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We acquire land for development with considerations for environmental, social and governance (ESG) aspects. Land development supports economic development, social stability, and community development.

In this phase, we design and develop projects through stakeholder consultation – including sustainability experts. Before we even break ground, we define achievable sustainability targets that add value to the development and strive to meet client and other stakeholder needs.

The construction & refurbishment phase transforms the project design into reality. We work with partners to ensure the health and safety of stakeholders and engage with clients to collaborate on best practices (i.e. noise / congestion reduction).

This phase includes the responsible operations of the building. We ensure properties are monitored for utility use and waste output, while engaging clients and partners to help meet our Green at Work® targets.

In this phase, our properties are redeveloped. We always consider the latest technology, equipment and building materials which could help increase our resource efficiency, while fostering innovation.

Our investment team carefully considers ESG matters through risk evaluation and mitigation before completing a transaction.
Our 2018-2019 Responsibility Report highlights CF’s activities and accomplishments between September 1, 2017 and August 31, 2018 – the reporting period for CF’s national sustainability program, Green at Work® (GAW). However, there is additional information that pertains to the 2018 calendar year.

The report disclosures encompass all of CF’s managed properties and has been prepared in accordance with the GRI Standards: Core option. Additional components required by the GRI Standards that are not contained in this report can be found in the Report Supplement.

Please note the following considerations regarding data boundaries and conversion factors:

- Energy data includes all reported and managed electricity, natural gas, steam and chilled water consumption for office buildings and common areas within retail properties.

- Greenhouse gas emissions data includes client and common areas at commercial office properties. Data includes common areas for retail properties, but excludes client spaces.

- Water data includes all properties, but excludes heavy users.

- Waste data includes all properties.

- Baseline data is normalized for weather, occupancy, major users and portfolio changes. New properties are included in their third year of operations.

- CF uses the Greenhouse Gas Protocol, which aligns with ISO 14064-1, in accounting for greenhouse gases. Data includes natural gas, generator fuels, fugitive refrigerant losses, vehicle fuels, grid electricity, steam, chilled water, landfill waste, water, air travel and personal car mileage. The gases included in the calculations are carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), nitrous oxide (N2O), hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), perfluorocarbons (PFCs), sulfur hexafluoride (SF6) and nitrogen trifluoride (NF3). Emission factors are used as per the National Inventory Report 1990-2015 published by Environment Canada in 2017.
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