ASC Steel Deck, based on EAF Steel





### **Declaration Owner**

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### Product:

ASC Steel Deck (18 to 22 gauge) products made from roll formed steel and protected with TruZinc ® steel coating (hot-dip galvanized)

### **Declared Unit**

The declared unit is one metric ton of ASC Steel Deck product, based on Electric Arc Furnace (EAF) Steel

## **EPD Number and Period of Validity**

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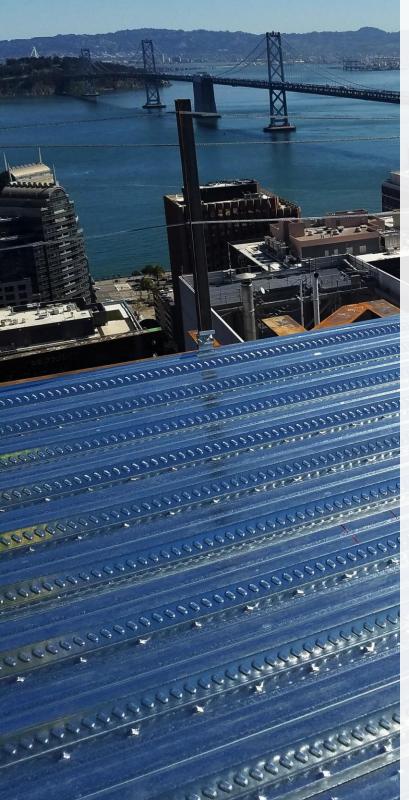
### **Product Category Rule**

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Disclaimers: This EPD conforms to ISO 14025, 14040, 14044, and ISO 21930.

Scope of Results Reported: The PCR requirements limit the scope of the LCA metrics such that the results exclude environmental and social performance benchmarks and thresholds, and exclude impacts from the depletion of natural resources, land use ecological impacts, ocean impacts related to greenhouse gas emissions, risks from hazardous wastes and impacts linked to hazardous chemical emissions.

Accuracy of Results: Due to PCR constraints, this EPD provides estimations of potential impacts that are inherently limited in terms of accuracy.

**Comparability:** The PCR this EPD was based on was not written to support comparative assertions. EPDs based on different PCRs, or different calculation models, may not be comparable. When attempting to compare EPDs or life cycle impacts of products from different companies, the user should be aware of the uncertainty in the final results, due to and not limited to, the practitioner's assumptions, the source of the data used in the study, and the specifics of the product modeled.

In accordance with ISO 21930:2017, EPDs are comparable only if they comply with the core PCR, use the same sub-category PCR where applicable, include all relevant information modules and are based on equivalent scenarios with respect to the context of construction works.

## 1. ASC Steel Deck

ASC Steel Deck is a leading steel roof and floor deck product manufacturer and trusted partner for over 50 years delivering technical expertise and exceptional service that assures success in every project. As the only manufacturer on the West Coast to offer a full line of light gage steel deck products and a knowledgeable team with an unmatched commitment, ASC Steel Deck is your partner in meeting the needs of the most complex projects.

ASC Steel Deck has many innovative contributions and first-to-market solutions, such as the 36/7/4 attachment pattern and 32" N-deck (3" roof deck) and continues to be at the forefront of providing product solutions that offer the highest performance with the lowest installed costs. Moreover, as an environmental steward, ASC Steel Deck is passionate and proud to be leading the way to healthier, green built living spaces for all.

# 2. Products

## 2.1 PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The steel deck in this study is used in construction applications and falls under the CSI 05 31 00 classification. ASC Steel Deck produces material deformed to ASTM A929/A929M-17- Standard Specification for Steel Sheet, Metallic-Coated by the Hot-Dip Process for Corrugated Steel Pipe.

ASC Steel Deck roof and floor deck products are produced using metallic coated (hot-dipped galvanized) steel which offers outstanding protection and contributes to the lifespan of the products and building. Moreover, ASC Steel Deck products are manufactured on a "cut-to-size" basis at the plant, eliminating waste at the job site, and at the end of its life is 100% recyclable.

