



# Environmental Product Declaration

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**PC Wire**

Construction steel product

## 1. General information

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### PC Wire

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**Declared product / declared unit**

1kg PC Wire

**Scope**

PC Wire is a construction steel product, mostly used to produce railroad sleepers or as used as reinforcement in concrete prestressed elements. The product is manufactured in Ceprano, Italy. This EPD relates to a specific product, which is packed either in coils or in bundle of straight cut-to-length bars. Kiwa BCS Öko-Garantie GmbH – Ecobility Experts shall not be liable with respect to manufacturer information, life cycle assessment data and evidences.

**Verification**

The CEN Norm EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 serves as the core PCR

Independent verification of the declaration and data according to ISO 14025:2011-10

internally

externally

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Name of external verifier / company  
(External verifier of Green Delta GmbH)

## 2. Product

### 2.1 Product description

PC Wire is high-strength steel, which is mainly used for prestressing in prestressed concrete construction. Prestressing steel usually belongs to the group of unalloyed steels. Its high strength values allow high elastic elongation during prestressing. In prestressed concrete construction, this reduces the loss of prestressing force due to creep and shrinkage of the concrete, which reduces the pre-stressing and thus the initially applied prestressing force.

### 2.2 Application

PC Wire in straight cut-to-length bar is used to produce railroad sleepers whereas PC Wire in coils is mostly used as reinforcement in concrete pre-stressed elements.

Standards: UNI 7675 / PrEN 10138/2. For the use and application of the product the respective national provisions at the place of use apply.

### 2.3 Technical Data

PC Wire in Bundle

Characteristic	Value	Unit
Diameter range	7–10	mm
Steel grade range	1.570–1.620	MPa
Bundle weight range	850–1.1250	kg

PC Wire in Coil

Characteristic	Value	Unit
Diameter range	7-11	mm
Steel grade range	1.570 – 1.860	MPa
Bundle weight range	1.250 – 2.500	kg
Coil dimension (∅ Inside: min.)	1.200	mm
Coil dimension (∅ Inside: max.)	1.500	mm

### 2.4 Base materials / Ancillary materials

Base Materials:

Raw material	Value	Unit
Wire Rod	100	M.-%

Ancillary Materials in the production process are water, sulfuric acid, phosphoric acid, activation salt, Lime, powder lubricant.

### 2.5 Manufacture

Siderurgica Latina Martin turns high carbon wire rod into PC wire through an integrated manufacturing process starting from in-house acid pickling & pre-coating, cold wire drawing, thermo-mechanical process to packaging both in coil and straight cut-to-length bar.

### 2.6 Reference Service Life (RSL)

As PC Wire is a semi-finished product with different applications, no RSL can be declared according to relevant ISO standards and EN 15804.

### 3. LCA: Calculation rules

#### 3.1 Declared unit

The EPD refers to the declared unit of 1 kg PC Wire excl. packaging.

	Value	Unit
Declared Unit	1	kg

#### 3.2 System boundary

This EPD monitors the production stage (EPD-Typ: “Cradle to factory gate”). The following production steps are considered during the production phase: Raw material supply (A1); Energy supply (A3); Manufacture of precursors (A1); Production of the packaging (A3); Transport of raw materials (A2); Manufacturing process (A3); Transport of production waste to the place of disposal (A3); Disposal of production waste (A3).

#### 3.3 Estimates and assumptions

The infrastructure of the production facilities is not considered due to the high mass flow. In addition, only the production-related energy consumption (excluding the administration and social areas) is considered and the energy consumption was averaged over the annual production volume. All specific transport distances of the input materials were recorded and considered accordingly. The transport distances can be found in the life cycle inventory. For all journeys, a truck with a payload of 28-30 t and emission standard EURO 5 was assumed (diesel vehicle). For the utilization, a flat rate of 85% was assumed. The losses during the production phase are less than 3 wt% and thus fall below the cut-off criteria.

#### 3.4 Cut-off criteria

All material flows that contribute to more than 1% of the total mass, energy or environmental impact of the system have been considered in the LCA. It can be assumed that the neglected processes in total contributed less than 5% to the considered impact categories. The production of the machines, plants and other infrastructure required for the production of the products was not taken into account in the LCA. The production emissions BORAX and Carbonates were not included in the LCA because no suitable data sets could be found for them.

#### 3.5 Period under review

All process-specific data was collected for the operating year 2018.

#### 3.6 Comparability

In principle, a comparison or evaluation of EPD data is only possible if all data sets to be compared have been created in accordance with EN 15804 and the building context or the product-specific performance characteristics have been taken into account.

In this case, 1 kg PC Strand was selected as the declared unit. To be able to compare the EPD data, the declared products need the same declared units, or the declared unit must be converted with the proper conversion factors to make it comparable. The secondary data for the production phase were taken exclusively from the Ecoinvent 3.4 database.

