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Zones Enclosures

Workspace Solutions

Environmental Product Declaration

Date of Issue: 10/26/2021

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PRODUCT CATEGORY RULE



BIFMA PCR for Office Furniture Workspace Products, UNCPC 3814

FUNCTIONAL UNIT

1 m² of workspace, maintained for a 10-year period. A representative configuration was utilized for the purposes of this study and includes a screen, table, and easel.



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Declaration Number	EPD10641
Declared Product and Functional Unit	1 m ² of workspace, maintained for a 10 year period.
Reference PCR and Version Number	BIFMA PCR for Office Furniture Workspace Products: UNCPC 3814
Product's intended Application and Use	Commercial Furniture
Product RSL	10 year
Markets of Applicability	North America
Date of Issue	10/26/2021
Period of Validity	5 years from date of issue
EPD Type	Product Specific
Range of Dataset Variability	N/A
EPD Scope	Cradle to Grave
Year of reported manufacturer primary data	2020
LCA Software and Version Number	GaBi 10.5.0.78
LCI Database and Version Number	GaBi Database 2021.1
LCIA Methodology and Version Number	TRACI 2.1
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<p>Limitations: Environmental declarations from different programs (ISO 14025) may not be comparable. Comparison of the environmental performance of products using EPD information shall be based on the product's use and impacts at the building level, and therefore EPDs may not be used for comparability purposes when not considering the building energy use phase as instructed under this PCR. Full conformance with the PCR allows EPD comparability only when all stages of a life cycle have been considered. However, variations and deviations are possible". Example of variations: Different LCA software and background LCI datasets may lead to differences results for upstream or downstream of the life cycle stages declared.</p>	



Company Description

Teknion designs, manufactures, and markets workplace interiors. Its products include panel systems, desking systems, private office systems/case goods, seating solutions, architectural products, tables and collaborative spaces, storage products, work better tech products (complements), and textiles. The company's products are used in various applications, including open, collaborative, private, meeting, lounge, learning, next culture, and work cuture areas. Teknion was founded in 1981 and is based in Toronto, Canada.

Product Description

Zones is a comprehensive furniture collection comprised of chairs, modular seating, tables, screens, easels, and accessories, as well as semi-private hubs that act as an intimate space for collaboration or a place of retreat when privacy is desired. A typical workspace configuration focused on the Zones Enclosures products was used to showcase a representative setup. The full configuration was studied and the results were scaled appropriately based on the floor area of the final configuration and the functional unit.

The workspace solution studied can contain screens, tables, and accessories, depending on the final configuration. The Zones family does contain various forms of seating, but these have been excluded from the workspace products analysis. Additional details of the product configuration used for this EPD can be found below, but other configurations are possible.

	Zones Enclosure
Product Category	Panels + other office components
Number of Occupants	6
Floor Area	5.7m ²
Components Included	Screen, table, easel
Defining Features	Screens with decorative slats, modular tables and seating, easels and other accessories
Recycled Content	36.3% pre-consumer, 6.4% post-consumer

Product Composition

Like many commercial furniture products, Zones Enclosure is available in a multitude of configurations. For this particular study, a representative scenario, as defined by the ANSI/BIFMA e3-2014e Furniture Sustainability Standard program was used. This composition of the configuration is provided in the table below, with a total product weight of 164.4 kg. The exact configuration purchased may be slightly different. However, because a representative scenario was used, this EPD will still be applicable to the purchased configuration.

Material	Mass %	Material	Mass %
Steel	44.3%	HPL	2.6%
Particle Board	24.8%	Polypropylene	1.1%
Aluminum	11.7%	Coating	1.2%
Wood	9.0%	Cardboard	0.5%
Plywood	4.3%	Nylon	0.4%

Selection of Impact Parameters

Environmental Impacts were calculated using the GaBi software platform. Impact results have been calculated using TRACI 2.1 characterization factors. Results presented in this report are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins, or risks.

Abbreviation	Parameter	Unit
AP	Acidification potential of soil and water	kg N eq.
EP	Eutrophication potential	kg SO ₂ eq.
GWP	Global warming potential	kg CO ₂ eq.
ODP	Depletion of stratospheric ozone layer	kg CFC 11 eq.
POCP	Photochemical ozone creation potential	kg O ₃ eq.