Product Type	Kalama, WA
Type B Deck	18-22 Ga
B, 2W, 3W Cellular Pan	18-22 Ga
N Deck Cellular Pan	18-22 Ga
Type 2W Deck	18-22 Ga
Type 3W Deck	18-22 Ga
Type N Deck	18-22 Ga

### Table 1. Specification of ASC products included in the study

ASC Steel Deck produces Steel Deck with an average density of 7,850 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.

## 2.2 PRODUCT FLOW DIAGRAM

A flow diagram illustrating the production processes and life cycle phases included in the scope of the EPD is provided below.

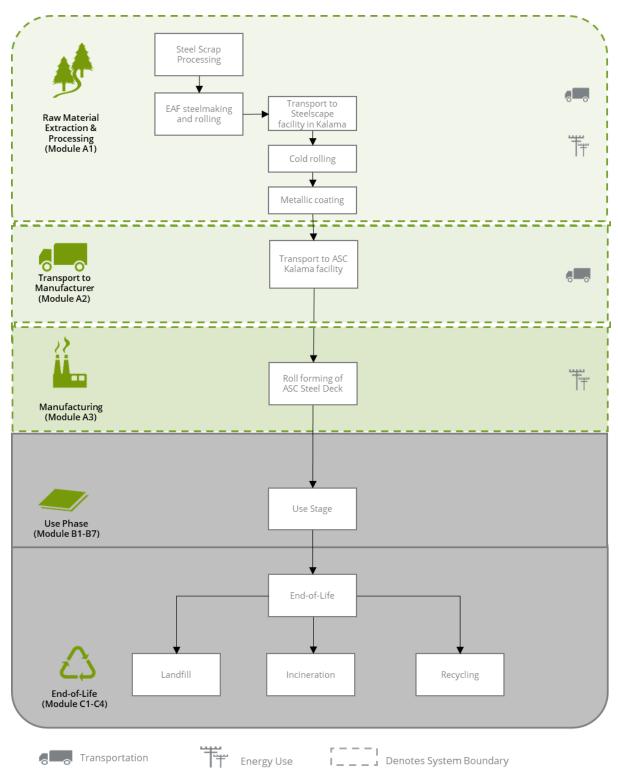


Figure 1. Flow Diagram for the life cycle of the ASC Steel Deck

### 2.4 DECLARATION OF METHODOLOGICAL FRAMEWORK

The scope of the EPD is cradle-to-gate, including raw material extraction and processing, transportation, steel manufacture and roll forming. The life cycle phases included in the product system boundary are shown below.

Ρ	Product			truction ocess				Use					End-of	-life		Benefits and loads beyond the system boundary
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B1	B3	B4	B5	B6	Β7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Raw material extraction and processing	Transport to manufacturer	Manufacturing	Transport	Construction - installation	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	Deconstruction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse, recovery and/or recycling potential
х	х	х	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND

**Table 2.** Life cycle phases included in the ASC Steel Deck product system boundary.

X = Module Included | MND = Module Not Declared

Cut-off and allocation procedures are described below and conform to the PCR and ISO standards.

### 2.5 TECHNICAL DATA

Technical specifications for the ASC Steel Deck products in this EPD include ASTM A929/A929M-17- Standard Specification for Steel Sheet, Metallic-Coated by the Hot-Dip Process for Corrugated Steel Pipe.

### 2.6 INTENDED APPLICATION

The intended application of the steel deck products is for use in construction applications as floor and roof deck.

## 2.7 MATERIAL COMPOSITION

The steel deck modeled in this study uses coated steel as the main input. ASC Steel Deck products were modeled for the declared unit of one metric ton of steel product. Table 3 presents the percentage composition of ASC Steel Deck products and includes the product composition for all gauges considered in Table 1.

 Table 3. Material composition of the ASC Steel Deck products.

