

# Climate Policy

## Direct Source International

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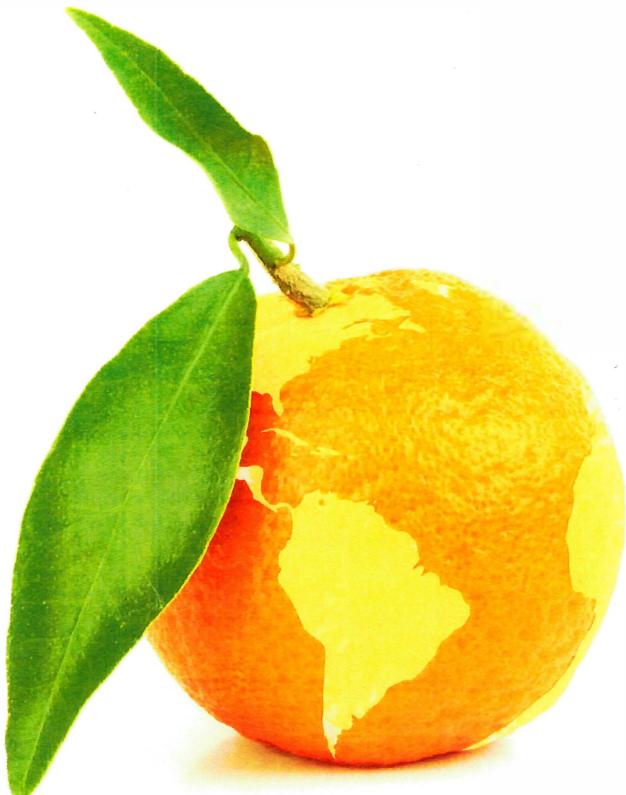
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Our scope defines the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions belonging to the ranges which Direct Source International has imported for retailer PLUs in 2020 was chosen as the baseline year, from this baseline the reduction plan was formed. Our reduction plan will be used in the coming years to work towards the 25% target. The 25% rate commits us to a 2.5% reduction per year. Together with CNG, we review annually whether the target for that year has been achieved.

## Our GHG reduction targets

We keep moving forward. A motto that never fails to inspire us. We try to put this motto into practice every day, embracing initiatives by our employees and in the communities where we operate.

In 2021, we started a partnership with CO2 Correct. Together with this company we began compensating the carbon impact of the products that we sell under the CO2 Correct label. This label shows that the CO2 impact of the purchased fruit is compensated. Through this label sustainability is more accessible and visible to the consumers. At the beginning of 2022 we started to cooperate with Climate Neutral Group. With this collaboration we hope to make a real difference in this world. Our goal is not only to reduce CO2, but also to contribute to a more sustainable world in the future. Sustainability is one of the core values of Direct Source International, and is a central theme within our company.

The scope for which Direct Source International is certified is initially the ranges from our suppliers. In the future we hope to offer a complete CO2 neutral citrusfruit assortment, which includes at least mandarins and lemons (approx. 90% of retail stores citrusfruit volume).

The management of DSI is involved on a daily basis by discussing sustainability with our buyers and suppliers. By internal meetings the management is involved through updates by the Climate Neutral team members to make the sustainability process of our products as effective and efficient as possible.

## Introduction

Direct Source International (DSI) has been working for years to make growing and supplying fruit more sustainable. To achieve this goal, the entire supply chain and DSI enterprise needs to contribute to this

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The image displays four logos side-by-side. 1. Climate Neutral Group: A blue circle with a white 'N' and the text 'Climate Neutral Group' in blue. 2. CORRECT: A green circle with a white 'C' and the text 'CORRECT' in green. 3. SIFAV: A yellow circle with a white 'S' and the text 'SIFAV' in yellow. 4. BRAVE NEW FOOD: A black circle with a white 'B' and the text 'BRAVE NEW FOOD' in black, with a blue, yellow, and green circular graphic to the right.



