

# ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION



In accordance with ISO 14044 and ASTM PCR for:




Water Based Coating Products

Water-Resistive & Air Barriers

from Carlisle Coatings & Waterproofing Inc.



## EPD DETAILS

Program Operator	NSF Certification, LLC 789 N Dixboro Road Ann Arbor, MI 48105, USA <a href="http://www.nsf.org">www.nsf.org</a>		
General Program instructions and Version Number	NSF Program Operator Rules, January 14, 2020		
Manufacturer Name and Address	Carlisle Coatings & Waterproofing Inc. 900 Hensley Lane Wylie, Texas, USA 75098		
Product Identification	Water Based Coating Products (Barritech VP, Barritech NP & Barritech NP-LT)		
Declared Product and Functional Unit	(1) m <sup>2</sup> of product following the ASTM Water-Resistive & Air Barrier		
Declaration Number	EPD10574		
Reference PCR and Version Number	ASTM International: Water-Resistive and Air Barriers Valid: Sept. 2022 [1].  (UNCPC 54530 and/or CSI Master Format Designations 072500, 072600 and 072700)		
Markets of applicability	North America		
Date of Issue	June 30, 2021		
Period of Validity	5 Years		
EPD Type	Product Specific		
EPD Scope	Cradle to Gate		
Year of reported manufacturer primary data	2020		
LCA Software and Version Number	Simapro v9.01		
LCI database and version Number	Ecoinvent 3.6 [1] and Industry 2.0 [2]		
LCIA Methodology and Version Number	TRACI 2.1 [2]		
The PCR review conducted by;	Thomas P. Gloria, Industrial Ecology Consultants (chairperson)  Graham Finch, RDH Building Science, Inc.  Paul H. Shipp, USG Corporation		
This declaration was independently verified in accordance with ISO 14025:2006 [5]. ASTM International “Water-Resistive and Air Barriers), based on ISO 21930:2007 [6], serves as the core PCR.  <input type="checkbox"/> INTERNAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXTERNAL	 Tony Favilla, NSF International		

<p>This life cycle assessment was independently verified in accordance with ISO 14044 [7] and the reference PCR by:</p>	 Jack Geibig, Ecoform
<p>This life cycle assessment was conducted in accordance with ISO 14044 [7] and the reference PCR by:</p>	<p>Intertek Health Sciences Inc. 2233 Argentia Road, Suite 201 Mississauga, Ontario, Canada L5N 2X7 <a href="http://www.intertek.com">www.intertek.com</a></p>  The logo for Intertek Sustainability, featuring a stylized globe icon to the left of the text "intertek sustainability".

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Company Information

This cradle to gate environmental product declaration is for produced for Water-Resistive & Air Barriers products Barritech VP, Barritech NP & Barritech NP-LT from the location fully owned and operated by Carlisle Coatings & Waterproofing Inc. in USA, as follows:

For more than 45 years, CCW solutions have led the way in providing watertight, reliable waterproofing solutions to suit a variety of building sites. They provide time-tested and innovative solutions that incorporate the latest waterproofing technologies. Their complete waterproofing systems offer a single source warranty to streamline your next project from specification to delivery.



Further information regarding Carlisle Coatings & Waterproofing Inc. can be accessed at: <https://www.carlisleccw.com>

### Product Information

Air barriers are essential for a high-performing building envelope. They dramatically improve building energy efficiency, indoor comfort, and longevity. CCW provides three types of water-resistive and air barrier products: self-adhered sheet, fluid-applied, and fluid-applied vapor-permeable. All have been evaluated by the Air Barrier Association of America (ABAA) and meet the most stringent energy codes including: 2012 & 2015 IECC; 2010 & 2013 ASHRAE 90.1; Massachusetts Energy Code 780 CMR; and the Canadian National Building Code.



Water-based fluid applied fire resistant vapor permeable air barrier. Barritech VP is applied to exterior wall assemblies where it functions as an air barrier and water-resistive barrier. This product may be installed down to 20F. Barritech VP can be applied over concrete block, concrete, exterior gypsum sheathing, plywood, OSB, and many other common materials. The product is fully adhered to the substrate, flexible and rubber-like. Barritech VP is a single component, air-drying product applied by spray or roller at nominal 40 mils dry film thickness. The high film thickness and flexible, elastic properties enable Barritech VP to bridge cracks and seal around penetrations which creates a truly continuous, monolithic air and water barrier.

Barritech NP is a fluid-applied membranes of fire-retardant synthetic polymer composition. Barritech NP is applied to exterior wall assemblies where it functions as an air barrier, vapor barrier and water resistive barrier. Barritech NP can be applied over concrete block, concrete, exterior gypsum sheathing, plywood, OSB and many other common building materials. The product is fully adhered to the substrate, flexible and rubber-like. Barritech NP is a single component, air-drying product applied by spray or roller at nominal 40 mils dry film thickness. The high film thickness and flexible, elastic

properties enable Barritech NP to bridge cracks and seal around penetrations which creates a truly continuous, monolithic air, vapor, and water barrier.

Barritech NP-LT is a fluid-applied membranes of fire-retardant synthetic polymer composition. This product allows for installation below freezing temperatures to enable work to continue during winter. Barritech NP-LT is applied to exterior wall assemblies where it functions as an air barrier, vapor barrier and water resistive barrier. Barritech NP-LT can be applied over concrete block, concrete, exterior gypsum sheathing, plywood, OSB and many other common building materials. The product is fully adhered to the substrate, flexible and rubber-like. Barritech NP-LT is a single component, air-drying product applied by spray or roller at nominal 40 mils dry film thickness. The high film thickness and flexible, elastic properties enable Barritech NP-LT to bridge cracks and seal around penetrations which creates a truly continuous, monolithic air, vapor, and water barrier.

**TABLE 1. PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS AND PRODUCTION INFORMATION**

Product	Product Density (kg/L)	Dry Product Thickness (m <sup>2</sup> /L)	Dry Product Thickness (m <sup>2</sup> /kg)
Barritech VP	1.306	0.6136	0.470
Barritech NP	1.090	0.5645	0.518
Barritech NP-LT	1.090	0.5645	0.518

EPDs for fluid applied products shall note that environmental impact results will be proportional to dry product thickness if applied for a specific application to a thickness other than as specified in the EPD.

**TABLE 2. TECHNICAL DATA FOR PRODUCTS**

Product	Product Type and Performance	Physical Properties
Barritech VP	Air Barriers	Colour: (Un-Cured: Light Blue Cured: Medium Blue) Volume % solids: 66% VOC: <48 g/L Water Resistance of In-place membrane: No water leakage through membrane Water Vapour Permeance: 14 perms (ASTM E96B) 0.7 perm (ASTM E96A) Air Permeance: <math>\leq 0.001 \text{ L/s}\cdot\text{m}^2 @ 75 \text{ Pa}</math> [0.0002 CFM/ft <sup>2</sup> @ 1.57 PSF]
Barritech NP	Air Barriers	Colour: (Un-Cured: Medium Blue Cured: Dark Blue) Volume % solids: 55% VOC: 22 g/L Water Resistance of In-place membrane: No water leakage through membrane Water Vapour Permeance: 0.05 perms (ASTM E96A) 0.77 perm (ASTM E96B) Air Permeance: 0.003 L/s·m <sup>2</sup> @ 75 Pa
Barritech NP-LT	Air Barriers	Colour: (Un-Cured: Medium Blue Cured: Dark Blue) Volume % solids: 54% VOC: 147 g/L Water Resistance of In-place membrane: No water leakage through membrane Water Vapour Permeance: 0.05 perms (ASTM E96A) 0.77 perm (ASTM E96B) Air Permeance: 0.003 L/s·m <sup>2</sup> @ 75 Pa