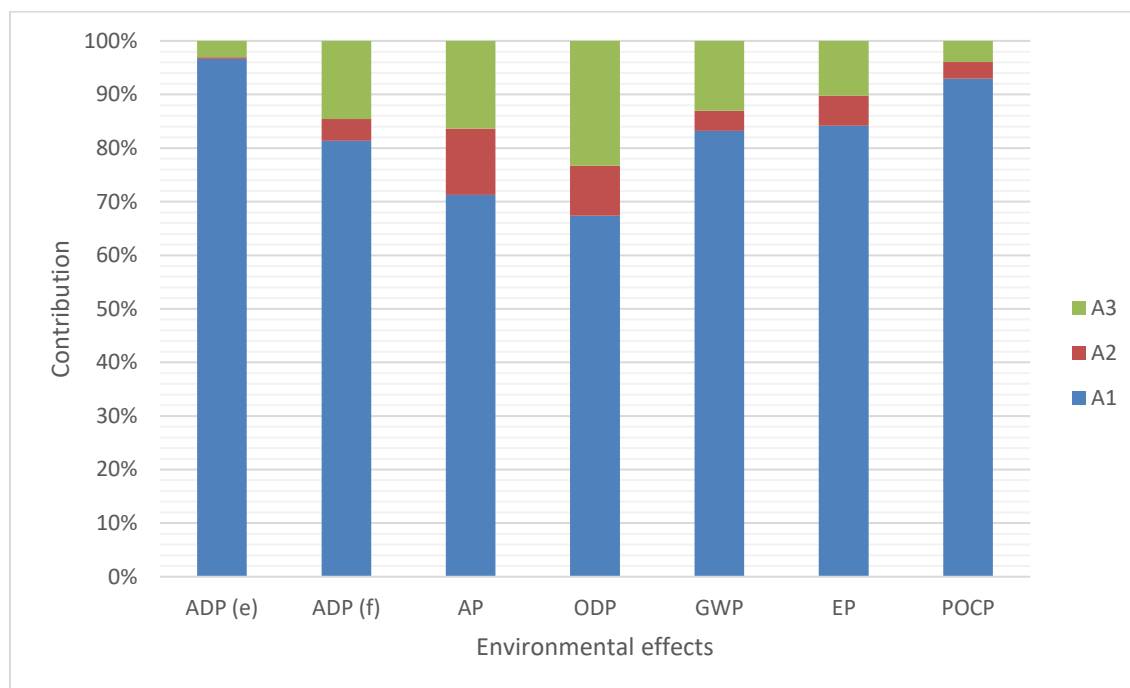
### 4. LCA: Results

The following tables show the results of the impact assessment indicators, resource use, waste and other output streams. The results presented here refer to the declared average product.

Description of the system boundary (X = Included in LCA; MND = Module not declared)																
Product stage			Construction process stage		Use stage							End of life stage				Benefits and loads beyond the system boundaries
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport from manufacturer to place of use	Construction-installation process	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishmen	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction / demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse-Recovery-Recycling-potential
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
X	X	X	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND
Results of the LCA –Environmental impact: 1 kg PC Wire																
Parameter		Unit		A1	A2	A3										
Global warming potential		[kg CO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.]		2,73E+00	1,23E-01	4,27E-01										
Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer		[kg CFC11-Eq.]		1,45E-07	2,00E-08	5,00E-08										
Acidification potential of land and water		[kg SO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.]		1,17E-02	2,03E-03	2,69E-03										
Eutrophication potential		[kg (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sup>3</sup> -Eq.]		2,78E-03	1,91E-04	3,48E-04										
Formation potential of tropospheric ozone photochemical oxidants		[kg Ethen-Eq.]		3,46E-03	1,15E-04	1,47E-04										
Abiotic depletion potential for non fossil resources		[kg Sb-Eq.]		3,36E-05	1,08E-07	1,05E-06										
Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources		[MJ]		3,52E+01	1,77E+00	6,31E+00										
Results of the LCA –Resource use: 1 kg PC Wire																
Parameter		Unit		A1	A2	A3										
Renewable primary energy as energy carrier		[MJ]		IND	IND	IND										
Renewable primary energy resources as material utilization		[MJ]		IND	IND	IND										
Total use of renewable primary energy resources		[MJ]		2,42E+00	3,63E-02	1,87E+00										
Non renewable primary energy as energy carrier		[MJ]		IND	IND	IND										
Non renewable primary energy as material utilization		[MJ]		IND	IND	IND										
Total use of non renewable primary energy resources		[MJ]		2,87E+01	1,89E+00	6,95E+00										
Use of secondary material		[kg]		1,28E-01	0,00E+00	2,50E-03										
Use of renewable secondary fuels		[MJ]		IND	IND	IND										
Use of non renewable secondary fuels		[MJ]		IND	IND	IND										
Use of net fresh water		[m <sup>3</sup> ]		2,96E-02	2,38E-04	1,54E-03										
Results of the LCA –Output flows and waste categories: 1 kg PC Wire																
Parameter		Unit		A1	A2	A3										
Hazardous waste disposed		[kg]		2,29E-04	1,27E-05	4,59E-05										
Non hazardous waste disposed		[kg]		9,06E-01	2,32E-02	3,91E-02										
Radioactive waste disposed		[kg]		5,60E-05	1,16E-05	2,30E-05										
Building materials for re-use		[kg]		IND	IND	IND										
Materials for recycling		[kg]		IND	IND	IND										
Materials for energy recovery		[kg]		IND	IND	IND										
Exported energy		[MJ]		IND	IND	IND										

## 5. LCA: Interpretation

This is a Cradle to gate EPD, which means that the EPD is based on production phase A with the modules A1 Raw material supply, A2 Transport and A3 Production. The Raw Material supply is the module with the greatest influence on the LCA results for almost all impact categories (between 67 - 97 % of the respective impact category). Module A3 has the 2nd highest share in each impact category. Transport contributes to environmental impacts with the least amount of impact.



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