

# **ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION**

In accordance with EN 15804 and ISO 14025

# **SoundProtect**

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Based on PCR 2014:13 Insulation materials

Scope of the EPD®: Russia



Registration number The International EPD®
System: S-P-00662



### **General information**

Manufacturer: Saint-Gobain Isover (Russia, 140301, MR, Yegorievsk, Smychka, 60)

Management system: ISO 9001:2008; ISO 14001:2004

Programme used: The International EPD System. For more information see <a href="https://www.environdec.com">www.environdec.com</a>

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### **Product description**

#### Product description and description of use:

This Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) describes the environmental impacts of 1 m² of mineral wool.

Saint-Gobain Isover Yegorievsk uses natural and abundant raw materials (sand), using fusion and fiberising techniques to produce mineral wool. The products obtained come in the form of a "mineral wool mat" consisting of a soft, airy structure.

On Earth, naturally, the best insulator is dry immobile air at  $10^{\circ}$ C: its thermal conductivity factor, expressed in  $\lambda$ , is 0.025 W/(m.K) (watts per meter Kelvin degree). The thermal conductivity of mineral wool is close to immobile air as its lambda varies from 0.030 W/(m.K) for the most efficient to 0.040 W/(m.K) to the least.

With its entangled structure, mineral wool is a porous material that traps the air, making it one of the best insulating materials. The porous and elastic structure of the wool also absorbs noise in the air, knocks and offers acoustic correction inside premises. Mineral wool containing incombustible materials does not fuel fire or propagate flames.

Mineral wool insulation is used in buildings as well as industrial facilities. It ensures a high level of comfort, lowers energy costs, minimizes carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions, prevents heat loss through pitched roofs, walls, floors, pipes and boilers, reduces noise pollution and protects homes and industrial facilities from the risk of fire.

Mineral wool products last for the average building's lifetime (which is often set at 50 years as a default), or as long as the insulated building component is part of the building.

#### Technical data/physical characteristics:

The thermal resistance of the product: 1 K.m<sup>2</sup>.W<sup>-1</sup> (test method: EN 13162:2008)

The thermal conductivity of the product: 0.038 W/(m.K) (test method: GOST 32314-2012 (EN

13162:2008))

Water absorption: <1 kg/m² (test method: GOST EN 1609-2011) Reaction to fire: A1 (test method: EN 13501-1:2007+A1:2009)

Description of the main product components and or materials for 1 m<sup>2</sup> of product for EPD calculation:

PARAMETER	VALUE
Quantity of wool cullet sand other raw material	532 g 50-60 mass-% 10-15 mass% 25-40 mass-%
Thickness of wool	38 mm
Surfacing	None
Packaging for the transportation and distribution	Paper for label:0.56 g Wood pallet: 36 g Polyethylene: 23 g Thermaltransfer ribbon: 0.17 g
Product used for the Installation:	None

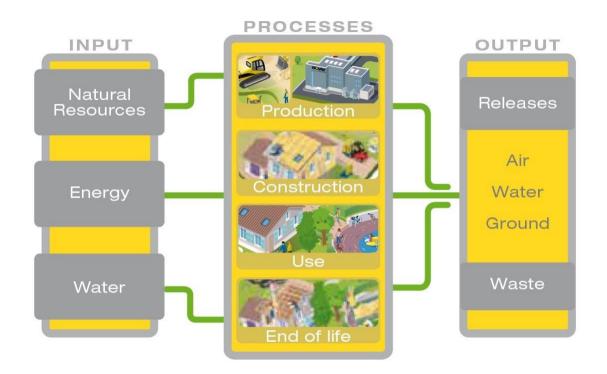
## LCA calculation information

FUNCTIONAL UNIT	Providing a thermal insulation on 1 m <sup>2</sup> with a thermal
	resistance of equals 1.0 K.m2.W <sup>-1</sup> .
SYSTEM BOUNDARIES	Cradle to Grave: Mandatory stages = A1-3, A4-5, B1-
O TO TEM BOONDAINES	7, C1-4 and Optional stage = D
REFERENCE SERVICE LIFE (RSL)	50 years
	The use of cut-off criterion on mass inputs and primary energy at the unit process level (1%) and at the information module level (5%)
CUT-OFF RULES	Flows related to human activities such as employee transport are excluded
	The construction of plants, production of machines and transportation systems are excluded since the related flows are supposed to be negligible compared to the production of the building product when compared at these systems lifetime level;
ALLOCATIONS	Input and output data are attributed to each specific product where possible. In cases for which data was only available for the whole facility, inputs and outputs were allocated by mass according to product-specific annual production amounts
GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE	Russia (Yegorievsk)
AND TIME PERIOD	2015
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- "EPD of construction products may be not comparable if they do not comply with EN 15804."
- "Environmental product declarations within the same product category from different programs may not be comparable."

