

# **Environmental Product Declaration**

As a major brand under the fastest growing carpet company in the world, J+J Flooring Group is also proud to bring to the market its flexibility to easily monitor and modify our footprint while pursuing innovative sustainable practices. As a company we believe that products should be evaluated holistically using a multi-attribute approach, rather than focusing on single product attributes or certifications. With conservation as the core of our sustainability initiatives, we've developed aggressive goals on energy and emissions reduction, water conservation, recycled content and waste minimization.

To get us where we are now, we used our 20/20 Vision process but will be following our 2025 Commercial Environmental Goals going forward into the next 5 years.





Program Operator	NSF International 789 N. Dixboro, Ann Arbor, MI 48105 www.nsf.org				
General Program instructions and Version Number	Part A: Life Cycle Assessment Calculation Rules and Report Requirements, Version 3.2				
Manufacturer Name and Address	J+J Flooring Group 818 J and J Dr Dalton, GA 30721				
Declaration Number	EPD10175				
Declared Product and Functional Unit	Kinetex Textile Composite Flooring 1 m <sup>2</sup> of installed flooring and with a building service life of 75 years				
Reference PCR and Version Number	Part A: Life Cycle Assessment Calculation Rules and Report Requirements, Version 3.2 Part B: Flooring EPD Requirements. UL 10010-7, September 28, 2018				
Product's intended Application and Use	Commercial Flooring and Wall Applications				
Product RSL	15 years				
Markets of Applicability	North America				
Date of Issue	03/22/2019				
Period of Validity	5 years from date of issue				
EPD Type	Product Specific				
Range of Dataset Variability	N/A				
EPD Scope	Cradle to Grave				
Year of reported manufacturer primary data	2017				
LCA Software and Version Number	GaBi 8.7.0.18				
LCI Database and Version Number	GaBi Database Version 8.7, Service Pack 35				
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#### Limitations:

Environmental declarations from different programs (ISO 14025) may not be comparable.

Comparison of the environmental performance of Flooring Products using EPD information shall be based on the product's use and impacts at the building level, and therefore EPDs may not be used for comparability purposes when not considering the building energy use phase as instructed under this PCR. Full conformance with the PCR for Products allows EPD comparability only when all stages of a life cycle have been considered. However, variations and deviations are possible". Example of variations: Different LCA software and background LCI datasets may lead to differences results for upstream or downstream of the life cycle stages declared.



#### Product Definition and Information

## 1. Company Description

Established in 1957, J+J Flooring Group is a leading manufacturing brand of commercial specified flooring. With broadloom and modular carpet, Kinetex® Textile Composite Flooring and LVT (Luxury Vinyl Tile) – we provide a range of product and service solutions to meet the needs of our customers in the corporate workplace, education, healthcare, retail and hospitality sectors. That guiding ethic continues today as J+J Flooring Group strives to positively impact our associates, customers and community on a daily basis. By putting our people first, we produce products with pride, provide value to our customers and make a difference in our community. Our commitment to our associates and their families, as well as our larger community, requires J+J Flooring Group to provide gainful employment and economic development. In 2016, J+J Flooring Group joined Engineered Floors, LLC. Based in Dalton, Ga., Engineered Floors, LLC is a privately held carpet producer founded by Robert E. Shaw in 2009 and based in Dalton, Ga., with facilities in Calhoun and Dalton, Ga. Engineered Floors employs 4000 people.

#### 2. Product Description

and is excluded from the study.

Kinetex® is an advanced Textile Composite Flooring that combines key attributes of soft-surface floor covering with the long-wearing performance characteristics of hard-surface flooring. Kinetex is a carpet tile product family with polyester face fiber and a PET felt backing that is mechanically bonded. A representative product within the Kinetex family was chosen. The composition within the Kinetex family of products does not differ other than pigments and dyes used to give each style of carpet tile its own distinct appearance. The variation in terms of pigments and dyes used is less than 5% of the total product weight

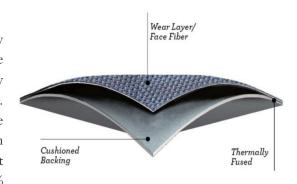


Figure 1: Product Construction

This EPD covers all styles and colors under the Kinetex product family. Specific products can be found on J+J's <u>website</u>. The key to the high-performance attributes of Kinetex® lies within its construction. Each layer, when used together, creates a versatile, lightweight, soft-surface flooring design with parallel qualities to that of hard-surface.