Material	% of Total Weight
Base metal (Hot rolled coil)	96-99%
Metallic Coating (TruZinc®)	1-4%
Primer (optional)	<0.005%
Paint	NA

Steel deck products under normal conditions do not present inhalation, ingestion, or contact health hazards. These products are used inside the building envelope, or other structures, and do not include materials or substances which have potential route of exposure to humans or flora/fauna in the environment.

### 2.8 PROPERTIES OF DECLARED PRODUCT AS DELIVERED

The steel deck products are produced on a cut-to-size basis. The gauges of ASC Steel Deck products under this EPD are provided in Table 1.

### 2.9 MANUFACTURING

The steel deck products in this study are manufactured at the Kalama, WA facility. Upstream steel production and hot rolling occurs at the North Star BlueScope Steel EAF mill in Ohio.

### 2.10 PACKAGING

The packaging materials for ASC Steel Deck include steel strapping, metal seals, protective plastic wrap and lumber packaging.

## 2.11 FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information on the product can be found on the manufacturers' website at https://ascsd.com/.

# 3. LCA: Calculation Rules

### 3.1 DECLARED UNIT

The declared unit used in the study is defined as one (1) metric ton of bar, consistent with the PCR.

Table 2. The modules and unit	processes included in the scope for the ASC Steel Deck

Module	Module Description	Unit Processes Included in Scope
A1	Extraction and processing of raw materials; any reuse of products or materials from previous product systems; processing of secondary materials; generation of electricity from primary energy resources; energy, or other, recovery processes from secondary fuels	Steelmaking at North Star BlueScope Steel, transportation of hot rolled coil to Steelscape facility in Kalama, pickling and cold rolling processes at Kalama facility, coating of steel and painting of steel at Steelscape facility in Kalama.
A2	Transport (to the manufacturer)	Transportation of coated and painted steel to roll forming within Kalama facility.
A3	Manufacturing, including ancillary material production	Manufacture of ASC Steel Deck in the Kalama facility.
A4	Transport (to the building site)	Module Not Declared
A5	Construction-installation process	Module Not Declared
B1	Product use	Module Not Declared
B2	Product maintenance	Module Not Declared
B3	Product repair	Module Not Declared
B4	Product replacement	Module Not Declared
B5	Product refurbishment	Module Not Declared
B6	Operational energy use by technical building systems	Module Not Declared
B7	Operational water uses by technical building systems	Module Not Declared
C1	Deconstruction, demolition	Module Not Declared
C2	Transport (to waste processing)	Module Not Declared
C3	Waste processing for reuse, recovery and/or recycling	Module Not Declared
C4	Disposal	Module Not Declared
D	Reuse-recovery-recycling potential	Module Not Declared

### 3.4 UNITS

All data and results are presented using SI units.

#### **3.5 ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS**

- Primary data on energy and resource use was collected for operations occurring in the Kalama facilities. A production weighted average was calculated for all results across manufacturing facilities.
- As noted previously, the hot rolled coil is predominantly sourced from North Star BlueScope Steel. The North Star BlueScope Steel mill provided primary cradle-to-gate inventory data for hot rolled coil production.
- Primary data was also sought for intermediate processes such as pickling, cold rolling, coating and painting from the Steelscape facility in Kalama, using Data Request Forms.
- The Kalama facility is located in the NWPP eGRID NERC subregion. Ecoinvent inventory datasets were modified to reflect the eGRID electricity supply mix NWPP subregions to estimate resource use and emissions from electricity use at the facilities.
- Electricity and natural gas use at the Kalama facility were adjusted to remove the amount used by a large administration building on-site using the square footage of the administration building and average fuel consumption for office buildings from the CBECS dataset [9]. This assumption did not have a significant impact on either the electricity or natural gas at Kalama.
- Impacts for recycling EAF baghouse dust produced at the EAF steel mill are modeled using the energy required to recycle zinc from the melting of steel scrap, based on Narita et al. 1999 [2].
- Primary data for resource use (e.g., electricity, natural gas, water), waste/co-products, and emissions released, are allocated on a mass-basis to steel and co-products (EAF dust, slag, baghouse dust and millscale) at the North Star facility.
- Representative inventory data for raw materials and ancillary materials were modeled with unit process data taken from Ecoinvent.
- Disposal of manufacturing waste is modeled based for solid and hazardous waste generation and disposal in the United States, as specified in the PCR. Specifically, 80% of non-hazardous wastes are disposed in landfill and 20% incinerated. Transportation for end-of-life scenarios was modeled using the EPA WARM model assumption of 20 miles (~32 km), from the point of product use to a landfill, material recovery center, or waste incinerator. Ecoinvent datasets are used to model the impacts associated with incineration and landfilling, which does not include energy recovery from landfill gas.