### Life cycle stages

#### Flow diagram of the Life Cycle



GPI module	Asset life cycle stages	Information module			
Upstream	A1) Raw material supply				
0	A2) Transport	A1-3) Manufacturing phase			
Core	A3) Manufacturing	,			
	A4) Transport				
	A5) Construction, installation	A3-4) Manufacturing phase			
	process				
	B1) Material emission from usage				
	B2) Maintenance				
Dow nstream	B3) Repair	B) Usage stage			
	B4) Replacement				
	B5) Refurbishment				
	C1) Deconstruction, demolition				
	C2) Transport	C) End of life			
	C3) Waste processing	O) Lite of life			
	C4) Disposal				

#### Product stage, A1-A3

#### Description of the stage:

The product stage of the mineral wool products is subdivided into 3 modules A1, A2 and A3 respectively "Raw material supply", "transport" and "manufacturing".

The aggregation of the modules A1, A2 and A3 is a possibility considered by the EN 15 804 standard. This rule is applied in this EPD.

#### A1, Raw material supply

This module takes into account the extraction and processing of all raw materials and energy which occur upstream to the studied manufacturing process (with the exception of packaging used in product

manufacturing process).

Specifically, the raw material supply covers production of binder components and sourcing (quarry) of raw materials for fiber production. Besides these raw materials, recycled materials (cullet) are also used as input.

The essential raw materials for the ISOVER production are cullet (50-60 mass-%) and sand (10-15 mass-%). Other components are soda, feldspar, dolomite... The cullets are considered a secondary raw material because the cullets are not initially produced for the purpose of mineral wool insulation production.

The interlacing of the fibers is achieved with a maximum of 6% phenol-formaldehyde resin and a maximum of 0,1% silane in the finished product.

#### A2, transport to the manufacturer

The raw materials are transported to the manufacturing site. In our case, to facilitate the modeling, road (truck) and train transportations (average values) of each raw material are modeled for each plant.

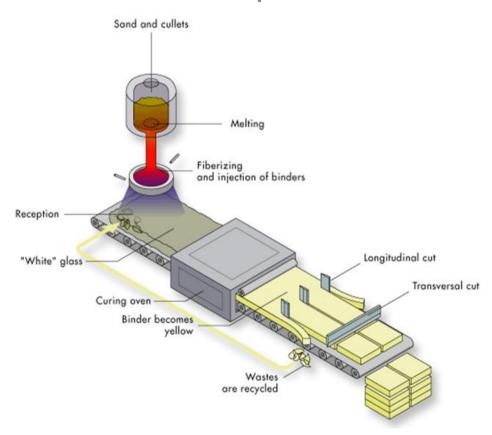
#### A3, manufacturing

This module includes manufacturing of products, manufacturing of packaging and also the transport of waste generated. Specifically, it covers liquid melt production, binder production, mineral wool fabrication (including melting and fiberization see process flow diagram) and packaging.

The production of packaging material is taking into account at this stage.

#### Manufacturing process flow diagram

### Mineral wool production



### Construction process stage, A4-A5

#### Description of the stage:

The construction process is divided into 2 modules: A4, transport to the building site and A5, installation in the building.

#### Description of scenarios and additional technical information:

#### A4, Transport to the building site:

This module includes transport from the production gate to the building site.

Transport is calculated on the basis of a scenario with the parameters described in the following table.

PARAMETER	VALUE
Fuel type and consumption of vehicle or vehicle type used for transport e.g. long distance truck, boat, etc.	Average truck trailer with a 24t payload, diesel consumption 38 liters for 100 km
Distance	760 km by truck (average distance) 6860 km by train (average distance)
Capacity utilisation (including empty returns)	100 % of the capacity in volume 30 % of empty returns
Bulk density of transported products (if available)	14 kg/m³
Volume capacity utilisation factor (if available)	1

#### A5, Installation in the building:

This module includes wastage of products during the implementation, the additional production processes to compensate the loss and the waste processing which occurs in this stage.