Table 1: Technical Details

Parameter			
Additional characteristics per NSF/ ANSI 140	Fully I	Recyclable	
Sustainable certifications	Certified Platinum	n to NSF/ ANSI 140	
VOC emissions test method	Green Lab	pel Plus (GLP)	
Product Form	Car	pet tile	
Type of Manufacturing	Mechanically bonded PET on PET felt back		
Yarn Type	Polyester		
Total Carpet Weight	$1.60 \text{ kg/m}^2$		
Total Pile Weight	0.29 kg/m <sup>2</sup>		
CRI-TARR Rating		4.5	
Characteristics	Nominal Value	Unit	
Total thickness	< 10.16 (< 0.4)	mm (inch)	
Surface pile thickness	5.08 (0.20)	mm (inch)	
Number of tufts or loops /dm <sup>2</sup>	>6.4516 (>100)	dm <sup>2</sup> (in <sup>2</sup> )	



Parameter		
Surface pile weight	291.589 (8.6)	$g/m^2(oz/yd^2)$
Secondary backing	100% PET	-

Table 2: Performance Testing for Kinetex

Test	Result
AATCC2 Test Method 134-2011	≤ 0.7 kV
Electrostatic Propensity of Carpets (Normative value ≤ 3.5 KV)	= 0.7 KV
AATCC2 Test Method 16-2004	5
Colorfastness to Light (minimum grade 4 at 40 AFU)	3
ASTM6 E648	
Standard Test Method for Critical Radiant Flux of Floor-Covering	0.64
Systems Using a Radiant Heat Energy Source	
ASTM6 E662	Non Floring 40
Standard Test Method for Specific Optical Density of Smoke	Non-Flaming 49
Generated by Solid Materials	Flaming 136
ASTM6 D5252	
Standard Practice for the Operation of the Hexapod Tumble	4.5
Drum Tester	
ASTM6 D7330	
Standard Test Method for Assessment of Surface Appearance	4.5
Change in Pile Floor Coverings Using Standard Reference Scales	
	Ct1 -0.012
ISO14 2551/ ASTM6 Dimensional Stability	Ct2 -0.190
(Modular Tiles Only)	Ct3 + 0.002
	Ct4 -0.023

#### 3. Application

J+J Flooring Group's Kinetex® non-slip flooring is intended for use as a flooring tile in medium-to-high traffic commercial applications such as retail, healthcare, education, offices, public venues and institutional environments. Further information about the product may be found on J+J Flooring's <u>website</u>.

#### 4. Properties of Declared Product as Delivered

The product is usually delivered packaged in a cardboard box with plastic film and paper to protect the tiles during shipping. These are usually shipped in tile sizes of 12"x48", 18"x36", 24"x24".

#### 5. Declaration of Methodological Framework

This EPD is considered a Cradle-to-Grave study. A summary of the life cycle stages included in this EPD is presented in Section 17. The reference service life is outlined in Table 10 and is only applicable if all manufacturing guidelines are followed regarding site-selection and installation, found online. No known flows are deliberately excluded from this EPD. Third party verified ISO 14040/44 secondary LCI data sets contribute more than 67% of total impacts in all impact categories required by the PCR.

#### 6. Flow Diagram

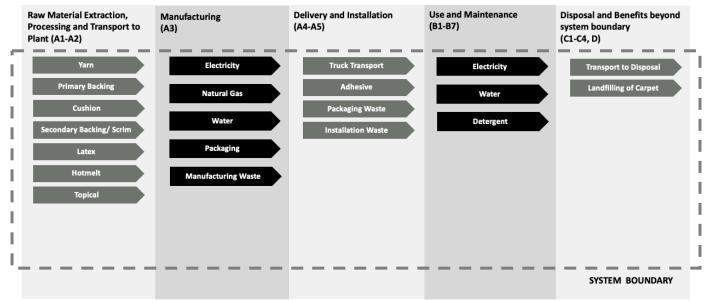


Figure 2: Flow Diagram

#### 7. Manufacturing

The first step in Kinetex manufacturing is needle-punching. The process involves combining three different PET fibers into a felt product. The fibers are combined by teasing them together with a series of needles. The felt which forms a part of the secondary backing contains recycled content and this has been incorporated into the LCA model. Needle punching is followed by mechanical bonding where PET yarn is affixed to a PET film. This process is similar to tufting which is used in traditional carpet manufacturing. No glues or other additives are utilized. Next, the mechanically bonded intermediary from the previous step undergoes bulking. This process involves adding heat and steam to the intermediary to add volume to the fibers on the mechanically bonded product. This is then sent for laminating and embossing.

The laminating process involves adding heat to the intermediary created in the bulking stage and the felt product. This process involves heating the two intermediaries to a level in which they "melt" together. The process creates a permanent bind between the two layers.

