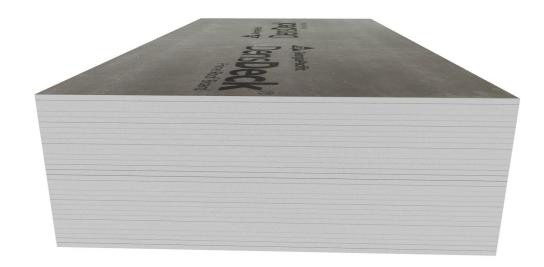


# **Environmental Product Declaration**

#### **ACCORDING TO ISO 14025 AND ISO 21930**

Type III environmental product declaration (EPD) developed according to ISO 14025 and 21930 for Gypsum 1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board





## NSF Certified Environmental Product Declaration

This document is a Type III environmental product declaration by Georgia-Pacific LLC that is certified by NSF Certification, LLC as conforming to the requirements of ISO 14025 and ISO 21930. NSF Certification, LLC has assessed that the Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) information fulfills the requirements of ISO 14040 in accordance with the instructions listed in the product category rules cited below. The intent of this document is to further the development of environmentally compatible and sustainable construction methods by providing comprehensive environmental information related to potential impacts in accordance with international standards.

## **Environmental Product Declaration Summary**

GENERAL SUMMARY							
Owner of the EPD		Georgia-Pacific Gypsum LLC					
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Product Group		Glass Mat Gypsu	um Panels				
Product Name		1/2" DensDeck®	Prime Roof Board				
Product Definition		consisting of a n	panel is the generic name for a family of sheet products of a non-combustible core primarily of gypsum with a glass mat facing. This EPD is for a gypsum panel with glass g.				
Product Category Rule	(PCR)	NSF International, Product Category Rules for North American Gypsum Boards – Gypsum PCR-2019: v1. ISO 21930 Sustainability in building construction – Environmental declaration of building products, Geneva, 2017.					
Declared Unit 1000 squ (92.9 squ			et, commonly referred eters)	to as MSF			
EPD INFORMATION							
Program Operator			NSF Certification, LLC				
Declaration Holder			Georgia-Pacific Gypsum LLC				
Product group	Product group Date of Issue			Declaration Number			
Gypsum Panel	Upd	ember 19, 2019 a <b>ted</b> ust 20, 2020	12/19/2019 - 07/31/2025	EPD10300			
Declaration Type	•		<u> </u>				

#### Declaration Type

A "Cradle-to-gate" EPD for 1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board. Activity stages covered include the product manufacturing (modules A1 to A3). The declaration is intended for use in Business-to-Business (B-to-B) communication.

## **Product Applicability and Characteristics**

1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board is primarily used as an interior surface panel suitable to receive decoration for both residential and commercial building applications. Glass Mat Gypsum Panels are used in single and multiple layer wall systems and has a service life of 60 years. 1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board is 1/2 inches thick, or 1.27 cm thick. Glass Mat Gypsum Panels are manufactured to ASTM C1177, Standard Specification for Glass Mat Gypsum Substrate for Use as Sheathing.

## **Content of the Declaration**

The declaration follows Section 9. Content of the EPD, NSF International, Product Category Rules

•	ne EPD, NSF International, Product Category Rules			
for North American Gypsum Panel Products – G	Gypsum PCR-2019: v1.			
LCA Software and Version Number	GaBi 9.5.2.49			
<b>LCI Databases and Version Number</b>	GaBi Database, Service Pack 40			
This EPD was independently verified	Jenny Oorbeck			
by NSF Certification, LLC in accordance with	joorbeck@nsf.org			
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EPD PROJECT REPORT INFORMATION				
EPD Project Report	Life Cycle Assessment of Georgia-Pacific Gypsum			
	Panel products, Final report 09/2019			
Prepared by	Georgia-Pacific LLC			
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This EPD project report was independently	Jack Geibig – EcoForm			
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PCR INFORMATION				
Program Operator	NSF International			
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Reference PCR	NSF International, Product Category Rules for			
	North American Gypsum Panel Products – Gypsum			
	PCR-2019: v1.			
Date of Issue	2019			
PCR review was conducted by:	Thomas Gloria, Ph.D.			
	Jack Geibig			
	Bill Stough			

In order to support comparative assertions, this EPD meets all comparability requirements stated in ISO 14025:2006. However, differences in certain assumptions, data quality, and variability between LCA data sets may still exist. As such, caution should be exercised when evaluating EPDs from different manufacturers, as the EPD results may not be entirely comparable. Any EPD comparison must be carried out at the building level per ISO 21930 guidelines. The results of this EPD reflect an average performance by the product and its actual impacts may vary on a case-to-case basis.

