

Global GreenTag<sup>Cert™</sup> EPD Program

Compliant to EN 15804:2012+A1 2013

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# **EPD Verification and LCA Details**

EPD Scope	Cradle to Gate			
EPD Number	PLF H3 2021EP			
Issue Date	10 <sup>th</sup> August 2021			
Valid Until	10 <sup>th</sup> August 2026			



#### **Demonstration of Verification**

CEN standard EN 15804 serves as the core Product Category Rules (PCR)

Independent external verification of the declaration and data, according to ISO 14025:2010

External	AsHAR 0th Aug 2021
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a: Optional for business-to-business communication; mandatory for business-to-consumer communication (see EN ISO 14025:2010, 9.4)

The EPD is property of declared manufacturer. Different program EPDs may not be comparable as e.g. Australian transport is often more than elsewhere. Comparability is further dependent on the product category rules used and the source of the data. Further explanatory information is found at info@globalgreentag.com or contact: certification1@globalgreentag.com.

This EPD discloses potential environmental outcomes compliant with EN 15804 for business-tobusiness communication.

LCIA results are relative expressions that do not predict impacts on category endpoints, exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks.

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#### **Product Information**

Product name	Polyflor Heterogeneous flooring							
Product codes	Forest fx PUR							
Declared Unit	The declared produ	The declared product per kilogram						
Product Specifications	Heterogeneous 2.0	mm gauge flooring						
Standards	ISO 10582: 2017: Resilient floor coverings – Heterogeneous Polyvinylchloride floor coverings - Specification.							
Manufacture	Fleck Way, Teessic	de Industrial Estate, Thornaby-o	on-Tees, TS17 9JZ, UK					
Manufacture warranty	10 years							
Representation Site & Geography	United Kingdom, E	urope, Pacific Rim and Australa	asia.					
	Property	Conformance to Standard	Forest fx PUR					
	Performance	ISO10582	Conforms					
	Reaction to Fire	EN 13501-1 Class	Bfl-S1					
Functional & Technical	Use Area	EN 685/ISO 10874	23, 34 & 43					
Performance	Slip Resistance	DIN51130	R10					
	VOC Emissions	Indoor Air Comfort	Eurofins Gold certified					
		AgBB/ABG	Pass					
Data quality,	Cut-off criteria and	data quality complies with EN <sup>2</sup>	15804					
range & variability	Significant difference	ces of average LCIA results are	edeclared					
Primary Data	Data was collected in accordance with EN ISO 14044:2006, 4.3.2, from primary sources including the manufacturer, suppliers and their publications on standards, locations, logistics, technology, market share, management systems and commitments to improved environmental performance.							
No Chemicals of Very High Concern	Contains no substances in the "Authorised or Candidate Lists of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHCs)" with the European Chemicals Agency							



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# **Program Description**

EPD type	Cradle to gate (A1 to A3) as defined by EN 15804 and depicted in Figure 1
System boundary	The system boundary with nature includes material and energy system input processing plus manufacture and transport to factory gate plus waste arising.
Service Life	The reference service life is unspecified for cradle to gate scope
Comparability	Construction product EPDs may not be comparable if not EN15804 compliant
Stages included	A1, A2, A3 as depicted and denoted by x in Figure 1
Stages excluded	A4-5, B1-7, C1-1& D as depicted and denoted by MND in Figure 1
Product stages	Stages are included from A1 raw material acquisition, extraction, refining and processing plus reuse of scrap or material from previous systems; electricity generated from all sources with extraction, refining & transport; plus, secondary fuel energy and recovery processes.
included	Also, A2 transport internal and to the factory gate as well as A3 manufacture of product packaging, inputs, ancillary material and system flows leaving at end-of-waste boundary as coproducts

#### **Information Modules**

As Figure 1 shows an x marking LCA and EPD results to be shown summed for modules A1-3. Modules A4 to C4 and D are not declared marked MND which does not indicate zero inventory or impact.

Model	Ac	tual				Sc	cena	rios									Po	ten	tial
Phase	Pr	odu	се	Con	struct	Bui	Iding	g Fa	bric		Bui Use	lding B	<sup>ng</sup> End of life			Beyond Boundary			
Module	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	В1	B2	B3	В4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	2 C3 C4		D1, D2 D		
Unit Operations	Resource supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Construction	Use	Maintain	Repair	Replace	Refurbish	Operating Energy	Operating Water	Demolish	Transport	Process Waste	Disposal	Reuse	Recovery	Recycling
Cradle to Gate	x	x	X	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	DNM	MND	MND	MND	MND





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# **Base Material Origin and Detail**

Table 1 lists product composition by function, component, source and mass share amount.