Scenarios used for quantity of product wastage and waste processing are:

PARAMETER	VALUE
Wastage of materials on the building site before waste processing, generated by the product's installation (specified by type)	5 %
Distance	25 (km to landfill by truck)
Output materials (specified by type) as results of waste processing at the building site e.g. of collection for recycling, for energy recovering, disposal (specified by route)	Packaging wastes are 100 % collected and landfilled Mineral woollosses are landfilled

#### Use stage (excluding potential savings), B1-B7

#### Description of the stage:

The use stage is divided into the following modules:

- ➤ **B1**, use or application of the installed product Mineral wool insulation is installed into the building, ranging from applications in lofts to cavity walls etc. There are no environmental impacts associated with this information module as we don't directly use the product once it has been installed
- ➤ B2, maintenance of the product There is no need to maintain the product once it has been installed into the site. It will continue to provide its declared product performance for the duration of its reference service life.

- ➤ B3, repair of the product Once the product has been installed into the building, there should be no need for corrective/reactive treatment to repair the product and return it to an acceptable condition. It will provide the declared product performance for the full reference service life.
- ▶ B4, replacement of the product Our reference service life for mineral wool insulation is assumed to be equal to or greater than the lifetime of the building it is installed in. Therefore, there is no need to replace the product.
- ▶ **B5**, refurbishment of the product During the reference service life of our product, the performance will not diminish and therefore there is no need to refurbish the product.
- ➤ **B6**, operational energy use of the building There is no need for operational energy usage for mineral wool insulation (apart from potential energy savings)
- > **B7**, operational water use of the building No water is required during the use stage of mineral wool insulation.

#### Description of scenarios and additional technical information:

Once installation is complete, no actions or technical operations are required during the use stages until the end of life stage. Therefore mineral wool insulation products have no impact (excluding potential energy savings) in this stage.

Mineral wool does not affect an indoor air quality. This fact is confirmed by hygienic tests of emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) (according to Russian standard SanPiN 2.1.2.729-99) and by fiber emissions tests (according to Russian standard GOST R 56732).

#### End-of-life stage C1-C4

#### Description of the stage:

The stage includes the different modules of end-of-life: C1, de-construction, demolition; C2, transport to waste processing; C3, waste processing for reuse, recovery and/or recycling; C4, disposal.

#### Description des scenarios et des informations techniques supplémentaires :

#### C1, de-construction, demolition

The de-construction and/or dismantling of insolation products take part of the demolition of the entire building. In our case, the environmental impact is assumed to be very small and can be neglected. The mineral wool is assumed to be 100% collected.

#### C2, transport to waste processing

The model and scenario used for the transportation are described in the table below.

#### C3, waste processing for reuse, recovery and/or recycling;

The product is considered to be landfilled without reuse, recovery or recycling.

#### C4, disposal;

The mineral wool is assumed to be 100% landfilled.

End of life PARAMETER	VALUE per square meter of Insulation
Collection process specified by type	The entire product, including any surfacing is collected alongside any mixed construction waste 532 g of mineral wool (collected with mixed construction waste)
Recovery system specified by type	There is no recovery, recycling or reuse of the product once it has reached its end of life phase.
Disposal specified by type	The product alongside the mixed construction waste from demolishing will go to landfill (532 g of mineral wool are landfilled)
Assumptions for scenario development (e.g. transportation)	We assume that the waste going to landfill will be transported by truck with 24 tons payload, using diesel as a fuel consuming 38 liters per 100km. Distance covered is 25 km

### **LCA results**

LCA model, aggregation of data and environmental impact are calculated from the TEAM™ software 5.1. CML impact method has been used, together with DEAM (2006) and Ecoinvent 2.2 databases for generic data.

Raw materials and energy consumption, as well as transport distances have been taken directly from the manufacturing plant of Isover Saint-Gobain Yegorievsk in 2015.

#### Influence of particular thicknesses:

As this EPD covers a range of thicknesses, a multiplication factor was used to determine their individual environmental impacts. In order to calculate the multiplication factors, a reference unit was chosen (R value =  $1 \text{ m}^2$ .K/W for 38 mm) which also acts as our functional unit. The various impacts for the other thicknesses were compared against this reference unit and a multiplication factor was calculated.

The table below highlights the multiplication factors for each individual thickness in the product family. In order to determine the environmental impacts associated with a specific product thickness, multiply the LCA results by the corresponding multiplication factor.