## 1 PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

#### 1.1 PRODUCT DEFINITION

Glass Mat Gypsum Panels is Georgia-Pacific Gypsum's name for a family of sheet products consisting of a noncombustible core primarily of gypsum, with glass mat surfacing. Glass Mat Gypsum Panels consists of glass mat surfaces on the face and back. Glass Mat Gypsum Panels have a noncombustible gypsum core. The panel can vary in length and can have specific glass mat facers and additives in the core to enhance physical and performance properties of the board.

Glass Mat Gypsum Panels shall comply with Standard Specification for Gypsum Board ASTM C1177, ASTM C1178, and ASTM C1658.

#### 1.2 PRODUCT STANDARD

Applicable product standards for gypsum wallboard (UNSPSC Code 30161500) include:

- ASTM C473 Standard Test Methods for Physical Testing of Gypsum Panel Products.
- ASTM C1177 Standard Specification for Glass Mat Gypsum Substrate for Use as Sheathing
- ASTM D3273-12 Standard Test Method for Resistance to Growth of Mold on the Surface of Interior Coatings in an Environmental Chamber.
- ASTM E84 Standard Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials.
- ASTM E119 10b- Standard Test Methods for Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials.

## 2 PRODUCT APPLICATION

DensDeck® Prime Roof Boards are used in commercial roof assemblies under the roofing membrane.

## 3 DECLARED UNIT

The declared unit is 1,000 square feet (MSF) of gypsum panel. The conversion factor to kilograms is 1.06  $ft^2/kg$  (=1000  $ft^2/946 kg$ ).

Table 1: Product data summary

PRODUCT	THICKNESS INCHES (CM)	SPECIFIC DENSITY LB/MSF (KG/92.9M²)	CORE TYPE	ASTM STANDARD	
1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board	1/2" (1.27 cm)	2.09E003 (946)	Type X	C1177	

#### 3.1 TECHNICAL DATA

See Table 2 for a summary of technical data for 1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board.

Table 2: Technical Data

TECHNICAL DATA	VALUE AND UNITS/TEST RESULTS/STATEMENT	REFERENCED DOCUMENTS	
"R" factor – thermal resistance in US unit [SI unit]	0.56R	ASTM C518	
Safety Data Sheet	Yes	Available at	
		gpgypsum.com	
Mold resistance (if applicable)	Score 10 out of 10	ASTM D3273	
Water Absorption (if applicable)	<5%	ASTM C1177	
Surface burning characteristics (if applicable)	See flame and smoke		
Flame Spread	0	ASTM E84	
Smoke Developed	0	ASTM E84	
Water Vapor transmission Desiccant Method Test	>25 US Perms	ASTM E96	
Abuse/Impact resistance test (if applicable)	N/A		
Total Recycled content (%)	Dependent on the facility	As defined in ISO 14021	
Pre-consumer (%)	Dependent on the facility	As defined in ISO 14021	
Post-consumer (%)	Dependent on the facility	As defined in ISO 14021	

## 4 MATERIAL CONTENT

#### **4.1 DEFINITIONS**

Per Glass Mat Gypsum Panels SDS Product List A: calcium sulfated dihydrate (Gypsum), crystalline silica (quartz), and fibrous glass (fiberglass).

The material content for 1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board is represented by the following quantities\*:

 Gypsum
 90.8%

 Glass mat
 7.71%

 Additives (dry and wet)
 1.51%

Product formulation (wet value at the time of manufacture), on the basis of 1000 square feet (1 MSF or 92.9m²) of 1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board output (dry value) with a finished density of 2.09E003 lb/MSF at 0.5% moisture content at the facility gate.

## **4.2 PACKAGING**

Packaging consists of banding, rail bags and slip sheets; cardboard and metal edge/corner protectors; risers/spacers constructed of gypsum board; and adhesive for risers/spacers.

