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INSULATION

AKOUSTI-LINER™ and Acousti-Shield™

AKOUSTI-LINER™ is a flexible, mat-faced insulation with a tightly bonded mat to provide a smooth, tough surface that resists damage. Designed as a formaldehyde-free insulation for the interior of sheet metal ducts used in HVAC, this product provides a combination of sound absorption, low thermal conductivity and minimal airstream surface friction.

Acousti-Shield™ is a formaldehyde-free brown flexible glass mineral wool blanket with a black mat facing adhered to one surface. It provides thermal and acoustical insulation for theaters and spaces.



Performance dashboard

Features & functionality

- Greatly reduces noise
- Withstands damage from normal handling
- Lowers operating costs
- Low VOC emission and formaldehyde-free

Visit Manson for more product information:
[AKOUSTI-LINER™, Acousti-Shield™](#)

Environment & materials

Improved by:

- Utilization of recycled glass
- Manson's original plant-based bio-based binder technology
- Optimized compression packaging

Certification & rating systems:

- UL GREENGUARD Gold certified
- UL Validated recycled content
- UL Validated formaldehyde-free
- Audited, European Certification Board for Mineral Wool Products exoneration process
- ASTM C1071; Type I, ASTM C 665

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Thermal Insulation Guide Specification
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SUMMARY

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UL Building Envelope Thermal Insulation, 04/18 – 02/23

Regions; system boundaries
North America; Cradle to grave

Functional unit / reference service life:
1 m² of installed insulation w/packaging; thickness that gives an avg thermal resistance of RSI = 1 m²·K/W over 75 years.

LCIA methodology: TRACI 2.1

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LCA results & interpretation

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Life cycle assessment

Scope and summary

Cradle to gate Cradle to gate with options Cradle to grave

Application

Specifically designed for sheet metal ducts used in heating, ventilating, and air conditioning in North America. It provides an optimum combination of efficient sound absorption, low thermal conductivity, and minimal airstream surface friction. Wall & Ceiling Liner is designed for use as an acoustical and visual barrier for walls and ceilings where a black surface is required. It is primarily used in theaters, sound studios, public concourses and other areas where acoustical treatment is needed. Insulation is delivered to the installation site as one packaged bag containing varying amounts of product.

Functional unit

Reference service life: 75 years. One square meter of installed insulation material, packaging included, with a thickness that gives an average thermal resistance of

$R = 1\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K/W}$ over a period of 75 years.

Reference flow: 0.927 kg of product with no facing options, at a thickness of 0.0386 m to achieve the functional unit. (ASTM C518)

Manufacturing data

Reporting period: October 2015 – September 2016

Location: Shelbyville, IN

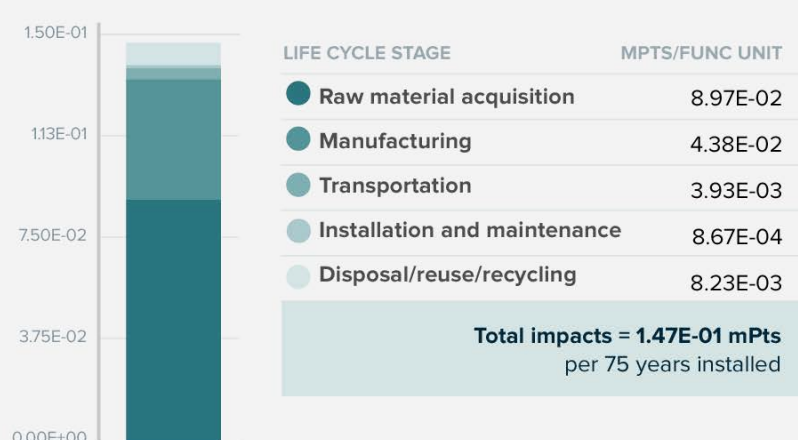
Default installation, packaging, and disposal scenarios

At the installation site, insulation products are unpackaged and installed. STape may be used to install duct liner. No material is lost or wasted because scraps are typically used to fill corners or crevices. Packaging waste, made up of paper and plastic, is disposed (plastic: 15% to recycling, 68% to landfill, and 17% to incineration; paper: 75% to recycling, 20% to landfill, and 5% to incineration), and no maintenance or replacement is required to achieve the product's life span. After removal, the insulation is assumed to be landfilled.