Product Thickness (mm)	R Value	Multiplication Factor
38	1	1
50	1.32	1,27
75	1.97	1,83
100	2.63	2,41

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS															
	Product stage		ruction s stage	Use stage							End-of-life stage				ery,
Parameters	A1 / A2 / A3	A4 Transport	A5 Installation	B1 Use	B2 Maintenance	B3 Repair	B4 Replacement	B5 Refurbishment	B6 Operational energy use	B7 Operational water use	C1 Deconstructio n / demolition	C2 Transport	C3 Waste processing	C4 Disposal	D Reuse, recovery, recycling
Global Warming Potential	9,6E-01	1,7E-01	5,9E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,0E-03	0	5,3E-03	MND
(GWP) - kg CO2 equiv/FU				0	01	0			0	,	g resulting fro chis assigned				
Construction (ODD)	2,4E-08	8,6E-08	6,2E-09	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,8E-09	0	1,4E-09	MND
Ozone Depletion (ODP)  kg CFC 11 equiv/FU		Destruction of the stratospheric ozone layer which shields the earth from ultraviolet radiation harmful to life. This destruction of ozone is caused by the breakdown of certain chlorine and/or bromine containing compounds (chlorofluorocarbons or halons), which breakdown when they reach the stratosphere and then catalytically destroy ozone molecules.													
Acidification potential (AP)	6,5E-03	9,7E-04	3,9E-04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,4E-05	0	3,1E-05	MND
kg SO2 equiv/FU		The mai									environment for electricity			dtransport.	
Eutrophication potential (EP) kg (PO4)3- equiv/FU	1,0E-03	1,9E-04	6,4E-05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,9E-06	0	7,7E-06	MND
3( 17)			Exc	essive enric	hment of wa	atersand cor	ntinental surf	aces with nu	utrients, and	the associa	ated adverse	biological e	ffects.		
Photochemical ozone creation (POPC)	2,1E-04	3,3E-05	1,3E-05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,3E-07	0	1,2E-06	MND
Ethene equiv/FU		-	The reaction	n of nitrogen		Chemical rea hydrocarbor					sun. n example of	a photoche	mical reacti	on.	
Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil ressources (ADP-elements) - kg Sb equiv/FU	2,0E-08	4,2E-10	1,7E-09	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,9E-13	0	5,0E-09	MND
Abiotic depletion potential for fossil ressources (ADP-fossil	1,5E+01	2,3E+00	9,1E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,9E-02	0	1,2E-01	MND
fuels) - MJ/FU				Consu	mption of n	on-renewab	le resources,	thereby lov	vering their a	availability fo	or future gen	erations.			

### RESOURCE USE

	Product stage		ruction s stage		Use stage							End-of-li	fe stage		ıry,
Parameters	A1 / A2 / A3	A4 Transport	A5 Installation	B1 Use	B2 Maintenance	B3 Repair	B4 Replacement	B5 Refurbishment	B6 Operational energy use	B7 Operational water use	C1 Deconstructio n / demolition	C2 Transport	C3 Waste processing	C4 Disposal	D Reuse, recovery, recycling
Use of renew able primary energy excluding renew able primary energy resources used as raw materials - MJ/FU	3,8E-01	6,1E-02	6,6E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,6E-05	0	1,1E-03	MND
Use of renew able primary energy used as raw materials MJ/FU	8,6E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	MND
Total use of renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials) <i>MJ/FU</i>	1,2E+00	6,1E-02	6,6E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,6E-05	0	1,1E-03	MND
Use of non-renew able primary energy excluding non-renew able primary energy resources used as raw materials - MJ/FU	1,6E+01	2,4E+00	1,1E+00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,0E-02	0	1,2E-01	MND
Use of non-renew able primary energy used as raw materials MJ/FU	9,9E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	MND
Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials) - MJ/FU	1,7E+01	2,4E+00	1,1E+00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,0E-02	0	1,2E-01	MND
Use of secondary material kg/FU	2,8E-01	0	1,4E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	MND
Use of renewable secondary fuels- MJ/FU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	MND
Use of non-renew able secondary fuels - MJ/FU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	MND
Use of net fresh water - m3/FU	3,3E-03	2,7E-04	2,0E-04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,7E-06	0	9,9E-05	MND

	WASTE CATEGORIES														
	Product stage	Constr proces		Use stage								ery,			
Parameters	A1 / A2 / A3	A4 Transport	A5 Installation	B1 Use	B2 Maintenance	B3 Repair	B4 Replacement	B5 Refurbishment	B6 Operational energy use	B7 Operational water use	C1 Deconstructio n / demolition	C2 Transport	C3 Waste processing	C4 Disposal	D Reuse, recovery recycling
Hazardous waste disposed kg/FU	3,5E-03	3,5E-05	1,8E-04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,1E-06	0	0	MND
Non-hazardous waste disposed kg/FU	9,7E-02	6,6E-03	7,1E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,6E-06	0	5,3E-01	MND
Radioactive waste disposed kg/FU	1,1E-05	2,5E-05	2,0E-06	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,9E-07	0	0	MND

#### **OUTPUT FLOWS** Construction Use stage End-of-life stage D Reuse, recovery, recycling process stage B6 Operational energy use B7 Operational water use C1 Deconstructio n / demolition C3 Waste processing **Parameters** Components for re-use MND kg/FU Materials for recycling 7,5E-04 MND kg/FU Materials for energy recovery MND kg/FU Exported energy 3,4E-08 MND MJ/FU

### **LCA** interpretation

The following section contains the interpretation of SoundProtect 38 mm product results.