Function	Component	Source	Forest fx PUR
Binder	Polyvinylchloride	UK, EU	>50<53
Filler	Dolomite	UK	>26<29
Plasticiser	Dioctyl terephthalate	South Korea	>23<25
Carrier	Fibreglass	EU	>1<3
Plasticiser	Epoxidised Soy Bean Oil	UK	>1<3
Stabiliser	Calcium Zinc Soap	EU	>1<3
Viscosity depressant	Fatty acid esters	UK	>1<2
Coating	Polyurethane	UK, EU	>0.5<1.5
Print pattern	Pigmented Inks	EU	>0.5<1.0
White	Titania	UK	>0.3<0.8
UV stabiliser	Hydroxyoctyloxybenzophenone	UK	>0.1<0.2
Other	Colour, defoamer	UK, EU	>0.1<0.6



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# Scope and System Boundary

Figure 2 shows included processes in a cradle to gate system boundary and dashed lines defining excluded scenarios to end of life fate to recycling or to landfill grave.

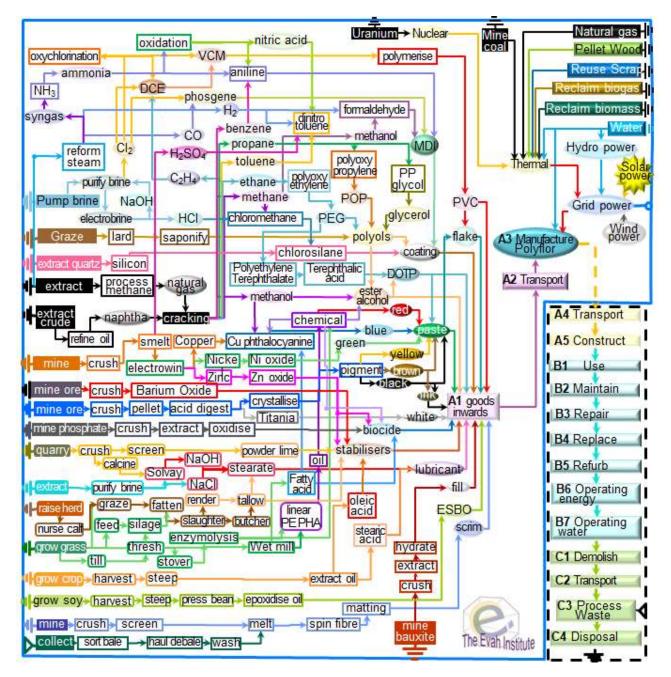


Figure 2 Process Flow Cradle to Gate Scope in Cradle to Grave System Boundary



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# **Cradle to Gate Inventory and Potential Impact Results**

Table 2 shows inputs, outputs and potential impacts per declared unit.

Table 2	Resource Amounts A1-A3 /kg		
	Inventory Input Categories	Unit	Forest fx PUR
	Net Fresh Water	m³	0.83
	Secondary Material	kg	3.5E-03
	Renewable Secondary Fuels	MJ ncv	0.E+00
	Primary Renewable Energy Not Feedstock	MJ <sub>ncv</sub> <sup>1</sup>	0.32
	Primary Energy Renewable Feedstock Material	MJ ncv	15
	Total Primary Renewable Energy Resources	MJ <sub>ncv</sub>	1.5
	Non-Renewable Secondary Fuels	$MJ_{ncv}$	16
	Primary Energy Non-renewable Not Feedstock	MJ <sub>ncv</sub>	59
	Non-renewable Primary Energy Feedstock	MJ nev	24
	Total Non-renewable Primary Energy Resources	MJ nev	82
	Inventory Output Categories		
	Hazardous Waste Disposed	kg	1.1E-02
	Non-hazardous Waste Disposed	kg	0.68
	Radioactive Waste Disposed	kg	1.8E-09
	Components for Reuse	kg	0.59
	Material for Recycling	kg	0
	Material for Energy Recovery	kg	4.7E-02
	Exported Electrical Energy	$MJ_{ncv}$	0.E+00
	Exported Thermal Energy	$MJ_{ncv}$	0.E+00
	Potential Impact Categories		
	Global Warming	kg CO <sub>2e</sub>	3.5
	Stratospheric Ozone Depletion	kg R11 <sub>e</sub>	2.0E-09
	Photochemical Ozone Creation	$kg \ C_2 H_{4e}$	1.2E-02
	Acidification of Land and Water	kg SO <sub>2e</sub>	1.2E-02
	Eutrophication	kg PO <sub>4e</sub> <sup>3</sup>	2.6E-03
	Abiotic Depletion Fossil Fuel	MJ <sub>ncv</sub>	4.0
	Abiotic Depletion Mineral (Elemental)	kg Sb <sub>eq</sub>	4.9E-03

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ncv stands for net calorific value

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#### Interpretation

The majority of impacts derive from the binder. Typically, of the gross energy embodied in these products, a quarter is used at the Teesside factory half is in making PVC, 20% in plasticisers and 5% in all remaining operations.

The product Global Warming Potential (GWP) correlated with ADP Fossil Fuel Depletion which is typical of mineral filled polymer floorcovering.

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