

# Life Cycle Impact Results (per yd³)

Declared Unit: 1 yd3 of 4,500 psi concrete at 28 days

OPERATIONAL IMPACTS	Service Rock Products 4552F		
Non-renewable primary energy (MJ)	1,429		
Renewable primary energy (MJ)	54		
Total primary energy (MJ)	1,483		
Concrete batch water (m³)	0.13		
Concrete wash water (m3)	0.0008		
Total consumptive water (m3)	0.13		
Non-renewable material resource (kg)	1,343		
Renewable material resource (kg)	0.0005		
On-site waste disposal hazardous (kg)	0.0		
On-site waste disposal non- hazardous (kg)	0.0		
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS			
Climate Change (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq)	301.5		
Ozone Depletion (kg CFC 11 eq)	1.1E-06		
Acidification Air (kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq)	1.5		
Eutrophication (kg N eq)	0.04		
Photochemical Ozone Creation (kg O₃ eq)	19.8		
TPACI 2.1 Characterization Factors			

TRACI 2.1 Characterization Factors



Service Rock Products has been delivering concrete materials for over 30 years and we know the pride that goes into every project. We also know what is expected of a Company that supplies materials to projects that will last for generations. We know the materials we deliver must be of the highest quality, must be delivered on time and supported by a staff of professionals that is trained to answer any question you may have to make your job go as smoothly as possible.

We work hard to give our customers the added edge in today's competitive markets, it's in our name and the "Service" should always speak for itself.

Our team will provide you with any information you need to assist you with your project planning. . This commitment to "Service and Quality" is what makes working with Service Rock Products a "Priceless" experience!

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION VERIFICATION**

EPD Information						
Program Operator		NSF International				
Declaration Holder		Service Rock Products				
Product: 4552F	Date of Issue November 3, 2017	Period of Validity Declaration Number 5 Years EPD 10126				
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Program Operator		Carbon Leadership Forum				
Reference PCR		North American Product Category Rules (PCR) for ISO 14025 Type III Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) version 1.1				
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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION: DETAILED VERSION**



#### **Product Description**

Products covered by this Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) are for 4,500 psi concrete applications developed and produced by Service Rock Products for markets in the Las Vegas metropolitan area. The specified compressive strength is 4,500 psi at 28 days with a 4" +/- 2" slump and 1.50% design air.

This EPD reports the impacts for the product concrete further defined by ASTM C94, UNSPSC code 30111500 and CSI Specification Section 03 30 00. The life cycle phases covered are A1 (Raw Material Supply: Upstream Processes), A2 (Transportation from Supplier to Gate of Producer) and A3 (Concrete Production – Core Process). This EPD is based on a cradle-to-gate system boundary deemed appropriate as concrete mixtures are supplied to a variety of different products and the function of the final product is not specifically determined. Life cycle stages that are not included in this EPD are A4 (Transportation to the Construction Site), A5 (Construction and Installation Process), B1-7 (Use Phase) and C1-4 (End of Life Stage).



#### **Product Components**

The product components for the mixes identified for this EPD meet the following ASTM Standards:

Component	Standard	Specification for:	
Portland Cement	ASTM C150	Portland Cement	
Fly Ash	ASTM C618	Fly Ash used in cementitious mixtures	
Natural and Crushed Aggregates	ASTM C33	Concrete aggregates	
Admixtures	ASTM C494	Chemical Admixtures for Concrete	
Batch Water	ASTM C1602	Mixing water used in the production	
	A31W C1002	of hydraulic cement concrete	



#### **Declared Unit**

The declared unit is 1 yd³ of Service Rock Products concrete produced for applications with a specified compressive strength of 4,500 psi at 28 days with a slump of 4" +/- 2"and 1.50% design air.



#### **Cut-off Criteria**

The cut-off criteria for raw material/energy consumption and environmental impacts for inclusion is less than 1% however for the Carbon Leadership Forum PCR all inputs and outputs for which data is available shall be included. The total of the estimated neglected input flows does not exceed 5% for the total impacts from energy, mass or climate change.

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#### Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)

The LCIA results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks.

A summary of the life cycle stages *included* in the EPD is as follows:

- 1. Raw Material Supply (upstream processes): Extraction, handling and processing of the raw materials used in production of concrete: cement, supplementary cementitious materials, aggregate (course and fine), water, admixtures and other materials or chemicals used in concrete mixtures.
- 2. Transportation: Transportation of these materials from supplier to the 'gate' of the concrete producer.
- 3. Manufacturing (core processes): The core processes result from the energy used to store, batch, mix and distribute the concrete and operate the facility (concrete plant).
- 4. Water use in mixing and distributing concrete.