Material composition greater than 1% by weight

PART	MATERIAL	AVG % WT.
Batch	Post-consumer cullet	66.0%
Batch	Internal cullet	10.0%
Batch	Sand	7.4%
Batch	Borax	6.4%
Facing	Facing adhesive	6.1%
Batch	Sugars	2.9%
Batch	Soda ash	2.9%
Packaging	Plastic film	2.6%
Batch	Limestone	2.1%
Packaging	Kraft paper	1.4%
Batch	Dolomite	1.1%
Batch	Nepheline syenite	1.1%
	Other	1.7%

Total impacts by life cycle stages [mPts/func unit]



What's causing the greatest impacts

All life cycle stages

The manufacturing stage dominates the results for the acidification, global warming, ozone depletion, smog, ecotoxicity, and fossil fuel depletion impact categories. The remaining impact categories are dominated by the raw materials acquisition stage. Following these two stages, the next highest impacts come from transportation and disposal, which have a similar contribution. However, for smog, the transportation stage is the second highest contributor due to the use of trucks and rail transport. The impact of the raw material acquisition stage is mostly due to the borax, manganese dioxide, and soda ash in the batch and the dextrose in the binder. Since sand and borax are melted in the oven, they are not released into the air as fine particulates and therefore likely actually contribute less than what is calculated in the results tables below. The manufacturing stage shows major contributions to all impact categories. The landfilling of the discarded product contributes to the disposal stage. The only impacts associated with installation and maintenance are due to the disposal of packaging waste, which is the smallest contributor of all the stages.

Manufacturing stage

The energy required to melt the glass and produce the glass fibers is the largest contributor to the manufacturing stage for all impact categories.

Characterized vs. single score results

Due to normalization and weighting, different stages can dominate the characterized and single score results. The batch ingredients sand and borax contribute significantly to the respiratory effects category, causing the raw materials acquisition stage to dominate the mPt results, but not the characterized results. However, they are not released into the air as fine particulates and therefore likely actually contribute less than what is calculated in the raw material acquisition stage. What this means is that the manufacturing stage may have a larger share of the impact than what is displayed in the total impacts by life cycle stage.

Sensitivity analysis

There are no sensitivity results that lead to variations greater than 10% in the LCA results.






How we're making it greener

Knauf and Manson are committed to providing products that conserve energy and preserve natural resources.

- These products use ECOSE® Technology, which is a plant-based binder adhesive instead of a fossil fuel based binder. ECOSE Technology represents a fossil fuel avoidance equivalent of 100,000 barrels of oil a year for Manson and Knauf Insulation products combined.
- Atmosphere™ Duct Liner and Wall & Ceiling Liner use a special formaldehyde-free black non-woven facer material.
- Our products contain a high degree of recycled content, which translates to 20% less glass melting energy and a 25% reduction in embodied carbon. Our utilization of recycled content reduces mining impacts by 60%. In fact, Knauf and Manson products combined use 10 railcars of recycled glass a day.
- All glass fiber made by Manson and Knauf is audited by a 3rd party to ensure biosoluble chemistry from a health and safety standpoint.

[See how we make it greener](#)

LCA results

LIFE CYCLE STAGE	RAW MATERIAL ACQUISITION	MANUFACTURING	TRANSPORATION	INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE	DISPOSAL/REUSE/ RECYCLING
Information modules: Included Excluded* *In the installation and maintenance phase, packaging waste in module A5 is the only contributor to the potential impacts.	A1 Raw Materials	A3 Manufacturing	A4 Transportation/ Delivery	A5 Construction/ Installation	C1 Deconstruction/ Demolition
	A2 Transportation			B1 Use	C2 Transportation
				B2 Maintenance	C3 Waste Processing
				B3 Repair	C4 Disposal
				B4 Replacement	
				B5 Refurbishment	
				B6 Operational energy use	
				B7 Operational water use	
					

SM 2013 [Learn about SM Single Score results](#)

Impacts per 75 years of service	8.97E-02 mPts	4.38E-02 mPts	3.93E-03 mPts	8.67E-04 mPts	8.23E-03 mPts
Materials or processes contributing >20% to total impacts in each life cycle stage	Batch material and binder material production.	Energy required to melt the glass and produce the glass fibers.	Truck and rail transportation used to transport product to building site.	Transportation to disposal and disposing of packaging materials.	Transportation to landfill and landfilling of product.