<sup>\*</sup>Numbers may not add up to exactly 100% due to rounding

## 5 PRODUCT STAGE

The system boundary for the gypsum panel starts with the raw material acquisition and extends through the manufacturing of the panel, cradle-to-shipping gate. All transportation distances for the raw materials, chemicals and the final product were included. Data included from gypsum panel manufacturing, emissions to air, water and soil, and any solid waste or wastewater. The figures below illustrate the system boundary for gypsum facer manufacturing and gypsum wallboard manufacturing.

Table 3:	Description	of the s	vstem	boundary
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Prod	luct St	age	Const	ruction	Use S	tage						End-o	f-Life S	tage	
			Proces	ss											
			Stage												
Raw Material Supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Construction- insulation process	Use Stage	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy	Operational water	Deconstruction	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal
A1	A2	А3	A4	A5	B1	B2	В3	В4	B5	В6	В7	C1	C2	C3	C4
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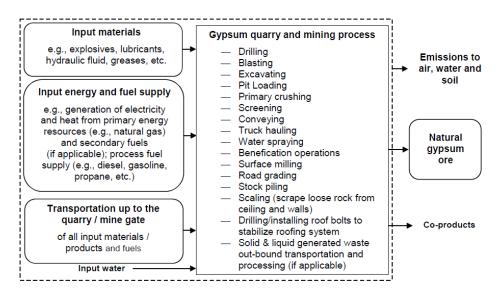


Figure 1: System boundary for gypsum quarry and mining

Gypsum glass mat manufacturing is also included in Module A1.

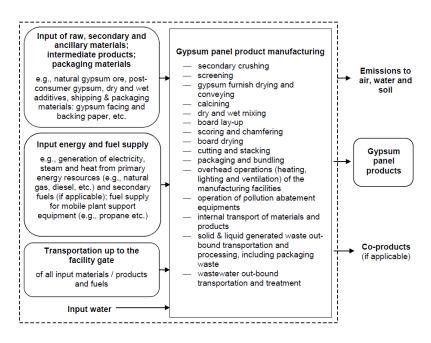


Figure 2: System boundary for gypsum panel product manufacturing

## 6 LIFE CYCLE INVENTORY

#### **6.1 CUTOFF CRITERIA**

The cut-off criteria follows the rules outlined in the Gypsum PCR and did not exceed 3% of the total mass, energy or environmental relevance.

#### **6.2 DATA QUALITY**

GP gypsum quarry, gypsum paper, gypsum glass mat, and wallboard facilities estimated, calculated, or measured the collected primary data for the production of natural gypsum, gypsum paper, gypsum glass mat, and gypsum panel product. The data was validated by the plant managers at the facilities and by the internal LCA project team.

All specific processes discussed in the Gypsum Panel Products PCR are considered and modeled to represent gypsum panel products produced at Georgia-Pacific LLC. The background process data were supplied by the USLCI database, GaBi thinkstep LCI database and the US adjusted ecoinvent v 2.2 LCI database and modeled in GaBi 9 with the 2019 database.

#### **6.3 REPRESENTATIVENESS**

The 2017 production data from 7 facilities for 1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board represents 100% of total GP production in 2017 for that product. Secondary data from appropriate LCI datasets range from 2014-2018.

#### **6.4 ALLOCATION**

Allocation is necessary for the gypsum panel and gypsum paper facilities because the mill produces other paper or panel products. The allocation rules for the LCA follow the PCR allocation rules for gypsum panel products.

Mill level data such as air, water and soil emissions, gypsum raw material, paper raw material, water consumption and energy were allocated according to production mass.

FGD gypsum was performed according to the allocation rule outlined in the PCR Section 7. The FGD gypsum is considered burden free as it is not a primary material of the coal-fired power generation and is a waste input.

## 7 LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT

#### 7.1 RESULTS OF THE LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT

The LCA results for 1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board are shown in Table 4. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's TRACI (Tool for the Reduction and Assessment of Chemical and other Environmental Impacts) life cycle impact assessment methodology (version 2.1) is applied to calculate environmental performance of gypsum board. Per declared unit, impact indicator results, energy and material resource consumption, and waste are presented in Table 4. Impact indicators used are global warming potential (GWP), acidification potential, eutrophication potential, smog potential, and ozone depletion potential. LCIA results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceedance of thresholds, safety margins, or risks.