The PCR requires the results for several inventory flows related to construction products to be reported including energy and resource use and waste and outflows. These are aggregated inventory flows, and do not characterize any potential impact; results should be interpreted considering this limitation.

### 3.6 CUT-OFF RULES

According to the PCR, processes contributing greater than 1% of the total environmental impact indicator for each impact are included in the inventory. No data gaps were allowed which were expected to significantly affect the outcome of the indicator results. No known flows are deliberately excluded from this EPD.

## **3.7 DATA SOURCES**

Primary data were provided by ASC Steel Deck and SteelScape, LLC for their manufacturing facilities, and by North Star BlueScope Steel for their EAF steel mill. The sources of secondary LCI data are the Ecoinvent database.

### Table 3. Data sources for the ASC Steel Deck

Flow	Dataset	Data Source	Publication Date
Raw Materials			Date
EAF Steel	Primary Data obtained from North Star BlueScope Steel	North Star BlueScope Steel	2020
Paints	alkyd paint production, white, solvent-based, product in 60% solution state   alkyd paint, white, without solvent, in 60% solution state   Cutoff, U - RoW	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Bonderite	market for chromium oxide, flakes   chromium oxide, flakes   Cutoff, U – GLO market for nitric acid, without water, in 50% solution state   nitric acid, without water, in 50% solution state   Cutoff, U – RoW diammonium phosphate production   diammonium phosphate   Cutoff, U – RoW market for phosphoric acid, industrial grade, without water, in 85% solution state   phosphoric acid, industrial grade, without water, in 85% solution state   Cutoff, U - GLO	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
HCI	market for hydrochloric acid, without water, in 30% solution state   Cutoff, U - RoW	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Inhibitor	market for hydrochloric acid, without water, in 30% solution state   hydrochloric acid, without water, in 30% solution state   Cutoff, U – RoW market for non-ionic surfactant   non-ionic surfactant   Cutoff, U - GLO	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Rolling Oil	lubricating oil production   lubricating oil   Cutoff, U - RoW	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Zinc ingots	market for zinc   zinc   Cutoff, U - GLO	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Aluminum ingots	aluminium, ingot, primary, import from Asia (excluding China)   aluminium, primary, ingot   Cutoff, U - IAI Area, North America	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Plastic shrink wrap	packaging film production, low density polyethylene   packaging film, low density polyethylene   Cutoff, U - RoW	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Wood skids	EUR-flat pallet production   EUR-flat pallet   Cutoff, U - RoW	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Solvents	market for solvent for paint   solvent for paint   Cutoff, U - GLO	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Chemicals	market for chemicals, inorganic   chemical, inorganic   Cutoff, U - GLO	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Cleaning chemicals	market for cleaning consumables, without water, in 13.6% solution state   cleaning consumables, without water, in 13.6% solution state   Cutoff, U - GLO	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Electricity/Heat		E 1	2022
Electricity	electricity voltage transformation from high to medium voltage   electricity, medium voltage   Cutoff, U - US-WECC	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
	adapted for eGRID 2019 NWPP market for natural gas, high pressure   natural gas, high pressure   Cutoff, U –	eGRID 2019 Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2021 2020
Natural gas	Harker for hardrangas, high pressure   hardrangas, high pressure   Curon, o – US heat and power co-generation, natural gas, conventional power plant, 100MW electrical   heat, district or industrial, natural gas   Curoff, U - US-WECC	LCOINVENC 5.7.1	2020
Light fuel oil	light fuel oil production, petroleum refinery operation   light fuel oil   Cutoff, U - RoW	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Transportation			
Truck	transport, freight, lorry 16-32 metric ton, EURO4   transport, freight, lorry 16- 32 metric ton, EURO4   Cutoff, U - RoW	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020
Rail	transport, freight train, diesel   transport, freight train   Cutoff, U - US	Ecoinvent 3.7.1	2020