TRACI v2.1 results per functional unit

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Ecological damage

Impact category	Unit					
Acidification	kg SO ₂ eq	1.70E-03	5.06E-03	1.04E-03	1.86E-05	2.54E-04
Eutrophication	kg N eq	3.11E-04	2.38E-04	8.33E-05	4.62E-06	1.50E-05
Global warming (Embodied carbon)	kg CO ₂ eq	3.99E-01	1.86E+00	1.95E-01	3.19E-02	5.54E-02
Ozone depletion	kg CFC-11 eq	8.64E-11	7.08E-10	1.34E-12	1.92E-11	7.36E-13

Human health damage

Impact category	Unit					
Carcinogenics	CTU _h	1.95E-09	3.22E-10	1.03E-10	8.49E-12	1.85E-10
Non-carcinogenics	CTU _h	2.21E-07	2.43E-08	7.67E-09	1.06E-09	2.07E-08
Respiratory effects	kg PM _{2.5} eq	1.54E-03	6.54E-04	5.43E-05	1.32E-05	1.40E-04
Smog	kg O ₃ eq	2.91E-02	4.82E-02	3.49E-02	3.87E-04	5.88E-03

Additional environmental information

Impact category	Unit					
Ecotoxicity	CTU _e	4.24E-02	1.72E-01	2.43E-02	3.53E-04	5.42E-03
Fossil fuel depletion	MJ, LHV	8.18E-01	2.08E+00	3.70E-01	6.47E-03	1.10E-01

References

LCA Background Report

Knauf Insulation and Manson Insulation Products LCA Background Report (public version), Knauf 2018. GaBi 7, GaBi 2017 database.

PCRs

ISO 21930:2017 serves as the core PCR along with EN 15804 and UL Part A.

ULE PCR Part A: Life Cycle Assessment Calculation Rules and Report Requirements v3.1

May 2, 2018. Technical Advisory Panel members reviewed and provided feedback

on content written by UL Environment and USGBC. Past and present members of

the Technical Advisory Panel are listed in the PCR.

ULE PCR Part B: Building Envelope Thermal Insulation

Version 2.0, April 2018. PCR review conducted by Thomas Gloria, PhD (chair, t.gloria@industrial-ecology.com); Andre Desjarlais; and Christoph Koffler, PhD.

ULE General Program Instructions v2.1, April 2017

ISO 14025, “Sustainability in buildings and civil engineering works -- Core rules for environmental product declarations of construction products and services”, ISO21930:2017

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Rating systems

The intent is to reward project teams for selecting products from manufacturers who have verified improved life-cycle environmental performance.

LEED BD+C: New Construction | v4 - LEED v4

Building product disclosure and optimization **Environmental product declarations**

<input type="radio"/> Industry-wide (generic) EPD	½ product
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Green Globes for New Construction and Sustainable Interiors Materials and resources

NC 3.5.1.2 Path B: Prescriptive Path for Building Core and Shell

C 3.5.2.2 and SI 4.1.2 Path B: Prescriptive Path for Interior Fit-outs

Collaborative for High Performance Schools National Criteria MW 7.1 – Environmental Product Declarations

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RAW MATERIAL ACQUISITION

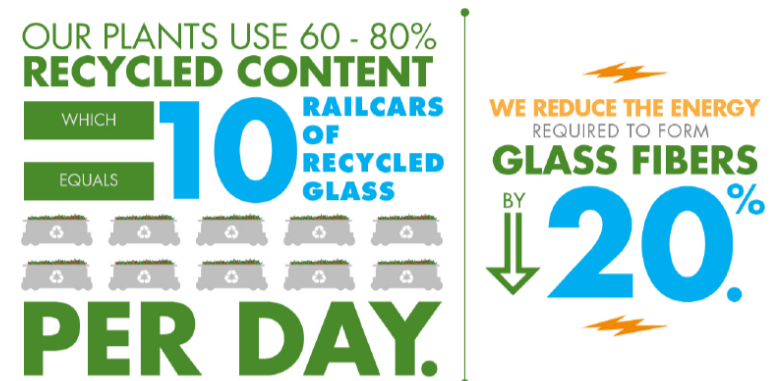


Utilize recycled content

Our plants use 60 – 80% recycled content – which translates to about 10 railcars of recycled glass cullet a day. By leveraging so much recycled content, we reduce the energy required to form glass fibers by 20%. If we use even 60% recycled content, then mining impacts are reduced proportionately.