**TABLE 3. ADDITIONAL SYSTEM PERFORMANCE INFORMATION**

Product	ASTM
Barritech VP	ASTM D 1970, ASTM E 96, 2178, 2357 ASTM C 1305 & AATCC Method 127
Barritech NP, Barritech NP - LT	ASTM E 96 & 2178 ASTM C 1305

Some of the material ingredients used in the water-based coating products are identified as hazardous or toxic. The substances which are identified based on the MSDS sheets are listed below:

**TABLE 4. SUBSTANCE LIST - WATER BASED COATING PRODUCTS**

Chemical	CAS#
Vinyl acetate	108-05-4
Acetaldehyde	75-07-0
Distillates (petroleum), hydrotreated heavy naphthenic	64742-52-5
Distillates (petroleum), solvent-dewaxed heavy paraffinic	64742-65-0
Dibenzyl phthalate	523-31-9
Chlorinated paraffin	1372804-76-6
Ammonium hydroxide, ACS	1336-21-6
Ethanolamine	141-43-5
2,2'-iminodiethanol	111-42-2
ethylene glycol	107-21-1
2,4,7,9 - Tetramethyldec-5-yne-4,7-diol	126-86-3
propylene glycol	57-55-6
Phthalo blue	12239-87-1
Calcium carbonate	1317-65-3
Crystalline silica (Quartz)	14808-60-7
methanol	67-56-1
Bis(pentamethyl-4-piperidyl)sebacate	41556-26-7
Methyl pentamethyl-4-piperdyl sebacate	82919-37-7
4,4-dimethyloxazolidine	51200-87-4
3,4,4-trimethyl oxazolidine	75673-43-7
2-amino-2-methyl-1-propanol	124-68-5
Methyl-1H-benzimidazol-2-ylcarbamate	10605-21-7
Butyl carbamate	55406-53-6
α-(4-Nonylphenyl)-ω-hydroxy-poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl) branched	127087-87-0
Nonyl phenol	84852-15-3
Carbon black	1333-86-4
Stoddard solvent	8052-41-3
Ammonia	7664-41-7
1,2-benzisothiazol-3(2H)-one	2634-33-5



## Product Application

Barritech VP is a water-based fluid applied fire-resistant vapor permeable air barrier. Barritech VP is applied to exterior wall assemblies where it functions as an air barrier and water-resistive barrier. This product may be installed down to 20F. Barritech VP can be applied over concrete block, concrete, exterior gypsum sheathing, plywood, OSB, and many other common materials. The product is fully adhered to the substrate, flexible and rubber-like. Barritech VP is a single component, air-drying product applied by spray or roller at nominal 40 mils dry film thickness. The high film thickness and flexible, elastic properties enable Barritech VP to bridge cracks and seal around penetrations which creates a truly continuous, monolithic air and water barrier.

Barritech NP is a fluid-applied membranes of fire-retardant synthetic polymer composition. Barritech NP is applied to exterior wall assemblies where it functions as an air barrier, vapor barrier and water resistive barrier. Barritech NP can be applied over concrete block, concrete, exterior gypsum sheathing, plywood, OSB and many other common building materials. The product is fully adhered to the substrate, flexible and rubber-like. Barritech NP is a single component, air-drying product applied by spray or roller at nominal 40 mils dry film thickness. The high film thickness and flexible, elastic properties enable Barritech NP to bridge cracks and seal around penetrations which creates a truly continuous, monolithic air, vapor, and water barrier.

Barritech NP-LT is a fluid-applied membranes of fire-retardant synthetic polymer composition. This product allows for installation below freezing temperatures to enable work to continue during winter. Barritech NP-LT is applied to exterior wall assemblies where it functions as an air barrier, vapor barrier and water resistive barrier. Barritech NP-LT can be applied over concrete block, concrete, exterior gypsum sheathing, plywood, OSB and many other common building materials. The product is fully adhered to the substrate, flexible and rubber-like. Barritech NP-LT is a single component, air-drying product applied by spray or roller at nominal 40 mils dry film thickness. The high film thickness and flexible, elastic properties enable Barritech NP-LT to bridge cracks and seal around penetrations which creates a truly continuous, monolithic air, vapor, and water barrier.

## Study Application

This study was conducted to provide CCW with the cradle-to-gate environmental impacts associated with the Barritech VP, Barritech NP & Barritech NP-LT and to create the EPD for the products. The LCA study evaluates the environmental impacts at various stages of the lifecycle Water Based Coating Products. The results are intended to inform the creation of this EPD. This assessment is not intended to be used for comparative assertion as the scope of the study is limited to a cradle-to-gate. The intended audience of this study is both internal to CCW and external (Business-to-Business and Business-to-Consumer) to CCW *via* an EPD document.

## Declaration of Methodological Framework

This EPD is considered a Cradle-to-Gate study. A summary of the life cycle stages included in this EPD is presented in Table 5. The Allocation and Cut-off rules applied to this study have been discussed in detail further in the report. The LCA Study followed an attributional approach and no known flows are deliberately excluded from this EPD.

## Flow Diagram

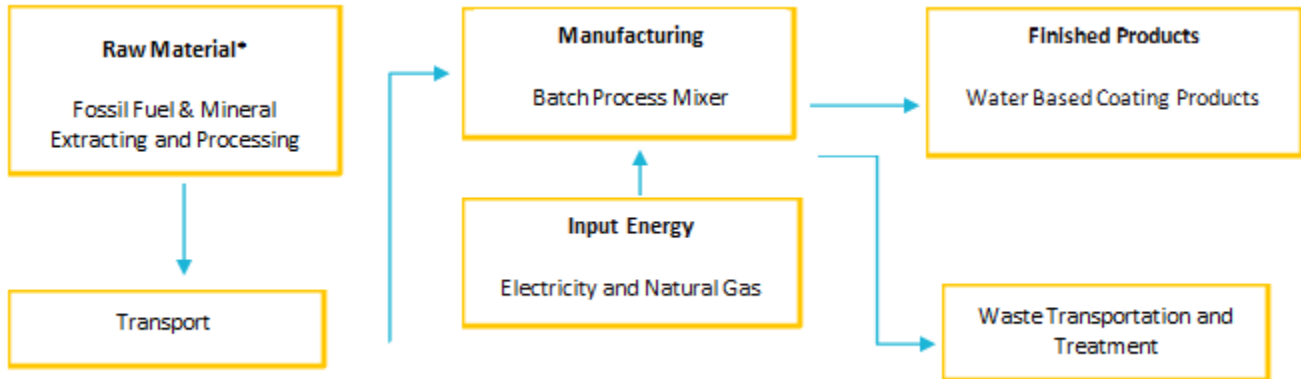


FIGURE 1. UNIT FLOW DIAGRAM FOR WATER BASED COATING PRODUCTS

## Manufacturing Process

The water-based coating products are manufactured by Carlisle at their Wylie, Texas Facility. The Manufacturing of the formulated product is mixed from its raw materials in a batch process. The product is then pressed out of the mixer and packaged in 5-gallon pails for shipment. In this process, quality, environmental, and any other regulatory standards are observed.

## Period Under Review

The period of review is calendar year 2020.

