

# **Environmental Product** Declaration **ELECTROWELDED MESH**

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# **General information**

### **EPD REFERENCES**

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### NEW EPD

### INDEPENDENT VERIFICATION

This declaration has been developed referring to the International EPD System, following the General Programme Instructions v 4; further information and the document itself are available at: www.environdec.com. EPD document valid within the following geographical area: Italy and other countries worldwide according to sales market conditions.

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# Company profile

**THE FERALPI GROUP** is one of Europe's leading manufacturers of steels for use in building construction.

The parent company Feralpi Siderurgica, which was set up in 1968 in Lonato del Garda, near Brescia, has developed steadily over the years to form a group of industries that currently more than two million tonnes of steel and rolled products a year, and has a workforce of 1500 permanent employees in Italy, Europe and North Africa.

**In over fifty years of business**, the company has branched out to foreign markets and have been able to face the challenge of an increasingly globalized steel industry. Starting from its lengthy tradition in steel manufacturing, the Group has developed according to a strategy of diversification into new products and markets, which has involved not only the internal organisation but also external transactions thanks to the acquisition of numerous enterprises operating in this industry. The Feralpi Group also operates in the field of special steels, cold working, structural steelwork, the environment and fish farming, not to mention financial activities and investments.

Since its very origins, Feralpi has focused not only on producing the best steel grades for building construction but also on doing it in the most sustainable possible way, which has involved reducing energy consumption and emissions by using the latest technology available or developing in-house new solutions covered by patents as a result of intensive innovation and research.

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## FERALPI, AN INTERNATIONAL DIVERSIFIED GROUP (2022)



Lonato del Garda

Feralpi Siderurgica, set up in 1968





# Scope and Type of EPD

THE APPROACH USED IN THIS EPD IS "CRADLE TO GATE WITH OPTIONS" ONE

### **Table of modules**

	PRODUCT STACE CONSTRUCTION PROCESS STAGE			CESS	USE STAGE						END OF LIFE STAGE				BENEFITS AND LOADS BEYOND THE SYSTEM BOUNDARIES		
MODULE	<b>Z</b> Raw material supply	Transport	<b>Ka</b> Manufacturing	Transport to the gate to the site	Asseambly	esu B1	Mainteinance	Repair B3	Replacement	<b>B2</b> Refurbishment	<b>90</b> Operational energy use	<b>D</b> BB Operational water use	<b>D</b> e- construction demolition	<b>C</b> Transport	<b>Q</b> Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse - Recovery - Recycling Potential
modules declared	✓	✓	✓	✓	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	✓	✓	✓	✓	<
geography	IT	IT	IT	WLD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	WLD	WLD	WLD	WLD	WLD
specific data used		>90%		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
variations - products	RE	NOT ELEVA	NT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
variations - sites	RE	NOT ELEVA	.NT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**SOFTWARE:** SimaPro ver. 9.5

MAIN DATABASE: Ecoinvent 3.9.1

**REPORT LCA:** Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) applied to steel mill products and derivatives for EPD® purposes - final report

GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE OF THE EPD: World according to sales market conditions TYPE OF EPD: Specific for cold rolled steel products

# The product

It is made using both **cold-rolled wire** (diameter 4 mm onwards) and **hot-rolled wire** (6 to 16 mm in diameter), by joining the longitudinal and transversal wires by electric resistance welding to form a panel of the desired dimensions.

Quick-and-easy to use, welded mesh is the ideal solution for the construction of yards, industrial floors, reinforcing walls and house renovations.

**The main materials of the final product are:** iron > 96%; alloy elements (e.g. manganese, silicon, carbon) 2% c.a.; other elements (e.g. copper, nickel, chromium) complementary to 100%; for (post-consumer) recycled content see section Other optional additional environmental information.