Pursue sequestration potential

Manson and Knauf's bio-based ECOSE Technology is derived from corn. On average, the Knauf Family Farm produces one half the amount of corn we use to make our products on an annual basis, which is equal to 5,000 acres. While we don't grow the corn used in our products, the use of corn has a significant carbon sequestration impact on our processes. For instance, the use of corn actually offsets the carbon impact of some of the ancillary facers used on our products.

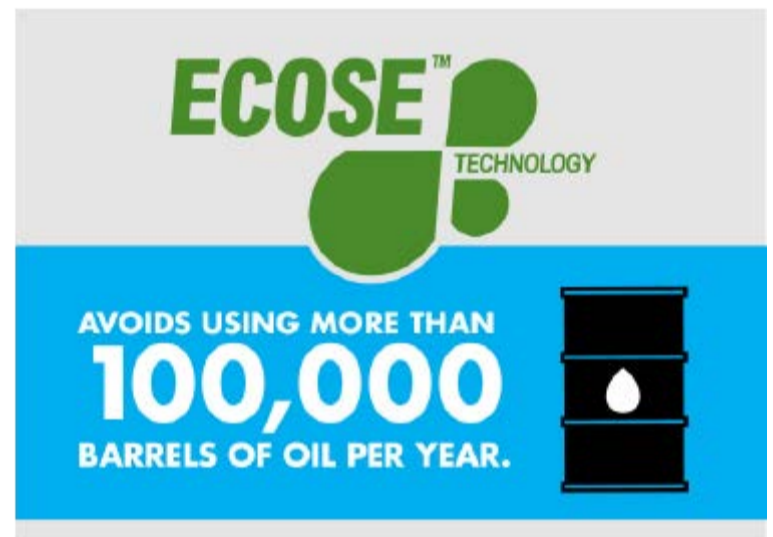


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Develop bio-based formaldehyde-free binder

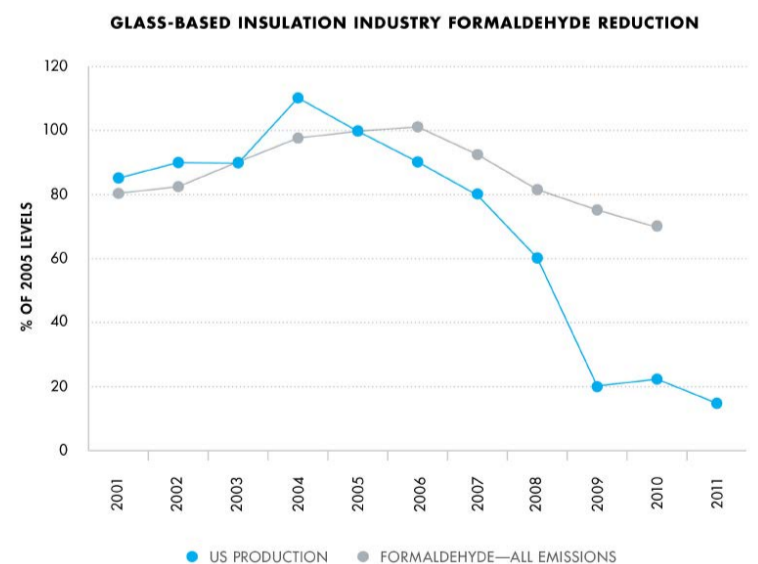
In 2008, Knauf Insulation launched perhaps the nation's largest formaldehyde-free green chemistry initiative called ECOSE Technology. Offering this into the building materials marketplace quickly transformed the entire glass mineral fiber industry toward bio-based chemistries. Today phenol-formaldehyde (PF) based resins are largely a thing of the past with regard to large volume mineral fiber based insulation products. Knauf has also launched a new business venture to assist other industries in accessing ECOSE Technology for their processes.

In a given year, using corn-based ECOSE Technology instead of phenol & formaldehyde avoids the equivalent of more than 100,000 barrels of oil in North America alone.



