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A Smarter Way to Move: For You and the Planet

Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance

We're excited to share our latest efforts in sustainability and global expansion. In a time when environmental challenges are on the rise, Cend and Affinity Vaults are committed to reducing our carbon footprint and setting new industry standards through innovative practices.

In this report, we'll outline our initiatives to lessen our environmental impact including carbon offsetting, sustainable container practices, and route optimization. Our dedication to environmental stewardship is evident in our support of renewable energy, forestry, energy efficiency, tree planting, and water restoration projects which are all aimed at achieving carbon neutrality. Cend and Affinity are proud to join the Climate Pledge, alongside industry leaders, committing to carbon neutrality by 2040. Our commitment extends beyond the environment; we're doubling down on supporting our Ukrainian team amidst geopolitical challenges.

Looking ahead, together we envision a future of global expansion, wherein our environmentally sustainable practices serve as a blueprint for industries worldwide. With plans to replicate our successful ESG model on a global scale, we are poised to spearhead a paradigm shift towards sustainable business practices on a global scale.

With unwavering dedication and innovative strategies, Cend and Affinity are committed to leading the charge towards a more sustainable future, one carbon-neutral move at a time.

Sustainable Containers: Built to Last, Designed for Efficiency

Traditional moving materials create unnecessary landfill waste, but Affinity Vaults are built with sustainability in mind.

Each patented container is made from recycled materials and designed to last up to 20 years. When it's time to retire them, they are fully recyclable, feeding back into the circular economy.

Plus, every container comes equipped with van line moving pads and logistics straps—offering superior protection while eliminating the waste of outdated paper pads.

With two size options, our containers maximize efficiency for every type of move.



CARBON SHARE

In 2024, Cend and Affinity had a total carbon share of 770mt of CO2. This represents the carbon emitted by our moves¹. The 770mt was refunded through the purchase of carbon credits to offset back to net zero carbon emissions with ClimeCo(see Appendix). Offsetting 770mt of CO2 is the energy savings equivalent of 855,327 pounds of coal burned, or 35,373 propane cylinders used for home barbeques, or 62,252,016 smartphones charge, or 1,783 barrels of oil consumed, or 272 tons of waste recycled instead of landfilled².

CONTAINERS

To help combat the environmental downturn our world faces, our containers have a longer life span, use recycled materials and are recyclable. Rather than becoming waste like the current product of the moving industry³, Cend and Affinity's product contributes back to the circular economy. Cend and Affinity and our partners currently have ~3000 metal containers in circulation.

PARTNERSHIP WITH CLIMECO

Our goal is to be carbon neutral and not merely be 30% better than the rest of industry. With that in mind Cend and Affinity have partnered with ClimeCo to donate carbon offsets. Our investment through ClimeCo impacts 240 projects in 42 states and 28 countries committed to renewable energy, forestry, energy efficiency, tree planting, and water restoration. These investments create offsets to Cend and Affinity providing a net zero carbon emission move for each of our guests.

CLIMATE PLEDGE

The improvements to our model versus that of the industry along with our CO2 offsets are a good first step but not the end game. Cend and Affinity will sign the climate pledge along with environmentally leading companies like Amazon, IBM, Mercedes Benz and P&G promising to be carbon neutral by 2040. ClimeCo started with a simple goal—to reduce greenhouse gases (GHG) through scalable abatement projects that create value for our customers.

Since then, they have evolved into a global, solutions advisor, transaction facilitator, trader and developer of environmental commodities and sustainability solutions.



ROUTE OPTIMIZATON

Cend and Affinity's route optimization lowers the environmental impact of all our moves with 30% lower emissions compared to traditional models, helping to save money, time, and the world4. Through this route efficiency, we saved an additional 231mt of CO2, bringing the total CO2 saved in 2024 to 1001mt. This is equivalent to 268,837 pounds of coal burned or 11,025 propane cylinders or 29,194,235 number of smartphones charged, or 10,389 trash bags

UKRAINE TEAM

There is a shortage of technology talent globally. Prior to the war in Ukraine, we had created a highly talented, committed, and motivated team of developers in L'viv in the western region of Ukraine.

When the war began, rather than pulling out of the country, we doubled the size of our team. We believe that this decision gives us a strategic advantage.

GLOBAL EXPANSION

In the coming months and years, we plan to replicate our U.S. domestic ESG model globally. We have plans to bring our product to Canada, Europe, Asia, Australia and Latin America. It is critical that all countries meet the necessary ESG standards to have a true global impact.

Cend & Affinity are proud to stand alongside other corporate leaders in achieving the Climate Pledge commitment of carbon neutrality by 2040.