### Declared unit for the study is one tonne of cold rolled electrowelded mesh.

INFORMATION	
PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION	Cold rolled electrowelde
PRODUCT FEATURES	Welded mesh: Diameters from 4.5 to 1 Weight from 666 to 2 20
	Steel coming from post electric arc furnace rout
	Adherence and surface - for 4,5 $\le \emptyset \le 6 \text{ mm } f_{R}$ - for 8 $< \emptyset \le 12 \text{ mm } f_{R}$ or - for Ø >14 mm $f_{R}$ or
PRODUCT PROPERTIES	Weldability: C <sub>eq</sub> < 0.52
(UNDER EN16120-2:2017)	Typical yield stress: Re c
	Elongation: Agt > 2,5%
	Successful in bend and
	Successful in Tensile str
	Total amount of produc
	Total production, for sel
	On-site air emission cor
PLANT FEATURES	On-site system to recyc
	On-site system to recyc
	In/out materials/produc nuclear radiation
	In house photovoltaic p

DESCRIPTION ded mesh 16 mm 200 kg t and pre consumer steel scraps produced in te (EAF) and further hot and cold rolling process e geometry  $f_{R}$  or  $f_{P}$ : or f<sub>P</sub> 0.035 r f\_ 0.040 r f<sub>p</sub> 0.056 or Rp<sub>0.2</sub> > 450 MPa rebend test rength test icts covered by this EPD, year 2023: 633 017 t elling purpose, year 2023: 633 017 t ontrol system cle process water cle water used in process cts and melting process monitored to prevent

plant of 625 kW peak capacity operating since 2011

# **Environmental performance**

The detailed environmental performance (in terms of use of resources, pollutant emissions and waste generation) is presented for the three phases, Upstream, Core and Downstream and related sub-phases (A1-A2-A3-A4-C1-C2-C3-C4-D). The numbers reported in the following tables are the outcome of rounding. For this reason total results could slightly differ from the sum of contributions of the different phases. The energy sources behind the electricity grid used in manufacturing is a mix between italian residual mix 2022 and renewable energy with Guarantees of Origin related network losses and tranformation. Final emission factor is 0,118 kg  $CO_2$  eq. /kWh.

### Environmental impacts per declared unit

		UPSTREAM		CORE PROCESS		DOWNSTREAM							
	UNITÀ	A1	A2	A3	A1:A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D		
GWP	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	3,02E+02	1,62E+01	1,58E+02	4,76E+02	7,97E+01	5,26E+01	1,78E+01	2,31E+00	2,70E-01	1,44E+02		
GWP,f	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	3,00E+02	1,61E+01	1,58E+02	4,75E+02	7,97E+01	5,26E+01	1,78E+01	2,30E+00	2,70E-01	1,44E+02		
GWP,b	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	3,79E-01	7,40E-03	1,76E-01	5,62E-01	7,88E-03	3,13E-03	1,06E-03	5,63E-03	2,85E-05	1,12E-02		
GWP,luluc	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	1,06E+00	3,26E-03	5,44E-02	1,12E+00	3,07E-03	2,16E-03	3,52E-04	5,79E-03	1,36E-05	1,38E-02		
GWP,ghg	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	3,02E+02	1,62E+01	1,58E+02	4,76E+02	7,97E+01	5,26E+01	1,78E+01	2,31E+00	2,70E-01	1,44E+02		
ODP	kg CFC-11 eq	8,64E-06	3,48E-07	9,56E-07	9,94E-06	1,76E-06	8,30E-07	3,88E-07	1,47E-08	4,02E-09	2,71E-06		
AP	mol H+ eq	1,19E+00	5,30E-02	3,15E-01	1,56E+00	1,39E-01	5,04E-01	3,59E-02	1,12E-02	2,51E-03	5,60E-01		
EP,f	kg P eq	7,95E-02	1,20E-03	2,22E-02	1,03E-01	1,10E-03	3,97E-04	1,23E-04	1,04E-03	8,07E-06	6,70E-02		
EP,m	kg N eq	2,81E-01	2,04E-02	1,02E-01	4,03E-01	4,28E-02	2,37E-01	1,26E-02	2,38E-03	1,14E-03	1,20E-01		
EP,t	mol N eq	2,93E+00	2,15E-01	1,06E+00	4,21E+00	4,35E-01	2,57E+00	1,31E-01	2,38E-02	1,24E-02	1,28E+00		
POCP	kg NMVOCeq	1,19E+00	7,96E-02	3,90E-01	1,66E+00	2,37E-01	7,57E-01	6,06E-02	7,15E-03	3,71E-03	6,85E-01		
ADPE*	kg Sb eq	1,76E-04	5,95E-07	2,62E-05	2,03E-04	2,82E-06	2,21E-06	6,18E-07	6,57E-08	1,07E-08	1,27E-03		
ADPF*	MJ	4,96E+03	2,30E+02	8,54E+02	6,05E+03	1,09E+03	6,92E+02	2,39E+02	3,08E+01	3,47E+00	1,23E+03		
WDP*	m³	1,22E+02	4,76E-01	9,84E+01	2,20E+02	1,12E+00	8,87E-01	2,19E-01	4,00E-01	4,78E-03	1,21E+01		