### 3.8 DATA QUALITY

The data quality assessment addressed the following parameters: time-related coverage, geographical coverage, technological coverage, precision, completeness, representativeness, consistency, reproducibility, sources of data, and uncertainty.

**Table 4.** Data quality assessment for the ASC Steel Deck system.

Data Quality Parameter	Data Quality Discussion
<b>Time-Related Coverage:</b> Age of data and the minimum length of time over which data is collected	The most recent available data are used, based on other considerations such as data quality and similarity to the actual operations. Typically, these data are less than 10 years old (typically 2015 or more recent). All of the data used represented an average of at least one year's worth of data collection. Manufacturer-supplied data for EAF steelmaking (primary data) are based on a full year. For ASC Steel Deck manufacture, facility data is based on September-November 2020, due to recent changes in operations, and was considered sufficient. Using a full-year's coverage for ASC Steel Deck manufacturing could improve the time-related data quality.
Geographical Coverage: Geographical area from which data for unit processes is collected to satisfy the goal of the study	The data used in the analysis provide the best possible representation available with current data. Actual processes for upstream operations are primarily North American. Surrogate data used in the assessment are representative of North American operations. Data representative of European operations are considered sufficiently similar to actual processes. Data representing product disposal are based on regional statistics.
Technology Coverage: Specific technology or technology mix	For the most part, data are representative of the actual technologies used for processing, transportation, and manufacturing operations.
Precision: Measure of the variability of the data values for each data expressed	Precision of results are not quantified due to a lack of data. Data collected for operations were typically averaged for one or more years and over multiple operations, which is expected to reduce the variability of results.
<b>Completeness:</b> Percentage of flow that is measured or estimated	The LCA model included all known mass and energy flows for production of ASC Steel Deck. In some instances, surrogate data used to represent upstream and downstream operations may be missing some data which is propagated in the model. No known processes or activities contributing to more than 1% of the total environmental impact for each indicator are excluded.
<b>Representativeness:</b> Qualitative assessment of the degree to which the data set reflects the true population of interest	Data used in the assessment represent typical or average processes as currently reported from multiple data sources and are therefore generally representative of the range of actual processes and technologies for production of these materials. Considerable deviation may exist among actual processes on a site-specific basis; however, such a determination would require detailed data collection throughout the supply chain back to resource extraction.
<b>Consistency:</b> Qualitative assessment of whether the study methodology is applied uniformly to the various components of the analysis	The consistency of the assessment is considered to be high. Data sources of similar quality and age are used with a bias towards Ecoinvent v3.7.1 data where available. Different portions of the product life cycle are equally considered; however, it must be noted that final disposition of the product is based on assumptions of current average practices in Europe and the United States.
<b>Reproducibility:</b> Qualitative assessment of the extent to which information about the methodology and data values would allow an independent practitioner to reproduce the results reported in the study	Based on the description of data and assumptions used, this assessment would be reproducible by other practitioners. All assumptions, models, and data sources are documented.
Sources of the Data: Description of all primary and secondary data sources	Data representing energy use at the manufacturing facilities represent an annual average and are considered of high quality due to the length of time over which these data are collected, as compared to a snapshot that may not accurately reflect fluctuations in production. The Ecoinvent database is used for secondary LCI datasets.
<b>Uncertainty of the Information:</b> Uncertainty related to data, models, and assumptions	Uncertainty related to materials is low. Actual supplier data for upstream operations was not available for all suppliers and the study relied upon the use of existing representative datasets. These datasets contained relatively recent data (<10 years) but lacked geographical representativeness. Uncertainty related to the impact assessment methods used in the study are high. The impact assessment method required by the PCRs includes impact potentials, which lack characterization of providing and receiving environments or tipping points.