Embossing refers to the stamping of a pattern on the face of the product. No additional material inputs are necessary in this step. Finally, the tile cutting process involves stamping out individual carpet tiles from the carpet roll completed in the laminating phase. This is followed by packing the Textile Composite Flooring tiles for storage or immediate shipment. This product contains no regulated substances above the required threshold.

#### 8. Material Composition

Table 3: Material Composition

Component	Material	(Mass %)
Face Yarn	Polyester, Carbon Black, Titanium dioxide	18.3%
Primary Backing	Polyethylene	9.7%
Secondary Backing/ Scrim	Polyethylene	8.4%
Cushion	PET Felt	63.3%
Topical	Non-fluoro Stain Resist	0.5%
Total		100%

# 9. Packaging

Table 4: Packaging Inputs

Input per sq. m <sup>2</sup>	Value	Unit
Cardboard	0.067	kg
Pallet	0.127	kg
Paper	0.00003	kg
Plastic film	0.001	kg



#### 10. Transportation

It is assumed that all raw materials are distributed by truck. An average distance using this information was calculated and used in the model. Transport of raw material from supplier to the manufacturing facility was calculated for each raw material using primary data. Average distance to installation site was calculated based on average distance of total shipments to be 565.46 miles from the J+J facility in 2017.

#### 11. Product Installation

Table 5: Product Installation Inputs

Input per sq. m <sup>2</sup>	Value	Unit
Adhesive	0.115	kg
Install waste	5	%

The product is delivered to the customer via truck, depending on the location of the end-user. Detailed installation instructions are provided online. Installation equipment is required though not included in the study as these are multi-use tools and the impacts per declared unit is considered negligible. Packaging waste is generated and disposed of in this stage. For installation of Kinetex, J+J recommends Kinetex adhesive to be used for optimum performance. Non-applied pattern Kinetex products feature the proven releasable spread system, Kinetex Adhesive. This adhesive is formulated for Kinetex Textile Composite Flooring products and is built to bond the textile composite to the properly prepared substrates for the life of the installation. Products with Kinetex Adhesive will perform in elevated RH slabs up to 95%. Kinetex Adhesive offers the flexibility to simply remove and replace individual modules if conditions warrant a quick fix.

#### 12. Use

The reference service life (RSL) of Kinetex carpet tile is assumed to be 15 years. Given the RSL of the products under consideration, 4 replacements of the product are required to cover the Estimated service life (ESL) of the

building which is 75 years. Table 6 shows the parameters for the use phase scenario undergoing study.

Maintenance	Light	Medium	Heavy	Unit
Vacuum	1	3	5	#/ week
Spot Check/ Clean	5	5	5	#/ week
Interim Maintenance	2	4	12	#/ year
Restorative Maintenance	1	2	4	#/ year

Table 6: Use phase parameters

# 13. Reference Service Life and Estimated Building Service Life

A reference service life of 15 years is assumed for J+J's modular carpet tiles. The estimated service life of the building is 75 years as per Part A: Life Cycle Assessment Calculation Rules and Report Requirements, UL Environment, V3.2, 2018.

## 14. Reuse, Recycling and Energy Recovery

Kinetex has been designed with the end in mind. Its construction is among the simplest of all flooring products (excluding dirt floors, of course). As a result, we'd love to have it back at the end of its useful life. To accomplish this, J+J Flooring, as a brand of the larger Engineered Floors family, offers our customers the opportunity to use our Carpet Reclamation Program. With this program we facilitate the reclamation of used carpet and guarantee that it will not reach a landfill. To initiate the carpet reclamation process, please call 1.800.241.4586 or email reclamation@engineeredfloors.com. In addition to reclaiming used carpet, old flooring can be safely disposed of in municipal landfills or sent to waste-to-energy facilities (subject to local regulations).

#### 15. Disposal

All waste has been classified according to regional-specific legislation as laid out in Section 2.8.5 and 2.8.6 in Part A: Life Cycle Assessment Calculation rules and Report Requirements from UL Environment. Per Part A, the product is completely landfilled.



# Life Cycle Assessment Background Information

#### 16. Functional Unit

The functional unit of the flooring product is one (1) m<sup>2</sup> of floor covering.

	Kinetex Tile
Functional Unit [m²]	1
Average Weight [kg]	1.3

# 17. System Boundary

This EPD is a cradle-to-grave study.