A summary of life cycle stages **excluded** from the EPD is as follows:

- 1. Production, manufacture and construction of buildings, capital goods and infrastructure with an expected lifespan of over 5 years.
- 2. Production and manufacture of concrete production equipment, concrete delivery vehicles, earthmoving equipment and laboratory equipment with an expected lifespan of over 5 years.
- 3. Personnel-related activities (travel, furniture, office supplies).
- 4. Energy and water use related to company management and sales activities.
- 5. Water use in upstream manufacturing processes and in the placement and curing of concrete. Better data and methodology is required to track and report these numbers.

A summary of the limitations of this EPD include:

- This EPD does not report all of the environmental impacts due to manufacturing of the product, but rather
  reports the environmental impacts for those categories with established life cycle assessment based
  methods to track and report. Unreported environmental impacts include (but are not limited to) factors
  attributable to human health, land use change, water use in the upstream manufacturing process and
  habitat destruction.
- 2. This EPD report the results of an LCA for 'cradle-to-gate' analysis. Thus, declarations are not comparative assertions defined as an environmental claim regarding the superiority or equivalence of one product versus a competing product that performs the same function. An EPD does not make any statements that the product covered by the EPD is better or worse than any other product.
- 3. In order to assess the local impacts of product manufacturing, additional analysis is required.
- 4. The product manufacturer has the option of declaring additional information about their product including conformance with any other sustainability certification programs that often have performance and prescriptive requirements that aim to illustrate environmental best practices that cannot be captured by LCA.
- 5. Life Cycle Impact Assessment results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks.

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EPD of concrete mixtures may not be comparable if they do not comply with this standard and data from this EPD. While EPD can be used to compare concrete mixtures, the data cannot be used to compare between construction products or concrete mixtures used in different concrete products unless the data is integrated into a comprehensive LCA. For example, precast concrete, concrete masonry units and site cast concrete all have different manufacturing processes whose impacts are attributed to different LCA stages. This precludes direct comparison between mixtures used in these different products unless all life cycle phases are included.



#### **Data Quality and Variability**

This EPD was created using industry average data for upstream materials. Variation can result from differences in supplier locations, manufacturing processes, manufacturing efficiency and fuel type used. A range of climate change impacts is not available at this time due a lack of industry average data. The EPD will be updated as industry average data becomes available for any/all inputs. The data sources used in the life-cycle assessment are included in Table 1. An assessment of the data quality selected for this EPD was conducted using the five data quality indicators per the "Greenhouse Gas Protocol Product Life Cycle Accounting and Reporting Standard". A summary of the assessment is shown in Table 2 with data quality rated from low to high in the categories of "Technological Representativeness", "Geographical Representativeness", "Temporal Representativeness", "Completeness" and "Reliability".

LCI	Data Source	Version	Year (Updated)	Region	Technology
Portland Cement	GaBi	6.115	2014	United States	Current
Fly Ash	GaBi	6.115	2015	United States	Current
Natural Aggregate	GaBi	6.115	2015	United States	Current
Natural Course Aggregate	GaBi	6.115	2015	United States	Current
Water	GaBi	6.115	2015	United States	Current
Wood	GaBi	6.115	2015	United States	Current
Cardboard	GaBi	6.115	2015	United States	Current
Plastic	GaBi	6.115	2014	Regional average	Current
Electricity	GaBi	6.115	2015	United States	Current
Diesel	GaBi	6.115	2016	United States	Current
Natural Gas	GaBi	6.115	2016	United States	Current
MasterPozzolith	GaBi/BASF	6.115	2016	United States	Current
MasterAir	GaBi/BASF	6.115	2016	United States	Current
Truck Transport	GaBi	6.115	2014	United States	Current
Rail Transport	GaBi	6.115	2015	United States	Current
Sea Transport	GaBi	6.115	2015	United States	Current

Table 1: Data Sources



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Profile	Technology	Temporal	Geography	Completeness	Reliability
Portland Cement	High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Fly Ash	High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Natural Aggregate	High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Natural Course Aggregate	High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Water	High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Wood	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Cardboard	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Plastic	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Electricity	High	Med-High	High	Med-High	High
Diesel	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Natural Gas	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
MasterPozzolith	High	High	Med-High	High	High
MasterAir	High	High	Med-High	High	High
Truck Transport	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Rail Transport	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High
Sea Transport	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	Med-High	High

Table 2: Data Quality Assessment

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