# **Environmental performance**

### Resource use per declared unit

	UPSTREAM		CORE PROCESS			DOWNSTREAM							
	UNITÀ	Al	A2	A3	A1:A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D		
PERE	MJ	1,84E+03	6,69E+00	1,10E+02	1,96E+03	5,40E+00	1.35E+00	6.28E-01	4.34E+00	1.55E-02	1.04E+02		
PERM	MJ	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00		
PERT	MJ	1,84E+03	6,69E+00	1,10E+02	1,96E+03	5,40E+00	1.35E+00	6.28E-01	4.34E+00	1.55E-02	1.04E+02		
PENRE	MJ	6,01E+03	2,37E+02	8,28E+02	7,07E+03	1,10E+03	7.00E+02	2.42E+02	4.01E+01	3.57E+00	1.85E+03		
PENRM	MJ	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,67E+02	1,67E+02	0,00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00		
PENRT	MJ	6,01E+03	2,37E+02	9,95E+02	7,24E+03	1,10E+03	7.00E+02	2.42E+02	4.01E+01	3.57E+00	1.85E+03		
SM	kg	1,11E+03	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,11E+03	0,00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00		
RSF	MJ	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00		
NRSF	MJ	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00		
FW	m³	4,02E+00	3,29E-02	2,54E+00	6,59E+00	5,54E-02	3.44E-02	1.00E-02	1.76E-02	1.82E-04	3.52E-01		

Additional environmental impact indicators are computed in the LCA report but not reported in the EPD. \*The results of this enviromental impact indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties on these results are high or as there is limited experience with the indicator.

GWP Global warming potential, total GWP,f Global warming potential, fossil GWP,b Global warming potential, biogenic GWP,luluc Global warming potential, land use & land use change GWP,ghg Global warming potential, excluding biogenic uptake, emission and storage

**ODP** Ozone depletion potential **AP** Acidification potential **EP.f** Futrophication potential, freshwater **EP,m** Eutrophication potential, marine **EP,t** Eutrophication potential, terrestrial **POCP** Photochemical ozone creation potential **ADPE** Abiotic depletion potential minerals

### & metals\*

ADPF Abiotic depletion potential fossil fuels\* **WDP** Water use deprivation potential\* \*: The results of these environmental impact indicators shall be used with care as the uncertainties on these results are high or as there is limited experience with the indicator

PERE Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials

**PERM** Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials

PERT Total use of renewable primary energy resources

PENRE Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable

primary energy resources used as raw materials

**PENRM** Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials

**PENRT** Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources **SM** Use of secondary raw materials **RSF** Use of renewable secondary fuels NRSF Use of non-renewable secondary fuels FW Use of net fresh water

# **Environmental performance**

### Output flows and waste categories per declared unit

		UPSTREAM	CORE P	ROCESS		DOWNSTREAM							
	UNITÀ	Al	A2	A3	A1:A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D		
HWD	kg	5,58E-01	0,00E+00	1,29E+00	1,84E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00		
NHWD	kg	2,38E+01	0,00E+00	1,84E+01	4,22E+01	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,00E+02	0,00E+00		
RWD	kg	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00		
CRU	kg	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00		
MFR	kg	5,27E+01	0,00E+00	1,39E+02	1,91E+02	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	9,00E+02	0,00E+00	0,00E+00		
MER	kg	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00		
EE	MJ	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00		

HWD Hazardous waste disposed NHWD Non-hazardous waste disposed

RWD Radioactive waste disposed **CRU** Components for re-use MFR Materials for recycling

MER Materials for energy recovery EE Exported energy

# Calculation rules

The environmental burden of the product has been calculated according to EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 and PCR 2019:14 v 1.3.4.