The LCIA results were updated after the initial publication of the EPD due to a service pack update in the LCA software and databases, from service pack 39 to 40. The service pack update included updates to environmental quantities in the secondary data and some conversion factors which may impact some of the LCIA results. There were no changes made to GP primary data in this update.

Table 4: EPD Summary Results - 1 MSF of 1/2" DensDeck® Prime Roof Board

PARAMETER	UNITS	TOTAL OF PRODUCT STAGE (A1-A3)						
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS								
Global warming potential (GWP 100)	kg CO <sub>2</sub> -eq	455						
Ozone depletion potential (ODP)	kg CFC-11-eq	3.47E-005						
Eutrophication potential (EP)	kg N-eq	0.559						
Acidification potential (AP)	kg SO <sub>2</sub> -eq	1.29						
Photochemical ozone creation potential (POCP)	kg O₃-eq	23						
RESOURCE USE								
RPRE: Renewable Primary energy used as energy carrier (fuel)	MJ	107						
RPRM: Renewable primary resources with energy content used as material	MJ	2.28						
NRPRE: Non-renewable primary resources used as an energy carrier (fuel)	MJ	4.64E003						
NRPRM: Non-renewable primary resources with energy content used as material	MJ	0						
SM: Secondary materials	kg	0						
RSF: Renewable secondary fuels	MJ	0						
NRSF: Non-renewable secondary fuels	MJ	0						
RE: Recovered energy	MJ	0						
FW: Use of net fresh water resources	m <sup>3</sup>	6.34						
Abiotic depletion potential - fossil fuels (ADP <sub>fossil</sub> )	MJ	637						
WASTE FLOWS								
HWD: Hazardous waste disposed	kg	4.95E-006						
NHWD: Non-hazardous waste disposed	kg	46.1						
HLRW: High-level radioactive waste, condition, to final repository	kg	5.95E-005						
ILLRW: Intermediate- and low-level radioactive waste, conditioned, to final repository	kg	0.00163						
CRU: Components for re-use	kg	0						
MR: Materials for recycling	kg	56.1						
MER: Materials for energy recovery	kg	0						
EE: Exported energy	MJ	0						

## **7.2 INTERPRETATION**

The LCA study results found the manufacturing stage has the highest contribution to global warming and smog creation potential. The manufacturing stage includes the gypsum wallboard production and the energy consumption for wallboard manufacturing. The raw materials supply had the highest contribution to acidification potential, eutrophication potential, and ozone depletion potential. This stage includes the extraction and production of all raw materials used in the gypsum panel product.

## 8 ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

#### 8.1 ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH DURING MANUFACTURING

The following environmental abatement pollution equipment were installed at the surveyed GP facilities to control particulate matter (PM) emissions:

- Fabric Filter high temperature and low temperature baghouses
- Bin Vents
- Precipitator
- Water Sprinklers for Dust Control

## 9 DECLARATION TYPE AND PRODUCT AVERAGE DECLARATION

The type of EPD is defined as a "Cradle-to-gate" EPD covering the product stage and is intended for use in Business-to-Business communication. This EPD represents an average performance for the product(s) included in the EPD, manufactured at Georgia-Pacific facilities.

## 10 DECLARATION COMPARABILITY LIMITATION STATEMENT

Environmental declarations from different programs may not be comparable. The comparison of the environmental performance of gypsum wallboards using the EPD information shall be based on the product's use in and its impact on or within the building and shall consider the complete life cycle (all information modules). EPDs are only comparable if they comply with the NSF PCR for Gypsum Product Panels 2019 v1, include all relevant information modules, and are based on equivalent scenarios with respect to the context of construction works. EPDs prepared from cradle-to-grave life cycle results and based on the same function, RSL, quantified by the same functional unit, and meeting all the conditions for comparability listed in ISO 14025:2006 and ISO 21930:2017 can be used for comparison between products. EPDs without a functional unit may not be compared.

## 11 EPD EXPLANATORY MATERIAL

For any explanatory material, in regard to this EPD, please contact Georgia-Pacific.

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