### 3.9 PERIOD UNDER REVIEW

The period of review for the ASC Steel Deck Kalama facility is September 1, 2020 through November 31, 2020. For the North Star BlueScope Steel facility, the period of review is July 1, 2019 through June 1, 2020.

### 3.10 ALLOCATION

With respect to the steel scrap, the 100-0 recycled content approach is used in which the recycled material bears only the burden of any processing from waste material.

Mass allocation was deemed the most accurate and reproducible way of calculating the energy and material requirements for the manufacture of steel coil and co-products. Primary data for resource use (e.g., electricity, natural gas, water), waste/co-products, and emissions released, are allocated on a mass-basis as a fraction of total annual production of rebar and the co-products, including EAF slag, millscale and baghouse dust.

The transportation from primary producer of material components (e.g., alloys, fluxes) to steel mill and the Kalama facility are based on primary data provided by North Star and ASC Steel Deck, including modes, distances, and amount of steel transported from each supplier to the respective facility. Transportation was allocated on the basis of the mass and distance the material was transported.

### 3.11 COMPARABILITY

The PCR this EPD was based on was not written to support comparative assertions. EPDs based on different PCRs, or different calculation models, may not be comparable. When attempting to compare EPDs or life cycle impacts of products from different companies, the user should be aware of the uncertainty in the final results, due to and not limited to, the practitioner's assumptions, the source of the data used in the study, and the specifics of the product modeled.

# 4. LCA: Scenarios and Additional Technical Information

#### Manufacturing

Electric arc furnace (EAF) steelmaking and hot rolling occurs at the North Star BlueScope Steel facility in Delta, Ohio. Cold rolling and coating occurs at Steelscape Kalama facility. The manufacturing of ASC Steel Deck at the Kalama facility involves process steps including: de-coiling; coil slitting (optional: in-line slitting or cut-to-length slitting); roll forming; cutting (shearing); and packaging and loading.

Coated coil is received at the roll forming facility, loaded onto a coil handler and decoiled. The steel is then fed to the roll forming machines, and, depending on profile being produced, the in-line slitter is simultaneously used to slit the coil at various widths across the width of the coil based on the desired length. The roll formed product is sheared to lengths, based on customer specifications. Finished goods are stacked and banded for shipping.

Electricity is modeled using ecoinvent v3.7.1 and modified to meet the grid mix for the North Star facility, which is located in the RFCW eGRID 2019 subregion, and the grid mix for the Kalama facility, which is located in the NWPP eGRID 2019 subregion.

Transportation of waste materials at manufacturing assumes a 20 mile (~32 km) average distance to disposal, consistent with assumptions used in the US EPA WARM model. Assumed disposal rates for nonhazardous wastes are based on US EPA SMM rates of 20% incineration and 80% landfilled. Hazardous wastes are disposed by landfilling. Recycling of EAF dust is discussed in section 3.5 and based on actual modes of transport and distances, provided by the manufacturer.

# 5. LCA: Results

Results of the Life Cycle Assessment are presented below. It is noted that LCA results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks.

The following environmental impact category indicators are reported using characterization factors based on the U.S. EPA's Tool for the Reduction and Assessment of Chemical and Other Environmental Impacts – TRACI 2.1 and CML-IA.

CMLI-A Impact Category	Unit	TRACI 2.1 Impact Category	Unit
Global Warming Potential (GWP)	kg CO2 eq	Global Warming Potential (GWP)	kg CO2 eq
Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer (ODP)	kg CFC 11 eq	Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP)	kg CFC 11 eq
Acidification Potential of soil and water (AP)	kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq	Acidification Potential (AP)	kg SO2 eq
Eutrophication Potential (EP)	kg PO₄³- eq	Eutrophication Potential (EP)	kg N eq
Photochemical Oxidant Creation Potential (POCP)	kg C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> eq	Smog Formation Potential (SFP)	kg O₃ eq
Abiotic depletion potential (ADP-elements) for non-fossil resources	kg Sb eq	Fossil Fuel Depletion Potential (FFD)	MJ Surplus, LHV
Abiotic depletion potential (ADP-fossil fuels) for fossil resources	MJ, LHV	-	-

These impact categories 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.