<sup>[1]</sup> This indicator corresponds to the abiotic depletion potential of fossil resources.

#### Global Warming Potential (Climate Change) (GWP)

When analyzing the above figure for GWP, it can clearly be seen that the majority of contribution to this environmental impact is from the production modules (A1 - A3). This is primarily because the sources of greenhouse gas emissions are predominant in this part of the life cycle.  $CO_2$  is generated upstream from the production of electricity and is also released on site by the combustion of natural gas. We can see that other sections of the life cycle also contribute to the GWP; however the production modules contribute to over 80% of the contribution. Combustion of fuel in transport vehicles will generate the second highest percentage of greenhouse gas emissions.

#### Non-renewable resources consumptions

We can see that the consumption of non-renewable resources is once more found to have the highest value in the production modules. This is because a large quantity of natural gas is consumed within the factory, and non-renewable fuels such as natural gas and coal are used to generate the large amount of electricity we use. The contribution to this impact from the other modules is very small and primarily due to the non-renewable resources consumed during transportation.

<sup>[2]</sup> This indicator corresponds to the total use of primary energy

<sup>[3]</sup> This indicator corresponds to the use of net fresh water.

 $<sup>\</sup>cite{A} This indicator corresponds to the sum of hazardous, non-hazardous and radioactive waste disposed. The sum of hazardous and radioactive waste disposed to the sum of hazardous and radioactive waste disposed. The sum of hazardous and radioactive waste disposed to the sum of haz$ 

#### **Energy Consumptions**

As we can see, modules A1 – A3 have the highest contribution to total energy consumption. Energy in the form of electricity and natural gas is consumed in a vast quantity during the manufacture of mineral wool so we would expect the production modules to contribute the most to this impact category.

#### **Water Consumption**

As we don't use water in any of the other modules (A4 - A5, B1 - B7, C1 - C4), we can see that there is no contribution to water consumption. For the production phase, water is used within the manufacturing facility and therefore we see the highest contribution here. However, we recycle a lot of the water on site so the contribution is still relatively low.

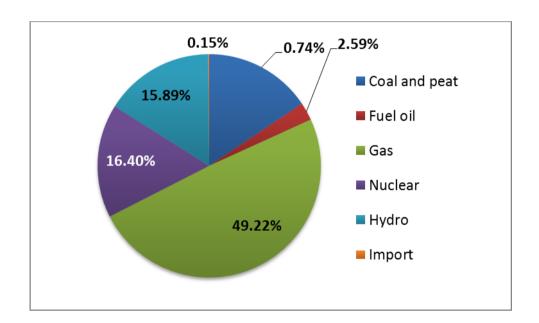
#### Waste Production

Waste production does not follow the same trend as the above environmental impacts. The largest contributor is the end of life module. This is because the entire product is sent to landfill once it reaches the end of life state. However, there is still an impact associated with the production module since we do generate waste on site. The very small impact associated with installation is due to the loss rate of product during implementation.

### Additional information

The electricity production model considered for the modelling of Saint-Gobain plant is: 401 Electricity (Russia, 2011): Production

TYPE OF INFORMATION	DESCRIPTION
Location	Representative of average production in Russia (2011)
Geographical representativeness description	Breakdown of energy sources in Russia (source: IEA 2011):- Coal and peat: 15.58%-Fuel oil: 2.59%- Gas: 49.22%- Nuclear: 16.40%- Hydro: 15.89%- Tide: 0.00%- Wind: 0.00%- Solar PV: 0.00%- Other non-thermal: 0.00% mport: 0.15%
Reference year	2011
Type of data set	Cradle to gate
Source	IEA 2011



All Isover products are manufactured under Environmental Management System – ISO 14001:2004.

The manufacturing process does not use or contain CFC's, HCFC's or other damaging gases.

# **Environmental positive contribution**

The manufacturing process in Saint – Gobain Isover Russia uses a very large amount of recycled cullet that would have otherwise been sent to landfill.

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