## Comparability & Benchmarking

This EPD should not be used for comparative assertions as the scope of the study is cradle-to-gate and does not include the use and end-of-life phase. 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 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 modelled.

## LCA CALCULATION RULES

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### Declared Unit

The declared unit is defined as (1) m<sup>2</sup> of product following the ASTM International Water-Resistive & Air Barrier PCR [1].



## System Boundary

The LCA system boundary for all of the water-resistive and air barrier products includes cradle-to-gate life cycle stages. This boundary considers product stages such as: raw material extraction and processing, transport to the manufacturer, packaging, and manufacturing activities.

Construction, use, end-of-life, and the benefits and loads beyond the system boundary for reuse, recovery, and recycling potential, are not included in this study. The cradle-to-gate system boundary includes all unit processes contributing measurably to the category indicator results. As per the sensitivity analysis performed the system boundary does not need any refining and all the stages included in the initial system boundary stay the same.

Other Elements that are excluded from the system boundary are the manufacture, maintenance and decommissioning of capital equipment (e.g. buildings, machines, and vehicles), as well as the background infrastructure in both primary and secondary data. The deletion of these processes and inputs is permitted since it is not expected to significantly change the overall conclusions of the study. A description of each life cycle stage, in accordance with the PCR, is provided below

The study avoids the value choices such as normalization or grouping of indicator results and the LCA study is conducted with the best of the practitioner’s knowledge.

**TABLE 5. THE LIFE CYCLE STAGES INCLUDED IN THE SYSTEM BOUNDARY FOR ALL PRODUCTS**

Upstream			Core		Downstream												Other
Product Stage			Construction Process Stage		Use Stage							End of Life Stage				Benefits and Loads Beyond	
Raw Material Supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Construction	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational Energy Use	Operational Water Use	Demolition	Transport	Waste Processing	Disposal	Future reuse, recycling, or energy recovery potential	
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
X	X	X	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	

X = included in the study, ND = module not declared

### **A1-A3: Production Stage information modules**

Extraction and Upstream Production (A1) includes the extraction of all raw materials, including the transport to the raw material processing site. Resource use and emissions associated with extraction of the raw materials and product component manufacturing is included. It also includes the generation of energy from the primary resources used during extraction and processing.

Transport to manufacturing facility (A2) includes the impacts associated with the transport of the processed raw materials to the manufacturing facility.

Manufacturing (A3) includes all the relevant manufacturing processes and flows, including the impacts from energy use and emissions at the facility. It also includes the transportation to landfill of all processing waste, including the empty back hauls. Production of capital goods, infrastructure, manufacturing equipment, and personnel-related activities are not included. This stage also includes the packaging of finished product.

## Allocation

Based on the information provided by CCW a physical allocation by mass was applied. The primary data for resource use (electricity, natural gas, water, etc.) and waste are allocated on a mass basis as a fraction of total annual production (October 2019 to September 2020).

Additionally, ISO 14044 [7] addresses allocation procedures for reuse and recycling situations. Several allocation scenarios and procedures are addressed by the standard, including consideration of both closed-loop and open-loop recovery systems. For this LCA study there are no closed or open loop system.

## Assumptions

The Ecoinvent 3.6 database is one of the most comprehensive and reliable resources for LCA data available globally. The inputs for manufacturing, packaging, and transporting the air & water barrier products w provided by CCW.

While raw material and sub-component data sets within the Ecoinvent 3.6 database typically include raw material extraction, transport, infrastructure, emissions, waste and energy use, they do not include any packaging and/or palletizing that is applied to sub-components in their transport to the finished product manufacturer.

- The dimensions of the pallets were provided by CCW. However, desktop research was required to determine the pallet weights, using the given dimensions.
- The Cardboard box dimension and weights were calculated using values determined through desktop research and images provided by CCW.
- All input information is assumed to be as accurate as possible at the time of the study (2019/2020).
- Inventory data for packaging, and ancillary materials were modelled with unit process data taken from Ecoinvent.

## Cut-Off Rules

The following cut-off criteria was considered.

- The mass and energy flow that consist of less than 1% may be omitted from the inventory analysis and the total omitted mass or energy flows shall not exceed 5%.
- The cut-off criteria was not applied to any substance which are identified as hazardous or toxic and all such substances are included in the inventory.

A sensitivity analysis was performed to determine the environmental significance of this cut-off criteria, which showed no significant impact to the outcome of the study.

## Data Quality

**TABLE 6. DATA QUALITY ASSESSMENT**

Requirement	Assessment
<b>Time Related Coverage:</b> age of data and the minimum length of time over which data should be collected	The material and energy inputs provided by CCW are from the manufacturer based on measured primary data in 2019-20 for their products.

Requirement	Assessment
	<p>Data for the Life Cycle Inventory (LCI) was obtained primarily from Ecoinvent 3.6 datasets and in some cases from Industry 2.0 datasets, the most up-to-date version available at the time of the study. Many of the parameters included in the study, reference data from 2020 are used. Thus, it is considered high quality data.</p>
<p><b>Geographical Coverage:</b> geographical area from which data for unit processes should be collected to satisfy the goal of the study</p>	<p>The Ecoinvent 3.6 database, typically base their research and measurement on specific producers, usually in Europe and adjust for global energy and transport considerations.</p> <p>The electricity grid selected for the production phase was specific to the USA, where the manufacturers are located. Thus, the data is considered high quality.</p>
<p><b>Technology Coverage:</b> specific technology or technology mix</p>	<p>CCW provided the primary material and energy input data, based on their sales data and composition of the air and water barrier products and its transport packaging. CCW production and materials do not evolve quickly and thus analysis is based on current technologies for the product.</p> <p>Technology, materials, and processes used in the Ecoinvent 3.6 and Industry Data 2.0 are mostly current and typically reference data from 2020. Thus, it is considered medium quality.</p>
<p><b>Precision:</b> measure of the variability of the data values for each data expressed</p>	<p>CCW provided the primary material and energy input data, based on sales data and composition and density. Given the simplicity of this data, it is anticipated that there are few opportunities for variability in data. Thus, the data is considered high quality</p> <p>Additionally, an uncertainty analysis was performed and reported in the uncertainty section of the report.</p>
<p><b>Completeness:</b> percentage of flow that is measured or estimated</p>	<p>CCW provided the primary material and energy input data, based on sales data and composition. All materials reported in the data were included in the raw materials phase of the LCA.</p> <p>Energy data was provided by the manufacturer and was measured in a current year on for the product; thus, this is considered 100% measured.</p> <p>Background or secondary data provided by the Ecoinvent 3.6 database, are globally regarded as high quality and researched data. At the time of the study, version 3.6 is the most up-to-date dataset available in Ecoinvent. Thus, it is considered medium quality.</p>
<p><b>Representativeness:</b> qualitative assessment of the degree to which the data set reflects the true population of interest</p>	<p>CCW provided the primary material and energy input data, based on sales data, material composition and measured energy consumption. Given CCW expertise and in-depth knowledge of their products, it is anticipated that primary data is representative of actual data. Thus, considered high quality.</p>
<p><b>Consistency:</b> qualitative assessment of whether the study methodology is applied uniformly to the various components of the analysis</p>	<p>The same methodology was applied consistently to all the studies. Thus, considered high quality.</p>

Requirement	Assessment
<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	Provided the practitioner has access to the same data sources described in the report, the results would be reproducible. It is considered high quality.
<b>Data Sources:</b> Description of data sources	CCW provided the primary material and energy input data, based on sales data, material composition and measured energy consumption. Thus, the data is considered high quality.  Secondary data was derived from open sources, such as Ecoinvent 3.6, research and literature review.
<b>Uncertainty:</b> Description of known sources of potential uncertainty	Key uncertainty assumptions are stated in the report and evaluated by the pedigree matrix method.