Lead green chemistry efforts

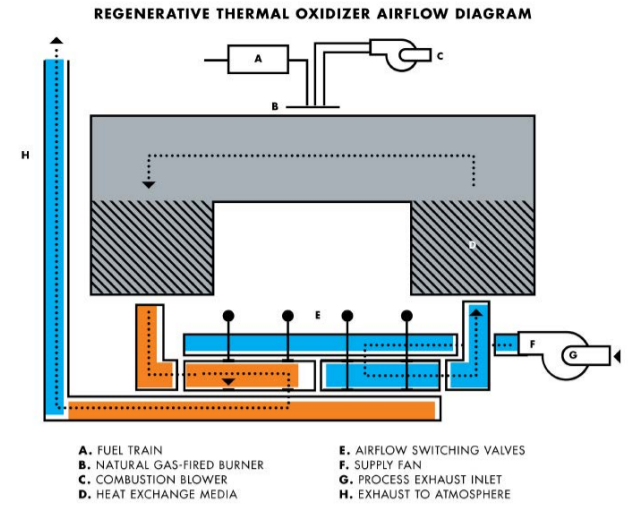
Following the launch of our ECOSE Technology in 2009, we had transformed all of our products and processes to this new technology. Using our bio-based ECOSE Technology has removed phenol and formaldehyde from our stack emissions. By 2012, the entire industry had followed our lead. This initiative not only established Knauf Insulation in a leadership position, but it had a transformative impact on our industry in general.



Green manufacturing Processes

1. Regenerative thermal oxidizers Knauf Insulation uses regenerative thermal oxidizers (RTO) to capture and recycle much of the energy we used to cure our products. RTO is equipment used for the treatment of exhaust air. Our ovens exhaust into a ceramic heat exchange media to capture and reuse the heat in the exhausted air. Therefore, the amount of energy required to cure our product is reduced substantially.

2. Recycling As you can see below, everything we do starts with recycling. Our plant uses as much as 80% recycled content. While our only option is to landfill our products at end of life, that doesn't stop us from encouraging consumers to recycle other products, particularly glass bottles.



Continuous Improvement

Continuous improvement is key to our sustainable development. Globally, we maintain the following Bureau Veritas certifications: ISO 9000, 14000, and 50001. These certifications relate to quality management systems, energy management and environmental management efforts. For more information on our current continuous improvement efforts, please review our global sustainability report.

TRANSPORTATION

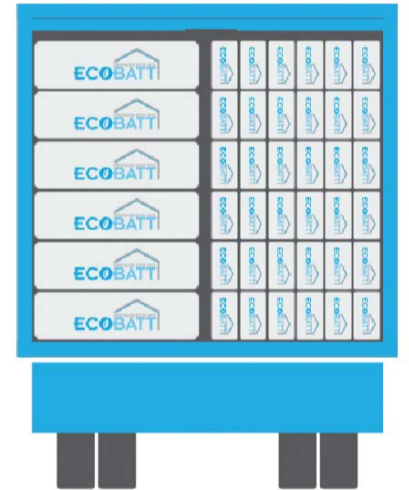


Leverage compression packaging

Glass is a high modulus material, which helps to facilitate compression packaging. We compress our insulation to fit up to five times more product on every truck. This compression means:

- More material can fit on one truck when compared to other insulation materials
- Fewer packages on a job
- Fewer deliveries needed

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Be confident in glass mineral wool's safety

In the past, a label regarding the carcinogenic potential of insulation made from glass fibers was required on all packaging. Following forty years of research, glass mineral wool has been exonerated entirely. Glass mineral wool is comprised of fibers that are biosoluble, meaning that the fibers dissolve in the body in a short period of time and exit the body with normal bodily functions. The scrutiny glass mineral wool has undergone is now seen as proof of its safety.

Meet and exceed green standards

GREENGUARD certified On the forefront of indoor air quality, Knauf Insulation was the first GREENGUARD certified product in 2002. This achievement led us to understand the impact our formaldehyde-free products could have on the indoor environment. The formaldehyde-free claim is third party validated by UL Environment.

Red List Free Since 2012, Knauf Insulation North America used the Living Building Challenge (LBC) Red List as its developmental benchmark. The Red List is a list of chemicals that are avoided in material imperative for the construction of LBC buildings. Formaldehyde is just one of about 800 chemicals on the Red List. Manson Insulation has chosen the Health Product Declaration® (HPD) Collaborative as its standard for reporting building product content and associated health information.

