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1" HALCYON™ AND HALCYON™ HEALTHCARE

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This declaration is an environmental product declaration (EPD) in accordance with ISO 14025. EPDs rely on Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) to provide information on a number of environmental impacts of products over their life cycle. Exclusions: EPDs do not indicate that any environmental or social performance benchmarks are met, and there may be impacts that they do not encompass. LCAs do not typically address the site-specific environmental impacts of raw material extraction, nor are they meant to assess human health toxicity. EPDs can complement but cannot replace tools and certifications that are designed to address these impacts and/or set performance thresholds – e.g. Type 1 certifications, health assessments and declarations, environmental impact assessments, etc. Accuracy of Results: EPDs regularly rely on estimations of impacts, and the level of accuracy in estimation of effect differs for any particular product line and reported impact. Comparability: EPDs are not comparative assertions and are either not comparable or have limited comparability when they cover different life cycle stages, are based on different product category rules or are missing relevant environmental impacts. EPDs from different programs may not be comparable.

PROGRAM OPERATOR	UL Environment
DECLARATION HOLDER	USG
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DECLARED PRODUCT	1" Halcyon™ and Halcyon™ Healthcare Acoustical Ceiling Panels
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PERIOD OF VALIDITY	5 Years
CONTENTS OF THE DECLARATION	Product definition and information about building physics Information about basic material and the material's origin Description of the product's manufacture Indication of product processing Information about the in-use conditions Life cycle assessment results Testing results and verifications
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This EPD conforms with ISO 21930:2007 and EN 15804





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1. Product System Documentation

1.1. Product Description

Product Identification

Fine-textured Halcyon™ Acoustical Panels provide exceptional acoustical absorption and are built to last. Halcyon™ Acoustical Panels are mold- and sag-resistant. Easy to install and clean, their noise reduction properties and high light reflectance values make these tiles perfect for open office plans as well as reception and lobby areas.

The fiberglass family of products covered by this EPD report consists of a fiberglass basemat laminated with a non-woven veil. These products generally fall under ASTM E1264 Section 5.2 designation as Type XII — Glass fiber base with membrane-faced overlay.

1.2. Application

The products represented in this EPD are designed to be installed in a suitable metal grid system typically designed to accommodate a nominal 2’x2’ or 2’x4’ panel although other sizes are available.

1.3. Technical Data

If relevant for the declared product, the following technical construction data in the delivery status must be provided with reference to the test standard.

Table 1: Technical Data

NAME	TEST METHOD	VALUE
Noise Reduction Coefficient (NRC)	C423	0.95 (non-foil backed) 0.90 (foil backed)
Articulation Class (AC)	E1111 and Classification E1110	N/A
Ceiling Attenuation Class (CAC)	E1414 and Classification E413	20 (non-foil backed) 30 (foil backed)
Fire Rating	E84	Class A
Light Reflection	E1477	0.90

1.4. Placing on the Market / Application Rules

The respective standard and general technical approval for these products are indicated above. Further detail may be found on the USG.com website.

1.5. Delivery Status

The products under consideration are typically delivered in bundles of 12 pieces per carton, surrounded by a cardboard sleeve and wrapped with plastic.





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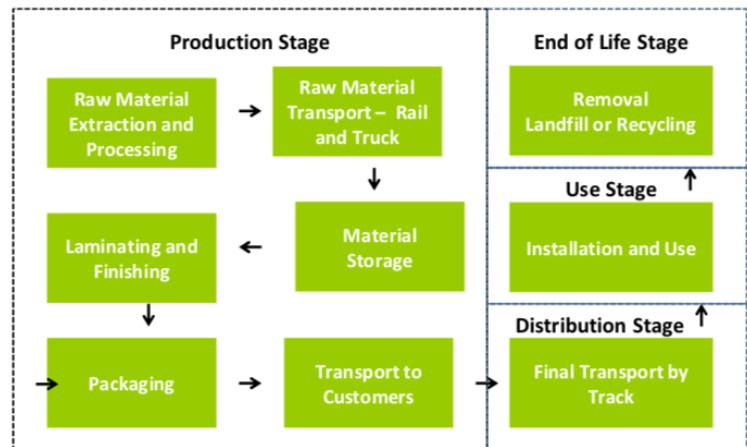
1.6. Base Materials