In addition to the environmental parameters above, the following resource use and waste categories are also disclosed.

Abbreviation	Parameter	Unit
PED	Total use of renewable and non-renewable primary energy resources	MJ, net calorific value
FW	Net use of fresh water	kg

LCA Results

All results are given per functional unit, which is 1 m² of workspace for a period of 10 years.

TRACI Results for Zones Enclosure

Impact Category	Unit	Total	Material Acquisition	Production	Distribution, Storage, and Use	End-of-Life
AP	kg SO ₂ -eq	3.89E-01	2.79E-01	9.57E-02	1.07E-02	4.36E-03
EP	kg N-eq	2.18E-02	1.50E-02	5.54E-03	1.02E-03	2.85E-04
GWP	kg CO ₂ -eq	1.84E+02	5.49E+01	1.22E+02	2.31E+00	5.04E+00
ODP	kg CFC-11 eq	1.34E-10	1.33E-10	1.48E-13	4.59E-16	1.80E-15
POCP	kg O ₃ -eq	7.02E+00	3.88E+00	2.78E+00	2.48E-01	1.08E-01

LCI Indicators for Zones Enclosure

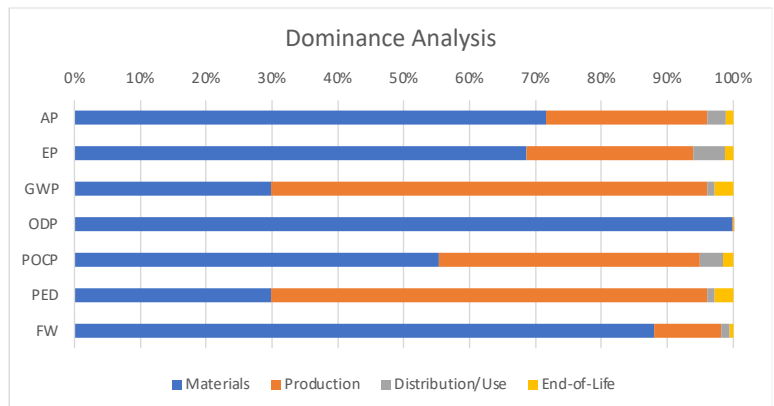
Impact Category	Unit	Total	Material Acquisition	Production	Distribution, Storage, and Use	End-of-Life
PED	MJ	3.72E+03	1.60E+03	2.08E+03	3.39E+01	1.03E+01
FW	kg	4.78E+05	4.61E+05	1.73E+04	1.25E+02	2.31E+02

Interpretation

A dominance analysis was performed for all of the products in the LCA to show which of the life cycle stages contributes to the majority of the impacts. Results are shown for the 5 TRACI 2.1 impact categories.

Overall, the dominance analysis shows the vast majority of the impacts are coming from the materials and production stages. This tracks with the majority of durable goods similar to Zones Enclosure.

An additional dominance analysis was performed to determine the relative impacts of the materials used in the production of Expansion Caseloads. For most of the LCIA indicators, the materials affecting the results the most are steel, aluminum, and particle board, with the exception of ODP which is mostly affected by powder coating.



Additional Environmental Information

Teknion is a supporter and/or a participant in the following environmental and sustainability related programs.

- The International Living Future Institute's Declare program. Products with Declare labels can be found at <https://living-future.org/declare/>
- ANSI/BIFMA e3-2014e Furniture Sustainability Standard program. Zones Enclosures is certified to Level 3.
- Teknion products comply with SCS's Indoor Advantage Gold program. Zones Enclosures' certification can be found at this [link](#).
- Teknion participates in mindful Materials. Teknion products that have been listed on mindful Materials are available at this [link](#).
- Teknion has been a member of the USGBC since 2016.

Additionally, Teknion publishes an annual Impact Report which is publicly available at <https://www.teknion.com/about/our-planet>

References

Life Cycle Assessment of Teknion Products: Background Report for LCA/EPD Creation Tool. WAP Sustainability. February 2019, updated September 2021.

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ISO 14044:2006 Environmental management - Life cycle assessment – Requirements and guidelines.