EUCEB tested Glass fiber is perhaps the most widely studied building material available today. All of our processes and formulations are voluntarily third-party audited for compliance with the health and safety exoneration criteria for glass and rock based fiber through the European Certification Board for Mineral Wool Products (EUCEB) exoneration process. This guarantees the formulations are biosoluble and pose no health concerns. Having 35 years of research behind its safety, perhaps no other building material has been as thoroughly evaluated as fiberglass products. We believe a safe product is one that has been thoroughly evaluated.

Green building rating systems

Our products offer a vast array of potential credits for major green building rating systems, including: WELL, LEED v4, International Green Construction Code, Green Guide for Health Care, NAHB Green Building Standard and more.

Visit the [green building rating systems page](#) to see all the credits you can earn using Manson and Knauf Insulation products.

Green building rating system credits
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DISPOSAL



Promote Recycling

Manson and Knauf are recycling advocates. We take every opportunity to advocate for recycling and financially support the Glass Recycling Coalition (GRC). We feel that a comprehensive understanding of the benefits of recycling will lead to greater recycling adoption and more promotion by state and local governments. While our only option is to landfill our products at end of life, that doesn't stop us from encouraging consumers to recycle other products, particularly glass bottles.



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Additional EPD content required by: ULE PCR Parts A and B for Building Envelope Thermal Insulation

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Data

Background This company-specific product/product group specific declaration was created by collecting product data over the course of a year for each line at each location the product was manufactured. For products with multiple manufacturing locations, data are a weighted average by production volume at each location. For average products, which are products that have more than one facing option, data are a weighted average of the mass of each functional unit. The reference service life applies for the reference in-use conditions only.

Allocation Since only facility-level data were available, allocation among a facility's co-products was used to determine the input and output flows associated with each product. Allocation of materials and energy was done on a mass basis for all products except for the facing, which was allocated based on product area. Allocation of transportation was based on either weight or volume, depending on which was found to greater restrict the amount of cargo. Glass cullet is assumed to enter the system burden-free in that burden associated with the production of virgin glass is not allocated to the fiberglass life cycle. Likewise, the system boundary was drawn to include landfilling of fiberglass at end-of-life (following the polluter pays principle), but exclude any credits from recovery.

Cut-off criteria For the inclusion of mass and energy flows are 1% of renewable primary resource (energy), 1% nonrenewable primary resource (energy) usage, 1% of the total mass input of that unit process, and 1% of environmental impacts. The total of neglected input flows per module does not exceed 5% of energy usage, mass, and environmental impacts. The only exception to these criteria is substances with hazardous and toxic properties, which must be listed even when the given process unit is under the cut-off criterion of 1% of the total mass. No known flows are deliberately excluded from this declaration.

Scenarios and additional technical information

PARAMETER	VALUE	UNIT
Transport to the building site [A4]		
Vehicle type	Truck	
Average distance from Shelbyville to installation site	680	mi
Capacity utilization by mass	27	%

Installation into the building [A5]		
Distance from installation site to disposal	100	mi
Mass of paper packaging waste to disposal	0.0181	kg
Mass of plastic packaging waste to disposal	.0322	kg
Biogenic carbon contained in paper packaging	6.15E-03	kg CO ₂
GWP based in biogenic carbon content of paper packaging	1.70E-02	kg CO ₂ e
GWP based in biogenic carbon content of plastic packaging	0	kg CO ₂ e

Disposal/reuse/recycling [C1-C4]		
Distance from installation site to disposal	100	mi
Mass of product waste to disposal	0.927	kg
Removals of biogenic carbon (excluding packaging)	1.91E-03	kg CO ₂

Resource use, output and waste flows, and carbon emissions and removals per functional unit

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	Total
Resource use indicators																
Renewable primary energy used as energy carrier (fuel)	MJ, LHV	2.46E+00	6.70E-02	2.62E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.11E-03	0	4.46E-02	2.58E+00
Renewable primary resources with energy content used as material	MJ, LHV	3.38E-04	0	3.10E-07	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.39E-04
Total use of renewable primary resources with energy content	MJ, LHV	2.46E+00	6.70E-02	2.62E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.11E-03	0	4.46E-02	2.58E+00
Non-renewable primary resources used as an energy carrier (fuel)	MJ, LHV	3.80E+01	2.75E+00	5.20E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.10E-01	0	6.51E-01	4.17E+01
Non-renewable primary resources with energy content used as material	MJ, LHV	3.99E-08	0	3.18E-11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.99E-08
Total use of non-renewable primary resources with energy content	MJ, LHV	3.80E+01	2.75E+00	5.20E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.10E-01	0	6.51E-01	4.17E+01
Secondary materials	kg	5.29E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.29E-01
Renewable secondary fuels	MJ, LHV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-renewable secondary fuels	MJ, LHV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Recovered energy	MJ, LHV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Use of net fresh water resources	m3	3.21E+02	7.52E+00	1.49E+00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.74E-01	0	2.09E+01	3.52E+02