Table 2: Material Composition

MATERIAL	PERCENTAGE MASS
Basemat	87%
Adhesive	2%
Veil	5%
Dry coating	6%
Sum	100%

1.7. Manufacture

Fiberglass acoustical ceiling panels consist of a 3rd party supplied fiberglass basemat laminated in-house with a non-woven fiberglass veil. Fabrication of the finished product consists of laminating the fiberglass basemat with the appropriate laminate and painting the product, trimming and packaging. The finishing unit processes are dominated by the use of water-based paint, which contains ingredients such as calcium carbonate, clay, latex, titanium dioxide (TiO2) and other chemicals. Shrink-wrap and corrugated strip are used as packing materials.



1.8. Environment and Health During Manufacturing

All appropriate equipment required by federal, state and local regulations are in place at all USG manufacturing facilities.

1.9. Packaging

USG Interiors ceiling panels are packaged using cardboard sleeves and are then wrapped in plastic shrink wrap. USG encourages the proper recycling of these packaging materials. Both the production and disposal of these packaging materials was modeled in this LCA study.

1.10. Conditions of Use

To insure the longevity of the product, panels should not be exposed to moisture, high humidity or high temperature. Criteria can be found in the USG warranty information specific for each product.





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1.11. Environment and Health During Use

This product is not expected to produce any unusual hazards during normal use. Exposure to high dust levels may irritate the skin, eyes, nose, throat, or upper respiratory tract. Proper personal protective gear should be worn by installer for protection.

1.12. Reference Service Life

A default RSL of 75 years shall be assumed for the product and ceiling panel mounting system. An assumed Estimated Service Life (ESL) of 75 years shall be used for building life.

1.13. Extraordinary Effects

Fire

All ceiling products covered by this study are certified to be Class A (flame spread of 25 or less, smoke developed of 50 or less per ASTM C84).

Water

Moisture must not come in contact with the ceiling panel as a result of a leaking roof, a sweating pipe, a leaking radiator, a flood, condensation on windows, condensation on more subtle surfaces where dew points are reached, humidified air from the HVAC system or any other similar causes.

Mechanical Destruction

The product must be installed and maintained in accordance with current USG written instructions and best industry practice, including the Cisca Handbook and ASTM C636, “Standard Practice for Installation of Metal Ceiling Suspension Systems for Acoustical Tile and Lay-In Panels.”

2. LCA Calculation Rules

2.1. Declared Unit

The declared unit for ceiling panels is defined as one square meter with optional reporting of one square foot (12”x12”) of ceiling panel.

Table 3: Declared Unit

NAME	1” HALCYON™ (METRIC)	1” HALCYON™ HEALTHCARE (METRIC)	1” HALCYON™ (STANDARD)	1” HALCYON™ HEALTHCARE (STANDARD)
Declared Unit	0.093 m ²	0.093 m ²	1 ft ²	1 ft ²
Declared Thickness	2.54 cm	2.54 cm	1 in	1 in
Surface weight per declared unit	2.319 kg/m ²	2.319 kg/m ²	0.475 lb/ft ²	0.475 lb/ft ²





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For purposes of defining a functional unit, an ESL of a building in North America of 75 years shall be used.

2.2. System Boundary

This EPD represents a “cradle-to-gate” LCA analysis for fiberglass ceiling panels. It covers all the production steps from raw material extraction (i.e., the cradle) to packaging ready for shipment to customer (gate).

2.3. Estimates and Assumptions

In the case of the fiberglass ceiling panel production at the Greenville, MS plant, data collection of energy and raw material inputs were aided by the presence of an extensive computer monitoring system. All fiberglass ceiling product raw material and energy inputs are specific to the specific fiberglass product produced at the Greenville, MS plant.

Additional data limitations include the use of proxy processes rather than actual supplier generated primary data. The data is limited in that the primary data was collected during the 2017 year and changes in operations may increase/decrease impacts in the future. Other data limitations include the use of secondary data sets instead of primary data for upstream and downstream processes, local impacts vs. global impacts, possible impacts vs. actual impacts, inherent uncertainty in the data sets, accuracy and precision of impact assessment methodology, etc.