The following inventory parameters, specified by the PCR, are also reported.

Resources	Unit	Waste and Outflows	Unit
RPR <sub>E</sub> : Renewable primary resources used as energy carrier (fuel)	MJ, LHV	HWD: Hazardous waste disposed	kg
<b>RPR<sub>M</sub>:</b> Renewable primary resources with energy content used as material	MJ, LHV	NHWD: Non-hazardous waste disposed	kg
NRPR <sub>E</sub> : Non-renewable primary resources used as an energy carrier (fuel)	MJ, LHV	HLRW: High-level radioactive waste, conditioned, to final repository	kg
<b>NRPR<sub>M</sub>:</b> Non-renewable primary resources with energy content used as material	MJ, LHV	ILLRW: Intermediate- and low-level radioactive waste, conditioned, to final repository	kg
SM: Secondary materials	MJ, LHV	CRU: Components for re-use	kg
RSF: Renewable secondary fuels	MJ, LHV	MR: Materials for recycling	kg
NRSF: Non-renewable secondary fuels	MJ, LHV	MER: Materials for energy recovery	kg
RE: Recovered energy	MJ, LHV	<b>EE:</b> Recovered energy exported from the product system	MJ, LHV
FW: Use of net freshwater resources	m <sup>3</sup>	-	-

**Table 5.** Life Cycle Impact Assessment (LCIA) results for ASC Steel Deck based on EAF Steel. Results reported in MJ are calculated using lower heating values. All values are rounded to three significant digits.

Impact Catagory	Life cycle stage					
Impact Category	A1	A2	A3	Total (A1-A3)		
CML-IA						
GWP (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq)	1,870	0.265	127	2,000		
	93.6%	0.013%	6.38%	100%		
AP (kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq)	6.86	0.00101	0.355	7.22		
AI (Kg 502 Eq)	95.1%	0.014%	4.93%	100%		
EP (kg (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sup>3-</sup> eq)	1,020	0.0406	153	1,180		
LF (Kg (FO4) Eq)	87.0%	0.003%	12.99%	100%		
	0.509	3.36x10⁻⁵	0.0310	0.540		
POCP (kg C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> eq)	94.3%	0.006%	5.74%	100%		
	1.31x10 <sup>-4</sup>	4.84x10 <sup>-8</sup>	9.69x10 <sup>-6</sup>	1.40x10 <sup>-4</sup>		
ODP (kg CFC-11 eq)	93.1%	0.034%	6.91%	100%		
	7.93x10 <sup>-5</sup>	2.41x10 <sup>-9</sup>	1.51x10⁻⁵	9.44x10 <sup>-5</sup>		
ADPE (kg Sb eq)	84.0%	0.003%	15.96%	100%		
	20,500	3.98	1,410	21,900		
ADPF (MJ)	93.5%	0.018%	6.46%	100%		
TRACI 2.1						
GWP (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq)	1,850	0.264	126	1,980		
GWI (Kg CO2 Eq)	93.6%	0.013%	6.38%	100%		
AP (kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq)	7.49	0.00118	0.372	7.86		
AF (kg 302 eq)	95.2%	0.015%	4.74%	100%		
	5.43	2.77×10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.394	5.83		
EP (kg N eq)	93.2%	0.005%	6.75%	100%		
	140	0.0294	5.73	145		
SFP (kg O₃ eq)	96.0%	0.020%	3.94%	100%		
	1.70×10 <sup>-4</sup>	6.44x10 <sup>-8</sup>	1.25x10 <sup>-5</sup>	1.83x10 <sup>-4</sup>		
ODP (kg CFC-11 eq)	93.1%	0.035%	6.83%	100%		
	2,050	0.583	154	2,200		
FFD (MJ eq)	93.0%	0.026%	6.99%	100%		

Comparisons cannot be made between product-specific or industry average EPDs at the design stage of a project, before a building has been specified. Comparisons may be made between product-specific or industry average EPDs at the time of product purchase when product performance and specifications have been established and serve as a functional unit for comparison. Environmental impact results shall be converted to a functional unit basis before any comparison is attempted.