We import our fruit from around the world. We are well aware that this has an impact on our (living) environment and that gives us a major responsibility. For our entire chain, we have developed three themes to which DSI actively contributes. Our commitments are: environment, food waste, and better living. We launch various initiatives in these areas.

Initiatives that reduce or offset the impact of our actions on the environment. Every day we look at ways to reduce our CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, search for sustainable packaging methods, and join smart transport initiatives. We are also a driving force behind initiatives to reduce water consumption.

Choosing the right packaging can make a great difference for the environment. That is why we have invested in topsell machines, ensuring that we use 15% less plastic when sealing a tray of grapes.

DSI believes in taking sustainable responsibilities seriously. Moreover, grapes in topsell packaging have a longer shelf life. Compared with traditional packaging. Moreover, grapes in topsell packaging have a longer shelf life.

Reducing food waste: The longer shelf life of products is a strong weapon in the fight against food waste. We are also investigating the possibilities of liquid seals that extend the shelf life of oranges, among others. DSI supports the Food Bank with products that do not find their way to shop shelves fast enough. We also participate in various initiatives that make an important contribution in the fight against food waste. Finally, it goes without saying that we pay close attention to the waste flows in our offices and that we work together to raise awareness and recycle products where possible.

For everyone better living: We are the world. That is why we support projects and initiatives that contribute to a better living environment and the health of people in the Netherlands and in the countries where we operate. They contribute to the vitality of our workforce and raise the standard of living. We also like product innovations that improve the working conditions of workers in the fields.

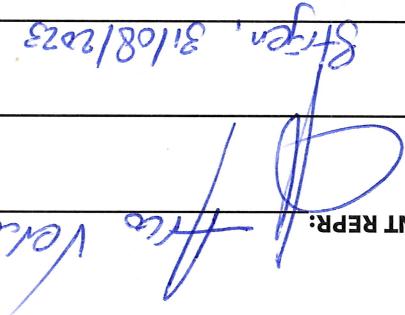
In the Netherlands we also focus on a green working environment and the fitness of our workforce. That is why we look out for each other and for the communities in which we operate. Every year, we make several donations to charities that are close to our hearts. DSI's employees can also make suggestions. In recent years, we have donated to "Pink Ribbon" and "Take care of your Neighbour", among others. We also provide a green, healthier working environment and pay attention to the vitality of our workforce.

Besides above mentioned commitments, we are a proud member of Brave New Food (BNF). Many of their projects and innovations are relevant for us. But our involvement in the Sustainable Fruit and Vegetable Supply Chain, and that fits in perfectly with the DSI philosophy. After all, this requires a joint effort!

Vegetables (SIFAV) is also of added value. This platform promotes a sector-wide approach to sustainability in the global supply chain, and that fits in perfectly with the DSI philosophy. After all, this requires a joint effort!



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Description of reduction measure				
Status (planned or committed)	Envisioned CO2 reduction	Envisioned yr of implementation	CO2 reduction	Creating commitment and awareness with suppliers
Committed	0,001200	2022-2024	0,066000	New sourcing strategy
Planned	0,021600	2025-2032	0,021600	Reduction of pesticides and fertilizers
Planned	0,002400	2024-2027	0,002400	Reduction of post-harvest technologies (fungicides)
Committed	0,002400	2024-2028	0,037100	Solar-energy on farms
Committed	0,006500	2023-2027	0,006500	Optimization of transport in origin country (farm to port)
Committed	0,064900	2023-2030	0,020300	Emission reduction plans for international transport (shipping lines)
Planned	0,000947	2023-2025	0,020300	Improve transport in destination country
Planned	0,001888	2024	0,000947	Renewable energy in storage (green)
Determined	To be determined	To be determined	To be determined	Recycled plastic in consumer packaging nets
Determined	To be determined	To be determined	To be determined	Issueing?

To achieve above GHG reduction targets, we want to implement the following reduction measures:

## Our climate ambition

