



The Climate Registry

Climate Registered & Water-Energy Leadership Program Updates

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1. Why did TCR make these changes?

We added these changes to clarify requirements around base years and goal setting for Platinum and All Star members. In addition, we wanted to expand recognition opportunities for members who verify their inventories but do not yet meet the requirements for Platinum and All Star status.

2. Do I have to apply for Climate Registered recognition, or will TCR automatically award the appropriate level of recognition based on my reporting record?

TCR will automatically grant Gold status to all members who have completed verification. All other Climate Registered recognition levels require an application.

2a. Do I have to apply for Water-Energy Leader and Climate-Registered recognition separately?

No, Carbon Footprint Registry members who also report to the Water-Energy Nexus Registry may submit one application and simply check the box for “Consider my inventory for Water-Energy Leader status.”

3. Will our CRIS reports feature the relevant Climate Registered logo?

Yes. TCR will be rolling out an update to CRIS reports so that the Gold, Platinum, or All Star logo(as relevant) is included on your public CRIS report once you have attained that level of recognition.

4. How else will our Climate Registered status be promoted by TCR?

TCR will include a member’s Climate Registered status and a link to their public report (if applicable) on the [List of Members](#) on TCR’s website. Members will also be recognized in TCR’s newsletter. Both Platinum and All Star members will be eligible for a social media campaign and to participate in a case study.

5. How should I communicate my status to my stakeholders?

TCR provides a media kit for press releases and social media posts.

Clarification on base years and goal achievement

An achievement that is submitted for recognition is specifically tied to the emission or reporting year in which it was achieved. For example, if a member achieves Climate Registered Gold for their 2018 inventory, that emission year is forever Gold and the status never expires.

As part of the changes, TCR is adding clarifications surrounding base years. To have a base year officially recognized by TCR, members will need to submit a base year/goal-setting form as part of their inventory submission.

Does my base year inventory need to be verified?

No. However, if the base year inventory is not third-party verified through TCR, the emissions must be publicly disclosed and documented. If this is the case, please provide documentation where the base year emissions are disclosed (e.g., sustainability report, CDP submission, annual report, website).

We have achieved our GHG reduction goal before our target year. Do we need to set a new goal to maintain our All Star status?

Members who achieve a GHG reduction goal early can retain their All Star for up to three years. For example, if an organization sets a completion target year of 2025 but achieves it in 2022, then they would be able to maintain their All Star status until 2025. In 2025, they would be required to submit a new goal in order to qualify for Platinum.