Any comparison of EPDs shall be subject to the requirements of ISO 21930. EPDs are not comparative assertions and are either not comparable or have limited comparability when they have different system boundaries, are based on different product category rules or are missing relevant environmental impacts. Such comparison can be inaccurate and could lead to erroneous selection of materials or products which are higher-impact, at least in some impact categories.

Devementer		Life cycl	le stage	
Parameter	A1	A2	A3	Total (A1-A3)
Resources				
RPR <sub>E</sub> (MJ)	1,030	0.0538	101	1,130
	91.0%	0.0048%	8.95%	100%
RPR <sub>M</sub> (MJ)	0.0	0.0	0.954	0.954
MIX 57	0.0	0.0	100%	100%
NRPR <sub>E</sub> (MJ)	17,000	3.82	1,040	18,000
	94%	0.021%	5.8%	100%
NRPR <sub>M</sub> (MJ)	0	0	0	0
SM (MT)	0.972	0.0	0.0	0.972
	100%	0%	0%	100%
RSF/NRSF (MJ)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RE (MJ)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>EN4</b> ( 3)	17.9	0.00251	1.45	19.3
FW (m <sup>3</sup> )	93%	0.01%	7.47%	100%
Wastes				
HWD (kg)	0.436	1.06x10 <sup>-5</sup>	3.04x10 <sup>-3</sup>	0.439
(100)	99.3%	0.002%	0.693%	100%
NHWD (kg)	169	0.195	47.3	217
NITWD (Kg)	78.1%	0.090%	21.8%	100%
	0.0102	3.09x10 <sup>-7</sup>	3.48x10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.0106
HLRW (kg)	96.7%	0.0029%	3.30%	100%
	0.0646	2.76x10 <sup>-5</sup>	3.59x10 <sup>-3</sup>	0.0683
ILLRW (kg)	94.7%	0.040%	5.26%	100%
CRU (kg)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	13.6	0.0	40.7	54.3
MR (kg)	25.0%	0%	75.0%	100%
MER (kg)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EE (MJ)	Neg.	Neg.	Neg.	Neg.

**Table 6.** Resource use and waste flows for ASC Steel Deck based on EAF Steel. Results reported in MJ are calculated using lower heating values. All values are rounded to three significant digits.

Neg = negligible

The PCR requires the calculation of carbon emissions and removals, all of which are negligible due to the fact that no biogenic carbon is included in the product and any packaging is negligible.

# 6. LCA: Interpretation

The contributions to total impact indicator results are dominated by the raw material extraction and processing stage (A1) for many indicators, followed by the product manufacturing phase (A3).

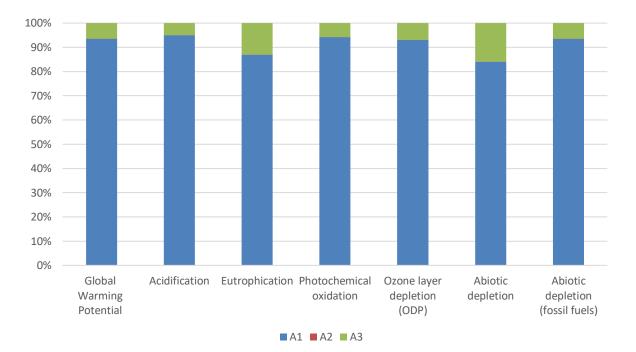


Figure 2. Contribution analysis for the ASC Steel Deck, manufactured from EAF Steel.

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