This declaration is a cradle to gate with options EPD type, based on the application of Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) methodology to the whole life-cycle system. In the whole LCA model, infrastructures and production equipments are not taken into account.

Cold rolled electrowelded mesh at plant level were described by using specific data from manufacturing facility (Lonato del Garda, BS, Italy) for year 2023.

Customized LCA questionnaires were used to gather in-depth information about all aspects of the production system (for example, raw materials contents and specifications, pre treatments, process efficiencies, air and water emissions, waste management), in order to provide a complete picture of the environmental burden of the system from raw materials supply (A1) to Transport (A2) and Manufacturing (A3). The use phase was not considered according to EN:15804 and PCR 2019:14 v 1.3.4, while transport to final destination (A4) and end of life (C1-C2-C3-C4-D) were considered. Therefore, in nominal installation and operating conditions, no emissions to air nor to water shall occur.

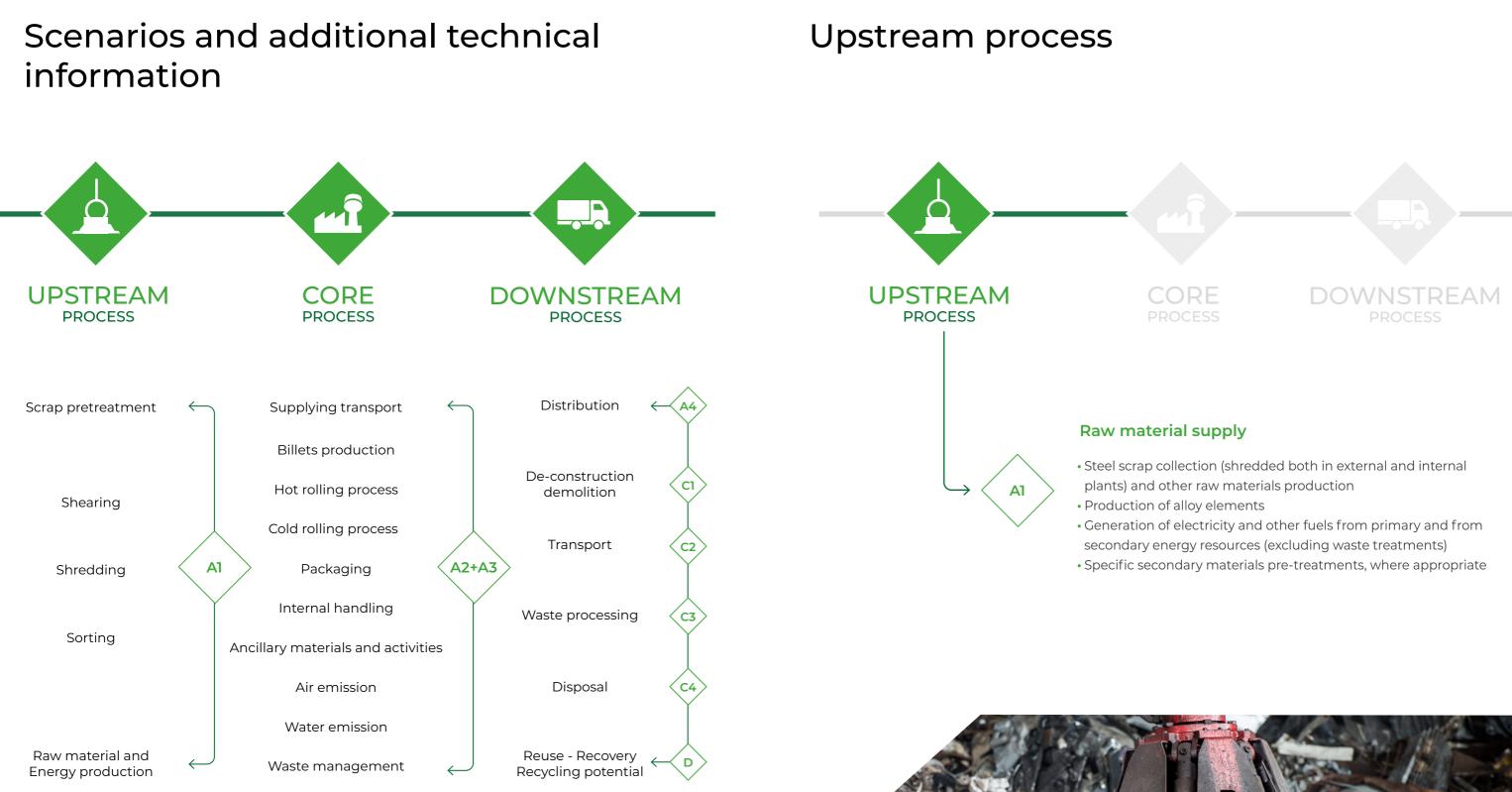
The total amount of billets treated in the rolling phase are partially purchased from other group steel shops.