2.4. Cut-off Criteria

All inputs and outputs to a (unit) process were included in the calculation for which data is available.

In case of insufficient input data or data gaps for a unit process, the cut-off criteria was 1% of renewable and non-renewable primary energy usage and 1% of the total mass of that unit process. The total neglected input flows did not exceed 5% of energy usage and mass.

As such, some minor additives fell well below the cut-off criteria and were therefore not included in this study.

2.5. Background Data

All background data were sourced from critically reviewed GaBi databases.

2.6. Data Quality

The LCA model was created using the GaBi software (version 8.7.0.18). Specific comments related to data quality requirements cited in ISO 14025 Section 4.2.3.6.2 include the following.

Temporal: In the case of fiberglass ceiling tile production, the LCI data was collected from the Greenville, MS plant for the 2017 production year.

Geographical: Where possible, all processes were chosen as being representative of US manufacturing processes.

Technical: The data selected for this study is specific to the technology used in the preparation of the various raw materials.

Precision: The raw material usage amounts were derived from plant quality data on finished products, coatings usage plant data and product formulas.

Completeness: Virtually all the significant raw material flows (> 99%) in fiberglass ceiling panel production has been modeled. The exception consists of transportation of the coating raw materials; the effect of which was determined to be less than 1% of the total.

Representative: Where possible all the data sets were selected to be representative of US-based production, are less





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than 10 years in age and are representative of the technology being employed.

Consistency: All the manufacturing processes were modeled in a consistent manner throughout this study in accordance with the goal and scope definitions.

Reproducibility: The information contained in this study, including raw material, energy and transportation distance inputs, have been fully documented in the LCA report.

Sources of Data: The sources for the processes used in this study have been fully provided in the LCA report and are representative of the material and energy sources used in actual production.

Uncertainty: The relative uncertainty associated with this study has been minimized. No significant assumptions have been made

2.7. Period under Review

All raw material and energy inputs from the Greenville plant and used in the LCA are for the 2017 calendar year.

2.8. Allocation

Energy inputs were allocated on a mass basis so that 100% of the gas and electricity used in fiberglass production were allocated to specific types of fiberglass products based on the mass of those products. Raw material inputs were allocated to specific products based on established product formulas.

2.9. Comparability

A comparison or evaluation of EPD data is only possible if all data sets to be compared are 1) created according to EN 15804 and 2) are considered in a whole building context or utilize identical defined use stage scenarios. Comparisons are only allowable when EPDs report cradle-to-grave information using a functional unit. Refer to section 5.3 of EN 15804 for further information. This EPD meets requirements for both EN 15804 and ISO 21930.

3. Life Cycle Assessment Results

Table 4: Description of the system boundary modules

PRODUCT STAGE			CONSTRUCTION PROCESS STAGE		USE STAGE							END OF LIFE STAGE				BENEFITS AND LOADS BEYOND THE SYSTEM BOUNDARY
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport from gate to site	Assembly/install	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Building Operational Energy Use During Product Use	Building Operational Water Use During Product Use	Deconstruction	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse, Recovery, Recycling Potential
X	X	X														





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Table 5: Acronym Key

ABBREVIATION	PARAMETER	UNIT
Life Cycle Impact Assessment Indicators		
GWP	Global Warming Potential	kg CO ₂ eq.
ODP	Ozone Depletion Potential	kg CFC-11 eq.
AP	Acidification Potential	kg SO ₂ eq.
EP	Eutrophication Potential	kg N eq.
POCP	Photochemical ozone creation potential	kg O ₃ eq.
ADP	Abiotic resource depletion potential – fossil fuels	MJ, LHV
Resource Use Parameters		
RPRE	Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	MJ, net calorific value (LHV)
RPRM	Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	MJ, net calorific value
RPRT	Total use of renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials)	MJ, net calorific value
NRPRE	Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	MJ, net calorific value
NRPRM	Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	MJ, net calorific value
NRPRT	Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials)	MJ, net calorific value
SM	Use of secondary materials	kg
RSF	Use of renewable secondary fuels	MJ, net calorific value
NRSF	Use of non-renewable secondary fuels	MJ, net calorific value
RE	Recovered energy	MJ, net calorific value
FW	Net use of fresh water	m ³
Waste Parameters		
HWD	Disposed-of-hazardous waste	kg
NHWD	Disposed-of non-hazardous waste	kg
RWD	Radioactive Waste Disposed	kg
Output Flow Parameters		
CRU	Components for reuse	kg
MFR	Materials for recycling	kg
MER	Materials for energy recovery	kg
EE	Exported energy	MJ