## Material Input

Raw material inputs are entered into the LCA model in kg per 1 m2 product. The bill of materials and material input information is shown for each product below. Primary data was provided by CCW for each product and its packaging. The sources of secondary LCI data is Ecoinvent v3.6 (2020). The tables below also summarize the data sources for materials and flows used in this LCA study.

TABLE 7. MATERIAL CONTRIBUTION USED TO MODEL BARRITECH VP

Flow	Contribution (%)
<b>Product</b>	
Polymer	35.56%
Defoamer	0.20%
Surfactant	0.11%
Plasticizer	5.91%
Plasticizer	6.32%
Rheology Modifier	1.33%
Ammonia	0.08%
Monoethanolamine - MEA 99%	0.05%
Dispersant	0.57%
Antifreeze Additive	0.19%
Pigment	0.05%
Rheology Modifier	0.41%
Filler	31.36%
Filler	2.34%
Methanol	1.77%

Flow	Contribution (%)
Anti-degradant	0.12%
Biocide	0.15%
Biocide	0.15%
Water	12.07%
<b>Packaging</b>	
Pails (5 gal)	41.20%
Drum (50 gal)	33.71%
Pallets	24.72%
Film	0.37%

TABLE 8. MATERIAL CONTRIBUTION USED TO MODEL BARRITECH NP

Flow	Contribution (%)
<b>Product</b>	
Polymer	61.36%
Defoamer	0.41%
Surfactant	0.46%
Stabilizer	0.66%
Plasticizer	14.28%
Rheology Modifier	5.96%
Antifreeze Additive	0.08%
Pigment	0.03%
Pigment	0.05%
Anti-degradant	0.25%
Biocide	0.33%
Biocide	0.25%
Water	15.29%
<b>Packaging</b>	
Pails (5 gal)	32.10%
Drum (50 gal)	43.37%
Pallets	24.25%
Film	0.27%

TABLE 9. MATERIAL CONTRIBUTION USED TO MODEL BARRITECH NP-LT

Flow	Contribution (%)
<b>Product</b>	

Flow	Contribution (%)
Polymer	61.79%
Defoamer	0.41%
Surfactant	0.92%
Stabilizer	0.66%
Plasticizer	14.31%
Rheology Modifier	5.06%
Propylene Glycol	0.41%
Pigment	0.26%
Pigment	0.05%
Anti-degradant	0.25%
Biocide	0.33%
Biocide	0.25%
Methanol	7.66%
Water	15.29%
<b>Packaging</b>	
Pails (5 gal)	32.10%
Drum (50 gal)	43.37%
Pallets	24.25%
Film	0.27%

## ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

### Life Cycle Impact Assessment

The purpose of conducting an impact assessment is to determine the actual impacts from the material and energy inputs calculated in the LCI. This is accomplished through assigning the LCI mass and energy inputs into flows that are then classified by the environmental impact categories to which they contribute. To compare emissions from various pollutants on the same scale, the impact assessment methodology characterizes emissions from various substances to enable comparison in common equivalence units. The impact categories are based on TRACI 2.1 [2] as per the PCR [1]. Further details of each impact category are provided in Appendix B. Additionally, the PCR specifies that other measures are declared as per ISO 14044 representing Primary Energy Consumption and Material Resource Consumption [6]. All cradle-to-gate LCIA results are provided for modules A1-A3 in the results section below for all products.

The LCIA results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks. The LCIA indicators prescribed by the PCR do not represent all categories of potential environmental impacts, such as impacts to terrestrial ecosystem.

**TABLE 10. LIST OF CRADLE-TO-GATE MODULE NUMBERS FOR REPORTING THE RESULTS**

Module Number	Module Name
A1	Raw Material Supply

A2	Transport
A3	Manufacturing

## LCIA Results: TRACI Method

**TABLE 11. CRADLE-TO-GATE LCIA RESULT FOR BARRITECH VP PER DECLARED UNIT**

Impact Category	Unit	Total	A1	A2	A3
Ozone Depletion	kg CFC-11 eq.	5.95E-07	5.33E-07	5.45E-08	7.83E-09
Global Warming	kg CO2 eq.	4.68E+00	4.34E+00	2.28E-01	1.10E-01
Smog	kg O3 eq.	2.67E-01	2.42E-01	2.36E-02	1.93E-03
Acidification	kg SO2 eq.	1.97E-02	1.85E-03	9.24E-04	2.49E-04
Eutrophication	kg N eq.	2.97E-03	2.74E-03	1.16E-04	1.13E-04
Non-Renewable Fossil	MJ (HHV)	1.24E+02	1.20E+02	3.41E+00	1.21E+00
Non-Renewable Nuclear	MJ (HHV)	4.71E+00	4.44E+00	3.93E-03	2.67E-01
Renewable	MJ (HHV)	4.43E-01	3.49E-01	3.29E-04	9.32E-02
Renewable (Biomass)	MJ (HHV)	2.00E+00	1.99E+00	1.19E-03	4.59E-03
Non-Renewable Material Resources	kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Renewable Material Resources	kg	9.29E-01	9.25E-01	8.32E-04	3.27E-03
Net Fresh Water	L	7.85E+01	7.83E+01	7.03E-02	1.21E-01
Non-Hazardous Waste Generated	kg	6.77E-01	6.74E-01	8.29E-04	2.17E-03
Hazardous Waste Generated	kg	6.49E-05	5.61E-05	8.68E-06	5.95E-08

**TABLE 12. CRADLE-TO-GATE LCIA RESULT FOR BARRITECH NP PER DECLARED UNIT**

Impact Category	Unit	Total	A1	A2	A3
Ozone Depletion	kg CFC-11 eq.	1.17E-06	1.01E-06	1.53E-07	8.50E-09
Global Warming	kg CO2 eq.	7.87E+00	7.11E+00	6.45E-01	1.19E-01
Smog	kg O3 eq.	4.83E-01	3.79E-01	1.02E-01	2.09E-03
Acidification	kg SO2 eq.	3.18E-02	2.69E-02	4.63E-03	2.70E-04
Eutrophication	kg N eq.	5.64E-03	5.12E-03	3.89E-04	1.22E-04
Non-Renewable Fossil	MJ (HHV)	2.09E+02	1.98E+02	9.58E+00	1.31E+00
Non-Renewable Nuclear	MJ (HHV)	7.41E+00	7.11E+00	1.12E-02	2.89E-01
Renewable	MJ (HHV)	2.63E+00	2.62E+00	9.56E-04	1.01E-01
Renewable (Biomass)	MJ (HHV)	5.87E-01	4.84E-01	3.38E-03	4.98E-03
Non-Renewable Material Resources	kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Renewable Material Resources	kg	1.01E+00	1.01E+00	2.37E-03	3.55E-03
Net Fresh Water	L	9.90E+01	9.87E+01	1.76E-01	1.36E-01
Non-Hazardous Waste Generated	kg	9.65E-01	9.61E-01	2.11E-03	2.35E-03
Hazardous Waste Generated	kg	1.03E-04	8.06E-05	2.22E-05	6.40E-08