Output flows and waste category indicators

Hazardous waste disposed	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-hazardous waste disposed	kg	0	0	5.03E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.27E-01	9.77E-01
High-level radioactive waste, conditioned, to final repository	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intermediate- and low-level radioactive waste, conditioned, to final repository	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Components for re-use	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Materials for recycling	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Materials for energy recovery	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exported energy	MJ, LHV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Carbon emissions and removals

Biogenic Carbon Removal from Product	kg CO ₂	2.67E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.67E-02
Biogenic Carbon Emission from Product	kg CO ₂	2.82E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.91E-03	3.01E-02
Biogenic Carbon Removal from Packaging	kg CO ₂	2.55E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.55E-02
Biogenic Carbon Emission from Packaging	kg CO ₂	0	0	6.15E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.15E-03
Biogenic Carbon Emission from Combustion of Waste from Renewable Sources Used in Production Processes	kg CO ₂	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calcination Carbon Emissions	kg CO ₂	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carbonation Carbon Removals	kg CO ₂	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carbon Emissions from Combustion of Waste from Non-Renewable Sources used in Production Processes	kg CO ₂	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

TRACI v2.1 disaggregated results per functional unit

LCIA results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks. These six impact categories required by the PCR are globally deemed mature enough to be included in Type III environmental declarations. Other categories are being developed and defined and LCA should continue making advances in their development; however, the EPD users shall not use additional measures for comparative purposes. Impact categories which were not required by the PCR are included in part to allow for the calculation of millipoints using the SM2013 Methodology, but it should be noted that there are known limitations related to these impact categories due to their high degree of uncertainty. LCIA results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks.

Impact category	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4
Acidification	kg SO ₂ eq	6.76E-03	1.04E-03	1.86E-05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.46E-05	0	1.90E-04
Eutrophication	kg N eq	5.49E-04	8.33E-05	4.62E-06	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.41E-06	0	9.62E-06
Global warming	kg SO ₂ eq	2.26E+00	1.95E-01	3.19E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.49E-02	0	4.06E-02
Ozone depletion	kg CFC-11 eq	7.94E-10	1.34E-12	1.92E-11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.02E-13	0	6.34E-13
Smog	kg O ₃ eq	7.73E-02	3.49E-02	3.87E-04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.14E-03	0	3.74E-03
Fossil fuel depletion	MJ, LHV	2.89E+00	3.70E-01	6.47E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.82E-02	0	8.14E-02

Additional environmental information

Impact category	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4
Ecotoxicity	CTUe	2.15E-01	2.43E-02	3.53E-04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.85E-03	0	3.57E-03
Carcinogenics	CTUh	2.27E-09	1.03E-10	8.49E-12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.86E-12	0	1.77E-10
Non-carcinogenics	CTUh	2.46E-07	7.67E-09	1.06E-09	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.85E-10	0	2.01E-08
Respiratory effects	kg PM2.5 eq	2.19E-03	5.43E-05	1.32E-05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.41E-06	0	1.36E-04

The product does not contain substances that are identified as hazardous according to standards or regulations of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Subtitle C, nor does it (or its associated processes) release dangerous, regulated substances that affect health and environment, including indoor air emissions, gamma or ionizing radiation emissions, or chemicals released to the air or leached to water and soil.



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SUMMARY
Reference PCR
UL Building Envelope Thermal Insulation, 04/18 – 02/23

Regions; system boundaries
North America; Cradle to grave

Functional unit / reference service life:
1 m² of installed insulation w/packaging; thickness that gives an avg thermal resistance of RSI = 1 m²-K/W over 75 years.

LCIA methodology: TRACI 2.1

LCA software; LCI database
GaBi 7; GaBi 2017

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