of Smith's, Red Rock Deli and Doritos announced today it has changed to 100% renewable electricity across all of its operations including its Chatswood headquarters and manufacturing sites at Regency Park in SA, Tingalpa in QLD and Forrestfield in WA.

The move will reduce PepsiCo's carbon emissions by around 26,000 tonnes of CO2 per year – the equivalent to the annual electricity usage of 6,950 homes. Australia is one of PepsiCo's first 15 markets globally to switch to 100% renewable electricity as part of its ambition to achieve net zero emissions by 2040, and is well ahead of the company target to only use renewable electricity in its direct operations by 2030.

PepsiCo Australia is focussed on achieving its global emission reduction targets by moving away from fossil fuels and is actively investigating initiatives such as converting organic waste into bio-methane, converting its fleet to EV or hydrogen and decarbonising its snack manufacturing processes.

To meet the new renewable electricity target, PepsiCo has partnered with [ENGIE](#) and the Northam Solar Farm to access Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) that support a range of wind and solar farms across Australia and which represents the first large-scale PPA for the Northam Solar Farm. The PPAs will integrate with PepsiCo's current and planned on-site solar panel installations and the purchasing of large-scale generation certificates (LGCs).

The Northam Solar Farm was developed in partnership between Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) and Bookitja Pty Ltd as trustee of the Ngangk Trust, who are part of the Whadjuk Foundation Inc which aims to provide a sustainable economic base for future generations of the Whadjuk people, who reside in the Perth region.

The PPA will be facilitated through a Electricity Supply Agreement with WA based electricity retailer Change Energy. Change Energy will manage the Renewable Energy Certificate compliance, network connections and provide additional wholesale energy requirements to the Forrestfield Site.

Danny Celoni, CEO of PepsiCo Australia and New Zealand said: "Climate change is one of the most pressing concerns facing our global food system and we're committed to working across our value chain to reduce emissions. The move to renewable electricity is positive for our business and for the local economy. We are pleased to support sustainable initiatives that create local jobs and proud to partner with IBA and Bookitja through the Northam Solar Farm, which aims to provide a sustainable economic base for future generations of Whadjuk people".

"Australian consumers care about how companies are responding to climate change. The agreements are a great step forward in achieving our goal of net zero emissions by 2040."

Augustin Honorat, CEO of ENGIE Australia and New Zealand said: "We are very excited to be supporting another leading global brand's drive towards net zero emissions. Through this agreement PepsiCo's customers in Australia will know that their favourite snacks have been produced using sustainable electricity".

Stella de Cos, Acting Executive Director, Government and Public Relations, IBA, noted that the investment in renewable energy will provide returns that will be reinvested to benefit and create investment opportunities for Indigenous Australians.

“The Northam Solar Farm consists of 33,600 solar panels and is constructed over 25 hectares to provide renewable, sustainable, zero emission electricity powered by Western Australia’s Wheatbelt sunshine.”

“The agreement with PepsiCo Australia is the first PPA on this project and the first large-scale solar farm for IBA. We look forward to doing more in the renewable space with a view to Indigenous communities maximising their land resources,” he said.

PepsiCo is a member of [RE100](#), a global renewable energy initiative led by The Climate Group and CDP, bringing together large business with a shared commitment to renewable electricity.

Jon Dee, RE100 Australia Coordinator, said: “Research shows that Australians want real action on climate change. On that front, PepsiCo are delivering what the public want. Every time Australians eat PepsiCo products, those products will have been made using 100% renewable electricity. That’s the kind of result that people want to see”.

“Companies that join RE100 pledge to go 100% renewable with their electricity use by a set date. Here in Australia, PepsiCo is one of 110 major companies that have joined RE100. By successfully completing their transition to 100% renewable electricity, PepsiCo has demonstrated a high level of commitment to sustainability and it’s set a positive example for other companies to follow.”

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