**TABLE 13. CRADLE-TO-GATE LCIA RESULT FOR , BARRITECH NP-LT PER DECLARED UNIT**

Impact Category	Unit	Total	A1	A2	A3
Ozone Depletion	kg CFC-11 eq.	1.21E-06	1.05E-06	1.56E-07	8.55E-09
Global Warming	kg CO2 eq.	7.98E+00	7.21E+00	6.56E-01	1.20E-01
Smog	kg O3 eq.	4.88E-01	3.83E-01	1.03E-01	2.11E-03
Acidification	kg SO2 eq.	3.22E-02	2.72E-02	4.68E-03	2.71E-04
Eutrophication	kg N eq.	5.75E-03	5.23E-03	3.95E-04	1.23E-04
Non-Renewable Fossil	MJ (HHV)	2.14E+02	2.13E+02	1.53E-03	1.32E+00
Non-Renewable Nuclear	MJ (HHV)	7.46E+00	7.17E+00	3.52E-04	2.91E-01
Renewable	MJ (HHV)	5.92E-01	2.81E+00	3.93E-05	1.02E-01
Renewable (Biomass)	MJ (HHV)	2.82E+00	4.90E-01	3.11E-05	5.01E-03
Non-Renewable Material Resources	kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Renewable Material Resources	kg	1.02E+00	1.01E+00	2.41E-03	3.57E-03
Net Fresh Water	L	1.00E+02	1.00E+02	1.80E-01	1.36E-01
Non-Hazardous Waste Generated	kg	9.51E-01	9.47E-01	2.15E-03	2.37E-03
Hazardous Waste Generated	kg	2.14E+02	2.13E+02	1.53E-03	1.32E+00

## Sensitivity

The sensitivity analysis included the following four scenarios, and the tables below show the results and the percent change from the baseline model.

- **Scenario 1:** Use of ReCiPe midpoint method instead of TRACI midpoint method.
- **Scenario 2:** Change in material weight by 5%.
- **Scenario 3:** Change in assembly energy by 5%.
- **Scenario 4:** Change in eGrid.
- **Scenario 5:** Change in natural gas usage at the manufacturing facility and the transport of raw material by truck varied by 10% to account for the unavailability of US datasets.

**Barritech VP**

**Scenario 1**

The sensitivity analysis scenario was modelled by running the LCA model using the ReCiPe Midpoint (H) method [13] rather than the TRACI midpoint method. When the TRACI midpoint method was used to model the LCA, it was observed that the raw materials had the highest environmental impact in all products followed by upstream transportation.

All the observations made while using the ReCiPe midpoint method are the same as when the TRACI method was used for calculation of the environmental impacts.

**TABLE 14. CRADLE-TO-GATE LCIA RESULTS WITH RECIPE METHOD – BARRITECH VP**

Impact category	Unit	Total	A1	AA	A3
Global warming	kg CO2 eq	4.94E+00	4.59E+00	2.29E-01	1.18E-01
Stratospheric ozone depletion	kg CFC11 eq	1.70E-06	1.56E-06	1.05E-07	3.74E-08
Ionizing radiation	kBq Co-60 eq	2.16E-02	1.88E-02	1.60E-03	1.21E-03
Ozone formation, Human health	kg NOx eq	1.17E-02	1.06E-02	9.66E-04	7.91E-05
Fine particulate matter formation	kg PM2.5 eq	8.33E-03	7.62E-03	2.26E-04	4.84E-04
Ozone formation, Terrestrial ecosystems	kg NOx eq	1.27E-02	1.16E-02	9.74E-04	8.12E-05
Terrestrial acidification	kg SO2 eq	1.56E-02	1.48E-02	5.92E-04	2.09E-04
Freshwater eutrophication	kg P eq	1.53E-04	1.38E-04	5.40E-07	1.40E-05
Marine eutrophication	kg N eq	4.59E-05	3.97E-05	6.05E-08	6.14E-06
Terrestrial ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	2.23E+01	1.85E+01	3.76E+00	2.92E-02
Freshwater ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	4.86E-03	4.17E-03	5.73E-04	1.14E-04
Marine ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	1.58E-02	1.29E-02	2.69E-03	1.45E-04
Human carcinogenic toxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	1.41E-01	1.41E-01	1.66E-04	6.24E-04
Human non-carcinogenic toxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	8.14E-01	7.45E-01	5.48E-02	1.35E-02
Land use	m2a crop eq	7.75E-02	7.71E-02	1.04E-04	2.85E-04
Mineral resource scarcity	kg Cu eq	6.13E-02	6.13E-02	3.30E-05	2.84E-05
Fossil resource scarcity	kg oil eq	2.72E+00	2.62E+00	7.46E-02	2.67E-02
Water consumption	m3	8.28E-02	8.22E-02	7.45E-05	4.74E-04

**Scenarios 2, 3, 4 and 5**

CCW’s Barritech VP product was tested by increasing and decreasing the overall weight of the product (i.e., bill of materials) by 5%, increasing and decreasing the energy consumption by 5%, and replacing the energy dataset used in the LCA to reflect a national (US only) eGrid. The results show the greatest change to environmental impacts occurred when the weight of the bill of materials was increased and decreased by 5%. The results also show that the non-renewable nuclear impact for each product increased by 5.49% when a national (US only) average electrical grid was used. Additionally, when the datasets for natural gas and truck transport were varied by 10% to see the environmental impacts associated with not using the US based datasets, we see a small change in all the environmental impacts categories.

**TABLE 15. PERCENTAGE CHANGE BILL OF MATERIALS, ASSEMBLY ENERGY, AND ENERGY DATASET – BARRITECH VP**

Impact category	Scenario 2		Scenario 3		Scenario 4	Scenario 5
	Increase	Decrease	Increase	± Change	Change	± Change
Global Warming (kg CO2 eq)	4.14%	-4.13%	0.27%	0.05%	4.14%	1%
Acidification (kg SO2 eq)	3.83%	-4.27%	-0.08%	-0.21%	3.83%	1%
Eutrophication (kg N eq)	4.06%	-4.25%	0.34%	-0.03%	4.06%	0%
Smog (kg O3 eq)	4.30%	-3.93%	0.24%	0.18%	4.30%	1%
Ozone Depletion (kg CFC-11 eq)	4.56%	-4.57%	0.16%	0.02%	4.56%	1%
Non-Renewable Fossil (MJ)	-4.27%	5.05%	0.50%	0.39%	-4.27%	0%
Non-Renewable Nuclear (MJ)	-4.06%	4.15%	0.81%	0.20%	-4.06%	0%
Renewable (MJ)	3.17%	-3.14%	2.93%	0.65%	3.17%	0%
Renewable (Biomass) (MJ)	1.35%	-1.21%	0.04%	0.01%	1.35%	0%
Non-Renewable Material Resources (kg)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0%
Renewable Material Resources (kg)	1.19%	-1.21%	0.03%	-0.01%	1.19%	0%
Net Fresh Water (L)	4.68%	-4.62%	0.01%	0.01%	4.68%	0%
Hazardous Waste Generated (kg)	3.16%	-3.27%	-0.05%	-0.06%	3.16%	1%
Non-Hazardous Waste Generated (kg)	0.68%	-0.73%	0.02%	-0.02%	0.68%	2%

**Barritech NP**

**Scenario 1**

The sensitivity analysis scenario was modelled by running the LCA model using the ReCiPe Midpoint (H) method [13] rather than the TRACI midpoint method. When the TRACI midpoint method was used to model the LCA, it was observed that the raw materials had the highest environmental impact in all products followed by upstream transportation. All the observations made while using the ReCiPe midpoint method are the same as when the TRACI method was used for calculation of the environmental impacts.