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3.1 Life Cycle Inventory Results

Table 6: North American Impact Assessment Results for 1” Halcyon™

TRACI v2.1	UNITS	A1-A3
GWP	kg CO ₂ eq.	1.03E+03
ODP	kg CFC-11 eq.	4.53E-06
AP	kg SO ₂ eq.	4.32E+00
EP	kg N eq.	3.71E-01
POCP	kg O ₃ eq.	3.58E+01
ADP	MJ, LHV	1.03E+04

Table 7: North American Impact Assessment Results for 1” Halcyon™ Healthcare

TRACI v2.1	UNITS	A1-A3
GWP	kg CO ₂ eq.	1.04E+03
ODP	kg CFC-11 eq.	4.53E-06
AP	kg SO ₂ eq.	4.34E+00
EP	kg N eq.	3.72E-01
POCP	kg O ₃ eq.	3.61E+01
ADP	MJ, LHV	1.03E+04





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3.2. Life Cycle Inventory Results

Table 8: Resource Use for 1” Halcyon™

PARAMETER	UNITS	A1-A3
RPR _E	MJ, LHV	3.97E-01
RPR _M	MJ, LHV	2.16E+01
RPR _T	MJ, LHV	1.07E+03
NRPR _E	MJ, LHV	4.61E+01
NRPR _M	MJ, LHV	4.88E+02
NRPR _T	MJ, LHV	1.71E+04
SM	MJ, LHV	1.44E+02
RSF	MJ, LHV	0.00E+00
NRSF	MJ, LHV	0.00E+00
RE	MJ, LHV	0.00E+00
FW	m ³	3.18E+00

Table 9: Resource Use for 1” Halcyon™ Healthcare

PARAMETER	UNITS	A1-A3
RPR _E	MJ, LHV	3.97E-01
RPR _M	MJ, LHV	2.16E+01
RPR _T	MJ, LHV	1.11E+03
NRPR _E	MJ, LHV	4.61E+01
NRPR _M	MJ, LHV	4.88E+02
NRPR _T	MJ, LHV	1.72E+04
SM	MJ, LHV	1.44E+02
RSF	MJ, LHV	0.00E+00
NRSF	MJ, LHV	0.00E+00
RE	MJ, LHV	0.00E+00
FW	m ³	3.34E+00



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Table 10: Output Flows and Waste Categories for 1" Halcyon™

PARAMETER	UNITS	A1-A3
HWD	kg	3.11E-03
NHWD	kg	3.31E+02
RWD	kg	2.54E-01
CRU	kg	0.00E+00
R	kg	1.98E+02
MER	kg	0.00E+00
EE	MJ, LHV	0.00E+00

Table 11: Output Flows and Waste Categories for 1" Halcyon™ Healthcare

PARAMETER	UNITS	A1-A3
HWD	kg	3.11E-03
NHWD	kg	3.56E+02
RWD	kg	2.58E-01
CRU	kg	0.00E+00
R	kg	1.98E+02
MER	kg	0.00E+00
EE	MJ, LHV	0.00E+00





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4. LCA Interpretation

The cradle-to-gate LCA results for the production of 1" Halcyon™ panels were dominated by contributions from the production of the 3rd party supplied fiberglass basemat. For example, the fiberglass basemat contribution for the 1" Halcyon™ product contributed more than 75% of the total A1-A3 global warming potential.

Improvements should be directed at working with the 3rd party fiberglass supplier to lower the contribution attributable to the basemat.

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