According to ISO 14040 and 14044, allocation is avoided whenever possible by dividing the system into sub-systems. When allocation cannot be avoided physical properties are used to drive flow analysis. Due to the presence of co-products in steel mill, an economic allocation were used in that phase.

Scrap pre and post consumer has been modeled following new PCR 2019:14 v1.3.4 rules by adding environmental loads on pre-consumer.

Data quality has been assessed and validated during data collection process. According to EN:15804 the applied cut-off criterion for mass and energy flows is 1%.



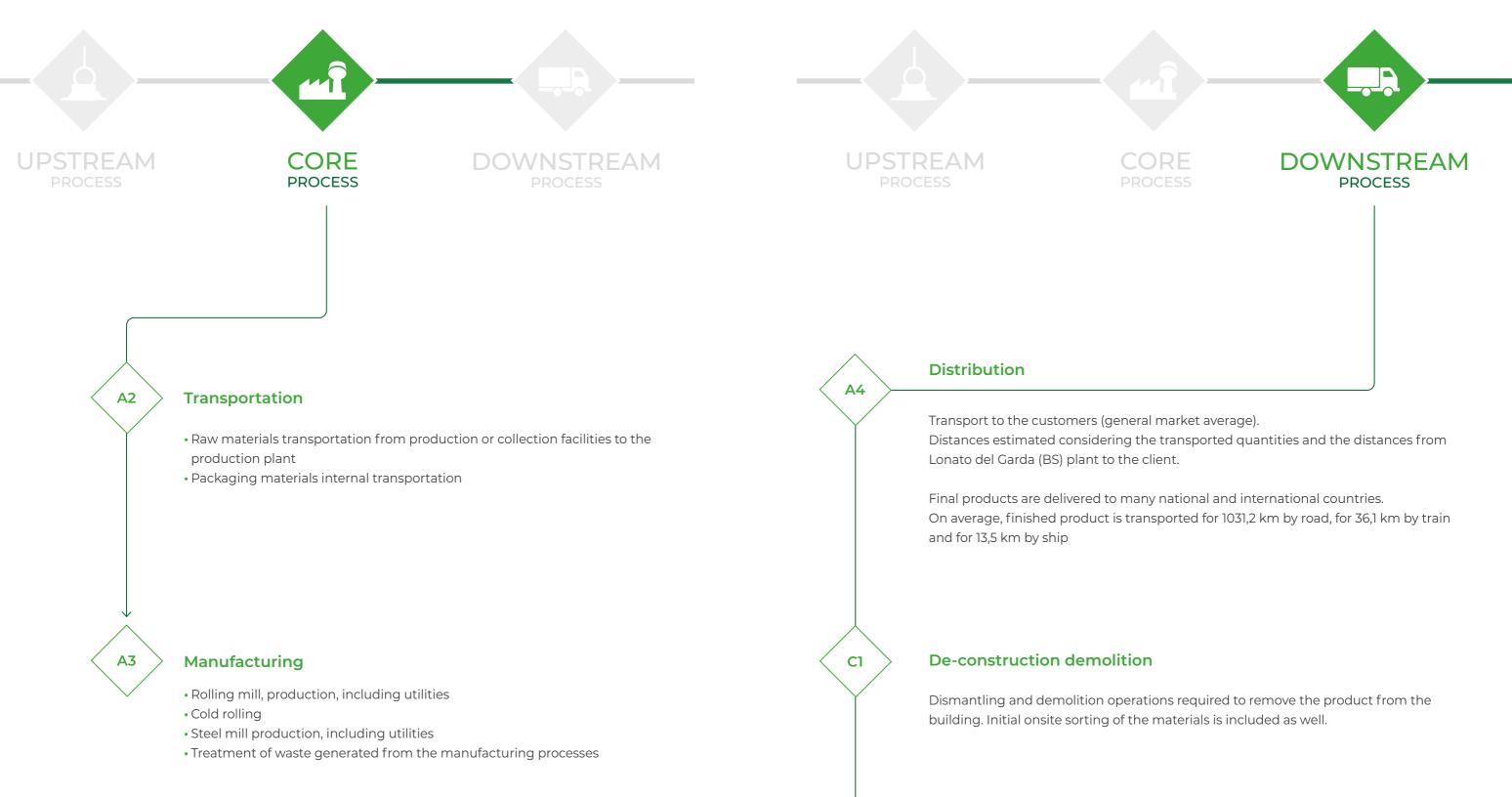


Broad scheme of hot rolled steel production, in which the main activities included in the system boundaries are listed and divided in the three subsystems: UPSTREAM Process, CORE Module and DOWNSTREAM Process.





# Downstream process



# Downstream process

# Other optional additional environmental information

**Feralpi plant in Lonato del Garda (BS**) is equipped with prevention and reduction systems for air emissions, a recirculating loop cooling to minimize water consumption and a waste management plan to prevent and reduce waste generation.

In accordance with general EPD® requirements the LCA study used specific, generic and proxy data.

ОТН	IER ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATORS	UNIT	UP	CORE	DOWN	TOTAL
	Dust from electric-arc furnace	[9]	-	2,35	-	2,35
AIR	CO <sub>2</sub> from electric-arc furnace	[kg]	-	30,69	-	30,69
EMISSIONS	NOx from hot rolling process	[9]	-	70,97	-	70,97
	SOx from hot rolling process	[9]	-	17,84	-	17,84
WATER EMISSIONS	Total Suspended Solids	[g]	-	5,53	-	5,53