**TABLE 16. CRADLE-TO-GATE LCIA RESULTS WITH RECIPE METHOD – BARRITECH NP**

Impact category	Unit	Total	A1	AA	A3
Global warming	kg CO2 eq	8.29E+00	7.52E+00	6.48E-01	1.28E-01
Stratospheric ozone depletion	kg CFC11 eq	2.90E-06	2.54E-06	3.19E-07	4.05E-08
Ionizing radiation	kBq Co-60 eq	2.82E-02	2.32E-02	4.50E-03	1.31E-03
Ozone formation, Human health	kg NOx eq	2.08E-02	1.66E-02	4.15E-03	8.59E-05
Fine particulate matter formation	kg PM2.5 eq	1.27E-02	1.10E-02	1.12E-03	5.26E-04
Ozone formation, Terrestrial ecosystems	kg NOx eq	2.27E-02	1.84E-02	4.18E-03	8.81E-05
Terrestrial acidification	kg SO2 eq	2.49E-02	2.15E-02	3.21E-03	2.27E-04
Freshwater eutrophication	kg P eq	3.19E-04	3.03E-04	1.40E-06	1.52E-05

Marine eutrophication	kg N eq	1.14E-04	1.08E-04	1.58E-07	6.64E-06
Terrestrial ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	3.48E+01	2.53E+01	9.52E+00	3.17E-02
Freshwater ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	7.98E-03	6.41E-03	1.45E-03	1.23E-04
Marine ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	2.43E-02	1.74E-02	6.82E-03	1.57E-04
Human carcinogenic toxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	1.78E-01	1.77E-01	6.85E-04	6.77E-04
Human non-carcinogenic toxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	1.51E+00	1.36E+00	1.39E-01	1.47E-02
Land use	m2a crop eq	1.25E-01	1.25E-01	2.82E-04	3.09E-04
Mineral resource scarcity	kg Cu eq	7.93E-02	7.92E-02	8.36E-05	3.09E-05
Fossil resource scarcity	kg oil eq	4.56E+00	4.32E+00	2.09E-01	2.90E-02
Water consumption	m3	1.05E-01	1.05E-01	1.88E-04	5.19E-04

**Scenarios 2, 3, 4 and 5**

CCW’s Barritech NP product was tested by increasing and decreasing the overall weight of the product (*i.e.*, bill of materials) by 5%, increasing and decreasing the energy consumption by 5%, and replacing the energy dataset used in the LCA to reflect a national (US only) eGrid. The results show the greatest change to environmental impacts occurred when the bill of material was increased and decreased by 5%. The results also show that the non-renewable nuclear impact for each product increased by 3.16% when a national (US only) average electrical grid was used. Additionally, when the datasets for natural gas and truck transport were varied by 10% to see the environmental impacts associated with not using the US based datasets, we see a small change in all the environmental impacts categories.

**TABLE 17. PERCENTAGE CHANGE BILL OF MATERIALS, ASSEMBLY ENERGY, AND ENERGY DATASET – BARRITECH NP**

Impact category	Scenario 2		Scenario 3		Scenario 4	Scenario 5
	Increase	Decrease	Increase	± Change	Change	± Change
Global Warming (kg CO2 eq)	4.40%	-6.27%	0.12%	-0.02%	0.12%	1%
Acidification (kg SO2 eq)	-7.00%	4.15%	-0.06%	-0.13%	0.04%	1%
Eutrophication (kg N eq)	4.35%	-5.63%	0.04%	-0.16%	-0.66%	1%
Smog (kg O3 eq)	4.32%	-6.60%	-0.03%	-0.07%	0.18%	1%
Ozone Depletion (kg CFC-11 eq)	4.80%	-5.39%	0.11%	0.04%	0.26%	1%
Non-Renewable Fossil (MJ)	4.55%	-5.66%	-0.13%	-0.19%	-0.13%	1%
Non-Renewable Nuclear (MJ)	4.25%	-6.13%	0.18%	-0.22%	3.16%	0%
Renewable (MJ)	1.90%	-7.47%	0.11%	0.10%	1.32%	0%
Renewable (Biomass) (MJ)	3.31%	-6.15%	0.89%	-0.84%	-9.26%	0%
Non-Renewable Material Resources (kg)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0%
Renewable Material Resources (kg)	1.32%	-8.86%	0.24%	0.20%	2.52%	0%
Net Fresh Water (L)	4.64%	-5.40%	0.00%	-0.01%	0.33%	0%
Hazardous Waste Generated (kg)	3.58%	-5.88%	-0.14%	-0.14%	0.07%	2%
Non-Hazardous Waste Generated (kg)	1.01%	-21.10%	0.04%	0.02%	0.05%	2%

**Barritech NP-LT**

**Scenario 1**

The sensitivity analysis scenario was modelled by running the LCA model using the ReCiPe Midpoint (H) method [13] rather than the TRACI midpoint method. When the TRACI midpoint method was used to model the LCA, it was observed that the raw materials had the highest environmental impact in all products followed by upstream transportation. All the observations made while using the ReCiPe midpoint method are the same as when the TRACI method was used for calculation of the environmental impacts.

**TABLE 18. CRADLE-TO-GATE LCIA RESULTS WITH RECIPE METHOD –BARRITECH NP-LT**

Impact category	Unit	Total	A1	AA	A3
Global warming	kg CO2 eq	8.41E+00	7.63E+00	6.59E-01	1.29E-01
Stratospheric ozone depletion	kg CFC11 eq	2.99E-06	2.63E-06	3.25E-07	4.08E-08
Ionizing radiation	kBq Co-60 eq	2.85E-02	2.26E-02	4.58E-03	1.32E-03
Ozone formation, Human health	kg NOx eq	2.11E-02	1.68E-02	4.21E-03	8.64E-05
Fine particulate matter formation	kg PM2.5 eq	1.27E-02	1.11E-02	1.13E-03	5.29E-04
Ozone formation, Terrestrial ecosystems	kg NOx eq	2.30E-02	1.86E-02	4.24E-03	8.86E-05
Terrestrial acidification	kg SO2 eq	2.52E-02	2.18E-02	3.25E-03	2.28E-04
Freshwater eutrophication	kg P eq	3.23E-04	3.06E-04	1.43E-06	1.52E-05
Marine eutrophication	kg N eq	1.30E-04	1.23E-04	1.61E-07	6.67E-06
Terrestrial ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	3.47E+01	2.49E+01	9.70E+00	3.19E-02
Freshwater ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	8.65E-03	7.06E-03	1.47E-03	1.24E-04
Marine ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	2.46E-02	1.75E-02	6.95E-03	1.58E-04
Human carcinogenic toxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	1.77E-01	1.75E-01	6.94E-04	6.81E-04
Human non-carcinogenic toxicity	kg 1,4-DCB	1.53E+00	1.37E+00	1.42E-01	1.47E-02
Land use	m2a crop eq	1.35E-01	1.35E-01	2.87E-04	3.11E-04
Mineral resource scarcity	kg Cu eq	7.80E-02	7.79E-02	8.51E-05	3.10E-05
Fossil resource scarcity	kg oil eq	4.68E+00	4.44E+00	2.13E-01	2.91E-02
Water consumption	m3	1.08E-01	1.07E-01	1.92E-04	5.22E-04

**Scenarios 2, 3, 4 and 5**

CCW’s Barritech NP-LT product was tested by increasing and decreasing the overall weight of the product (*i.e.*, bill of materials) by 5%, increasing and decreasing the energy consumption by 5%, and replacing the energy dataset used in the LCA to reflect a national (US only) eGrid. The results show the greatest change to environmental impacts occurred when the bill of materials weight was increased and decreased by 5%. The results also show that the non-renewable nuclear impact for each product increased by 2.55% when a national (US only) average electrical grid was used. Additionally, when the datasets for natural gas and truck transport were varied by 10% to see the environmental impacts associated with not using the US based datasets, we see a small change in all the environmental impacts categories.