Appendix: Information Most People Won't Read

- 1. The carbon share formula is as follows: {[(distance)/6.5*22.5]*[(cubes)/13]}. The distance divided by the MPG of a tractor trailer, multiplied by the pounds of carbon output per gallon. The total is then multiplied by the number of containers divided by our share of the truck.
- Calculations for equivalency data taken from the EPA and EIA. 20.88 mmbtu/metric ton coal × 26.13 kg C/mmbtu × 44 kg CO2/12 kg C × 1 metric ton coal/2,204.6 pound of coal x 1 metric ton/1,000 kg = 9.07 x 10-4 metric tons CO2/pound of coal.
 16 pounds propane/1 cylinder × 0.818 pounds C/pound propane × 0.4536 kilograms/pound × 44 kg CO2/12 kg C × 1 metric ton/1,000 kg = 0.022 metric tons CO2/cylinder.

[22.596 Wh – (22 hours x 0.0415 Watts)] x 1 kWh/1,000 Wh = 0.022 kWh/smartphone charged.

0.022 kWh/charge x 1,540.1 pounds CO2/MWh delivered electricity x 1 MWh/1,000 kWh x 1 metric ton/2,204.6 lbs = 1.51 x 10-5 metric tons CO2/smartphone charged.

5.80 mmbtu/barrel × 20.31 kg C/mmbtu × 44 kg CO2/12 kg C × 1 metric ton/1,000 kg = 0.43 metric tons CO2/barrel.

2.88 metric tons CO2 equivalent/ton of waste recycled instead of landfilled.

2.88 metric tons CO2 equivalent /short ton of waste recycled instead of landfilled × 1 short ton/2,000 lbs × 111 lbs of mixed recyclables/cubic yard × 1 cubic yard/173.57 dry gallons × 25 gallons/trash bag = 2.30 x 10-2 metric tons CO2 equivalent/trash bag of waste recycled instead of landfilled.

- 3. Traditional wooden lift vans are made of non-recyclable softwood plywood, and weigh in the range of 300-320 lbs. These lift vans have a life cycle of 20-30 uses if patched, repaired, and repainted. They are made of softwood plywood comprised of a combination of spruce, pine, and fir trees (SPF). The most common tree used in SPF is the Englemann spruce, and ranges in height from 45ft to 130ft tall, with a weight of 24 lbs. per cubic foot, and an average radius of 1ft. Using the equation for volume of a cylindrical object (V= π r²h) (V= π 1²87.5), we find the average volume of the spruce is 275 cubic feet. With the weight at 24 lbs. per cubic foot, we find the average spruce tree weighs 6600lbs. We can thus tell how many trees go into making the approximate 1 million lift vans used by the global moving industry. With the weight of the lift vans (310x1,000,000=310,000,000) 310 million / the weight of the spruce (6600). We find that 46,970 trees were used in lift vans that cannot be recycled and will be landfilled. For some context, there are ~18,000 trees in Central Park in New York City.
- 4. The transportation sector generates the largest share of greenhouse gas emissions. In 2019, transportation was 29% (1,901,820,000 metric tons) of total emissions in the US. 24% (456,436,800 metric tons) of transportation emissions are medium/heavy trucks. In 2012, the American Moving & Storage Association (AMSA) said their members had 82,000 trucks/tractors. AMSA represented a high percentage of all movers. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMSCA) stated that of motor carriers, 91.5% operate 6 or fewer trucks, 97.4% operate fewer than 20 trucks. The Federal Highway Admin and Bureau of Transportation Stats state there a total of 10,739,099 medium/heavy duty trucks registered, of which there were 2,581,245 trucks/tractors. If we take the 82,000 moving trucks, divided by the 2,581,245 total trucks, we find that ~3% of trucks/tractors were moving trucks (82,000/2,581,245=3.17%). In 2016, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) showed 416.8 Tg C02 emissions from Medium/heavy duty trucks (1Tg = 1,000,000 metric tons). Tractors trailer units make up 24% of the total. (2,581,245 of 10,739,099). We can then find the emissions from trucks/tractors by taking 24% of the 416.9tg and find trucks/tractors had 100tg of CO2 emissions (24% of 416.8 = 100). We can therefore find the emissions from just movers' trucks by taking 3% of the 100tg (3% of 100 = 3). This means that movers generated ~3,000,000 metric tons of CO2 in 2012. AMSA showed 800,000 interstate moves in the same year. With that, we can conclude that the average emissions per move at 3.75 metric tons (3,000,000 / 800,000 = 3.75). Cend and Affinity averages 2.6 metric tons of CO2 per full load. This translates to a CO2 savings of 30%.







This isn't just moving; it's a movement.