### MINIMUM CONTENT OF RECYCLED, RECOVERED, BY-PRODUCT MATERIALS

PRODUCT TYPE	PRODUCT NAME			-	RECOVERED MATERIAL		ODUCT ERIAL	TOTAL CONTENT OF RECYCLED, RECOVERED, BY-PRODUCT MATERIAL
		Total	Pre- consumer [%]	Pre- consumer [%]	[%]	Internal	External	[%]
COLD-ROLLED STEEL	Electrowelded mesh	97,8	n.p.d.	n.p.d.	0	1,0	0	98,8

### \*n.p.d : no performance determined

Recycled content verified according to ICMQ CP DOC 262, certification n. P568 rev. 2 and calculated according to UNI EN ISO 14021, publication date 28/02/2024, referred to 2023 year.

### Transport

C2

**C3** 

**C4** 

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Transportation of the discarded product as part of the waste processing (to recycling site or to a final disposal site).

### Waste processing

Waste processing, including collection of waste fraction from deconstruction and waste processing of material flows intended for reuse, recycling and energy recovery.

### Disposal

Waste disposal including physical pre-treatment and management of the disposal site.

### Reuse - Recovery - Recycling potential

Environmental impacts associated to waste use after the investigated system (including recycling).

In this module impacts arising from steel recycling are accounted, including avoided impacts associated to primary steel production. The result is expressed as net value between direct impact (i.e. recycling steel in EAF furnace) and avoided impact (i.e. producing steel from iron ore in BOF furnace).

# References

- EN 15804:2012+A2:2019
- ISO 14040
- ISO 14044
- UNI EN ISO 14021:2021
- $\cdot$  Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) applied to steel mill products and derivatives for EPD® purposes -
- final report
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