**TABLE 19. PERCENTAGE CHANGE BILL OF MATERIALS, ASSEMBLY ENERGY, AND ENERGY DATASET – BARRITECH NP-LT**

Impact category	Scenario 2		Scenario 3		Scenario 4	Scenario 5
	Increase	Decrease	Increase	± Change	Change	± Change
Global Warming (kg CO2 eq)	4.44%	-4.34%	0.00%	-0.12%	-0.09%	1%
Acidification (kg SO2 eq)	4.16%	-4.41%	-0.16%	-0.23%	-0.09%	1%
Eutrophication (kg N eq)	4.50%	-4.53%	-0.16%	-0.34%	-0.79%	1%
Smog (kg O3 eq)	4.51%	-4.31%	0.09%	0.06%	0.25%	1%
Ozone Depletion (kg CFC-11 eq)	4.77%	-4.72%	0.00%	-0.07%	0.06%	1%
Non-Renewable Fossil (MJ)	4.91%	-4.59%	0.13%	0.08%	0.07%	1%
Non-Renewable Nuclear (MJ)	4.28%	-4.35%	-0.19%	-0.55%	2.55%	0%
Renewable (MJ)	-3.42%	3.39%	-0.67%	-2.25%	-9.87%	0%
Renewable (Biomass) (MJ)	2.03%	-2.14%	-0.10%	-0.12%	0.93%	0%
Non-Renewable Material Resources (kg)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0%
Renewable Material Resources (kg)	1.11%	-1.16%	-0.04%	-0.07%	2.04%	0%
Net Fresh Water (L)	5.19%	-4.20%	0.48%	0.47%	0.83%	0%
Hazardous Waste Generated (kg)	3.84%	-3.84%	-0.06%	-0.07%	-0.03%	2%
Non-Hazardous Waste Generated (kg)	1.04%	-0.96%	0.03%	0.01%	0.04%	2%

# INTERPRETATION

The primary goals of the comprehensive LCA for each water-based coatings products’ were developed at the beginning of the project with CCW and are outlined in the Introduction of this report. The Interpretation section serves as a discussion of the results and their relationship to the initial goals of the study.

## Barritech VP

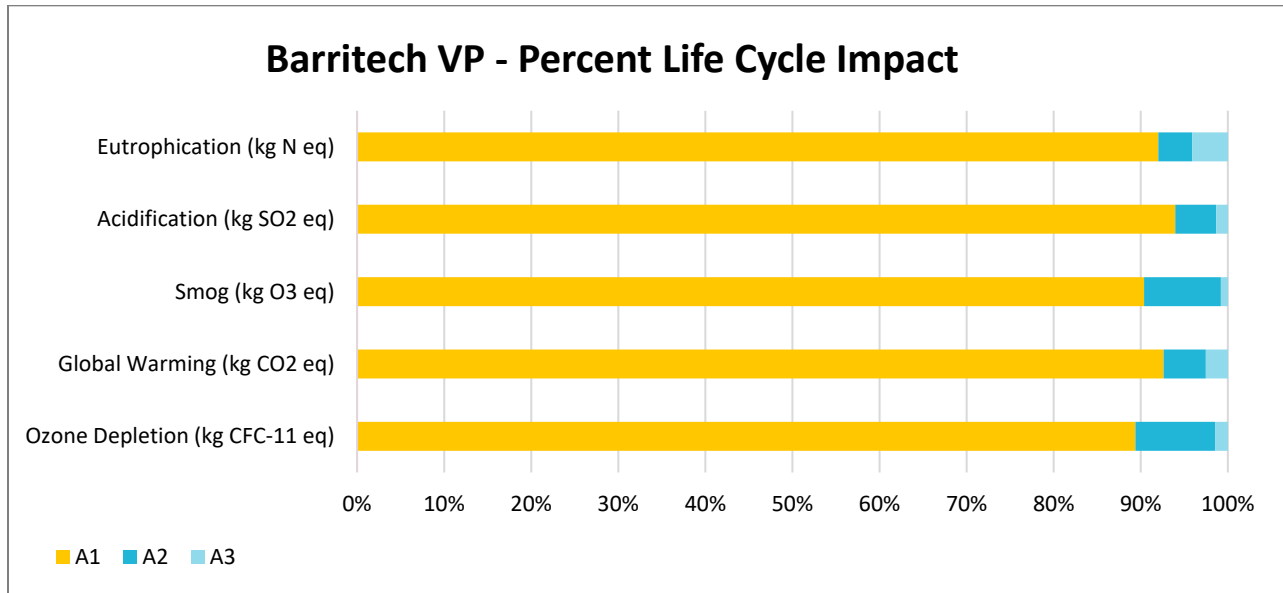


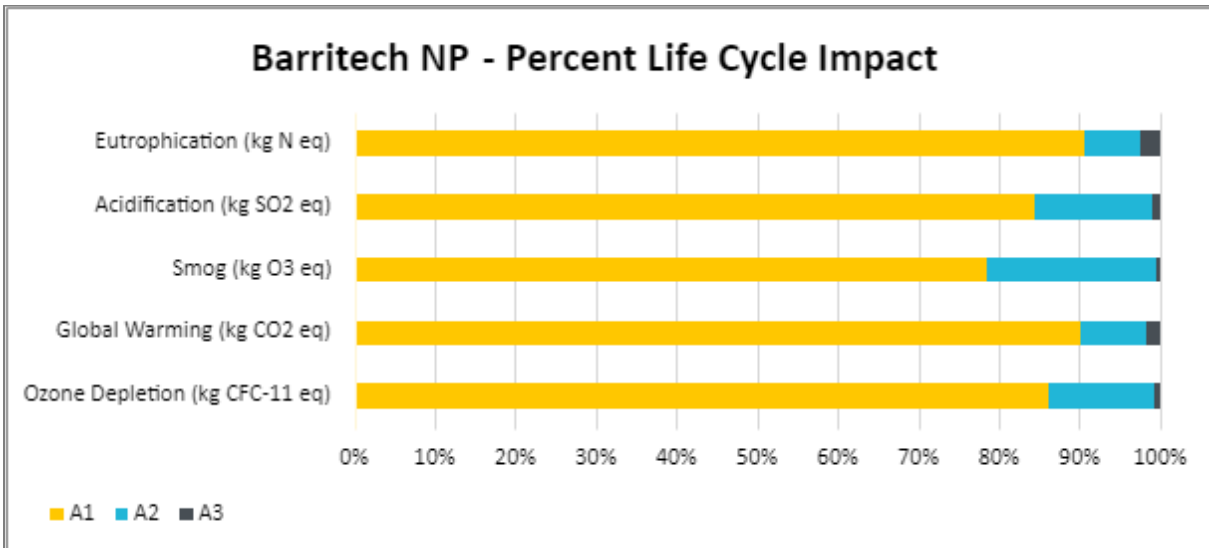
FIGURE 2. CRADLE-TO-GATE LCA PERCENTAGE CONTRIBUTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS – BARRITECH VP

The cradle-to-gate LCA showed several intriguing results for interpretation as part of the study. While these are discussed in the Life Cycle Impact Assessment and Sensitivity sections of the report, they are further summarized here:

- The results of the cradle-to-gate LCA showed global warming impacts of 4.68 kg CO<sub>2</sub>eq. for Barritech VP as per the declared unit.
- The highest contributors of global warming potential are the filler which contributes 15% followed by upstream transportation by truck which contributes at 12%. The transportation is primarily by truck and burning of fuel (diesel) contributes to GWP. The Raw material extraction and processing contributes towards the environmental impacts from the filler.
- Similar to global warming potential, acidification potential was greatly influenced by the filler and upstream transportation the reasons are similar to those mentioned for GWP.
- Eutrophication potential is largely driven again by the filler, with other considerable portions coming from Upstream transportation, and the polymer. Processing of raw materials, transportation and generation of heat and electricity can lead to release of agents that cause eutrophication in the water supply.
- Upstream transport contributes 21% towards ozone depletion, followed by the filler which contributes 8%. Diesel fuel used in truck is the major contributor contributing towards Ozone Depletion.
- The upstream transport contributes 22% respectively towards smog formation potential, the fossil fuel burned during extraction and transportation by truck, is the major reason for Smog contribution.



**Barritech NP**

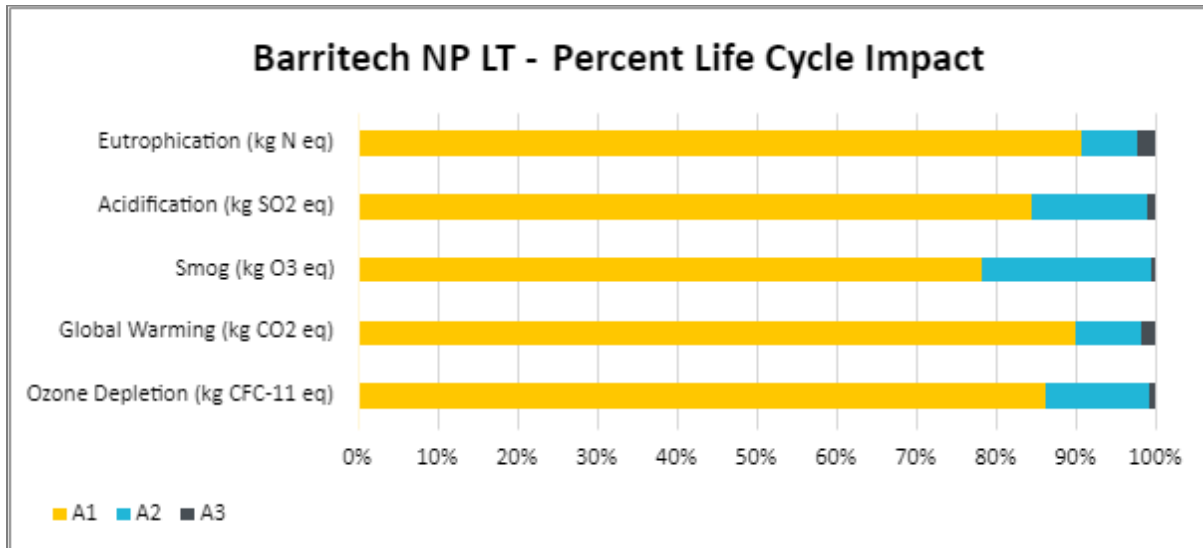


**FIGURE 3. CRADLE-TO-GATE LCA PERCENTAGE CONTRIBUTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS – BARRITECH NP**

The cradle-to-gate LCA showed several intriguing results for interpretation as part of the study. While these are discussed in the Life Cycle Impact Assessment and Sensitivity sections of the report, they are further summarized here.

- The results of the cradle-to-gate LCA showed global warming impacts of 7.87 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq. for Barritech NP as per the declared unit.
- The highest contributors of global warming potential are the polymer which contributes 17% followed by upstream transportation by truck which contributes at 12%. The transportation is primarily by truck and the burning of fuel (diesel) contributes to the GWP. The Raw material extraction and processing contributes towards the environmental impacts from the filler.
- Similar to global warming potential, acidification potential was greatly influenced by the polymer and upstream transportation the reasons are similar to those mentioned for GWP.
- Eutrophication potential is largely driven again by the polymer, with other considerable portions coming from Upstream transportation. Processing of raw materials, transportation and generation of heat and electricity can lead to release of agents that cause eutrophication in the water supply.
- Upstream transport contributes 28% towards ozone depletion, followed by the polymer which contributes 4%. Diesel fuel used in truck is the major contributor contributing towards Ozone Depletion.
- The upstream transport contributes 21% respectively towards smog formation potential, the fossil fuel burned during extraction and transportation by truck, is the major reason for Smog contribution.

**Barritech NP-LT**



**FIGURE 4. CRADLE-TO-GATE LCA PERCENTAGE CONTRIBUTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS – BARRITECH NP-LT**

The cradle-to-gate LCA showed several intriguing results for interpretation as part of the study. While these are discussed in the Life Cycle Impact Assessment and Sensitivity sections of the report, they are further summarized here.

- The results of the cradle-to-gate LCA showed global warming impacts of 7.98 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq. for Barritech NP-LT as per the declared unit.
- The highest contributors of global warming potential are the polymer which contributes 12% followed by upstream transportation by truck which contributes at 8%. The transportation is primarily by truck and the burning of fuel (diesel) contributes to the GWP. The Raw material extraction and processing contributes towards the environmental impacts from the filler.
- Similar to global warming potential, acidification potential was greatly influenced by the polymer and upstream transportation the reasons are similar to those mentioned for GWP.
- Eutrophication potential is largely driven again by the polymer, with other considerable portions coming from Upstream transportation. Processing of raw materials, transportation and generation of heat and electricity can lead to release of agents that cause eutrophication in the water supply.
- Upstream transport contributes 29% towards ozone depletion, followed by the polymer which contributes 4%. Diesel fuel used in truck is the major contributor contributing towards Ozone Depletion.
- The upstream transport contributes 20% respectively towards smog formation potential, the fossil fuel burned during extraction and transportation by truck, is the major reason for Smog contribution.

**Limitations of Study**

The study limitations are as follows.

- Due to the inherent limitations of LCA methodology, this study should not be used as the sole source of environmental data on the materials and processes modelled. This LCA has been performed according to best practices in modelling and allocation.
- Resource use at the CCW facility were allocated to each product based on the mass of the product as a fraction of the total facility production (i.e., mass-based allocation).

- The Datasets used for representing the natural gas usage at the manufacturing facility and the transport of raw materials by truck within US are modelled in the study using global datasets. In the older ecoinvent version they were available as part of the US LCI database, which due to errors during software update did not get transferred into the new ecoinvent 3.6 version. A sensitivity scenario was modelled to account for this data gap where the truck transport and the natural gas inputs were varied by 10%. Scenario 5 represents these changes, and the results shows a very small percentage change to overall environmental impacts.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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- Environment and Health during Installation or Use: No environmental or health impacts are expected from the Water Based Coasting products during its installation or use.
- Extraordinary Effects: No environmental or health impacts are expected due to extraordinary effects including fire and/or water damage and product destruction.

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