Table 7: Description of system boundary modules (X = Included in study)

	PROD	PRODUCT STAGE			CONSTRUCT- E ION PROCESS STAGE				USE ST	ГAGE			EN	D OF L	IFE STA	GE	BENEFITS AND LOADS BEYOND THE SYSTEM BOUNDARY
	A1	A2	А3	A4	A5	В1	B2	В3	B4	В5	В6	В7	C1	C2	СЗ	C4	D
	Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport from gate to site	Assembly/Install	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Building Operational Energy Use During Product Use	Building Operational Water Use During Product Use	Deconstruction	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse, Recovery, Recycling Potential
EPD Type		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	MND

Table 8: System Boundary and Modules

Module Name	Description	Analysis Period	Summary of Included Elements
A1	Product Stage: Raw Material Supply	2018	Raw Material sourcing and processing as defined by secondary data.
A2	Product Stage: Transport	2018	Shipping from supplier to manufacturing site. Fuel use requirements estimated based on product weights and estimated distance.
A3	Product Stage: Manufacturing	2017	Energy, water and material inputs required for manufacturing products from raw materials. Packaging materials and manufacturing waste are included as well.
A4	Construction Process Stage: Transport	2018	Shipping from manufacturing site to project site. Fuel use requirements estimated based on product weights and mapped distance.
A5	Construction Process Stage: Installation	2018	Installation materials, installation waste and packaging material waste.
B1	Use Stage: Use	2018	Use of the product.
B2	Use Stage: Maintenance	2018	Cleaning energy, water, and materials, including refinishing the product.
В3	Use Stage: Repair	2018	Materials and energy required to repair the product.
В4	Use Stage: Replacement	2018	Total materials and energy required to manufacture a replacement.



Module Name	Description	Analysis Period	Summary of Included Elements
В5	Use Stage: Refurbishment	2018	Materials and energy required to refurbish the product.
В6	Operational Energy Use	2018	Operational Energy Use of Building Integrated System During Product Use
В7	Operational Water Use	2018	Operational Water Use of Building Integrated System During Product Use
C1	EOL: Deconstruction	2018	No inputs required for deconstruction.
C2	EOL: Transport	2018	Shipping from project site to landfill. Fuel use requirements estimated based on product weight and mapped distance.
C3	EOL: Waste Processing	2018	Waste processing not required. All waste can be processed as is.
C4	EOL: Disposal	2018	Landfill impacts modeled based on secondary data.
D	Benefits beyond system	MND	Credits from energy or material capture.

#### 18. Estimates and Assumptions

All estimates and assumptions are within the requirements of ISO 14040/44. The majority of the estimations are within the primary data. The primary data was collected as annual totals including all utility usage and production information. For the LCA, the usage information was divided by the production to create an energy and water use per square meter. As there are different products produced at this facility, it is assumed all products are using the same amount of energy. Another assumption is that the installation tools are used enough times that the per square meter impacts are negligible.

#### 19. Cut-Off Rules

Material inputs greater than 1% (based on total mass of the final product) were included within the scope of analysis. Material inputs less than 1% were included if sufficient data was available to warrant inclusion and/or the material input was thought to have significant environmental impact. Cumulative excluded material inputs and environmental impacts are less than 5% based on total weight of the functional unit. The excluded materials are some additives and pigments (0-3.09%).

#### 20. Data Sources

Primary data was collected by J+J associates for onsite energy, water and waste during the course of manufacturing. Whenever available, supplier data was used for raw materials used in the production process. When primary data did not exist, secondary data for raw material production was used from GaBi Database Version 8.7, Service Pack 35. All calculation procedures adhere to ISO14044.

#### 21. Data Quality

The geographical scope of the manufacturing portion of the life cycle is Dalton, GA. All primary data were collected from the manufacturer. The geographic coverage of primary data is considered excellent. Primary data were provided by the manufacturer and represent all information for calendar year 2017. Primary data provided by the manufacturer is specific to the technology that the company uses in manufacturing their product. It is site-specific and considered of good quality. Data used to allocate energy and water on a per unit of product produced includes overhead energy such as lighting, heating and sanitary use of water due to unavailability of sub-metering. Sub-metering would improve the technological coverage of data quality.

#### 22. Period under Review

The period under review is calendar year 2017.



#### 23. Allocation

General principles of allocation were based on ISO 14040/44. There are no products other than carpet tiles and broadloom carpets that are produced as part of the manufacturing processes studied in the LCA. Since there are no co-products, no allocation based on co-products is required. To derive a per unit value for manufacturing inputs such as electricity, natural gas and water, allocation based on total production in square meters was adopted. Discussions with J+J Flooring staff divulged this was a more representative way than via mass to allocate the manufacturing inputs based on the manufacturing processes used and the types of products created. As a default, secondary GaBi datasets use a physical mass basis for allocation. Throughout the study recycled materials were accounted for via the cut-off method. Under this method, impacts and benefits associated with the previous life of a raw material from recycled stock are excluded from the system boundary. Additionally, impacts and benefits associated with secondary functions of materials at end of life are also excluded (i.e. production into a third life or energy generation from the incineration plant). The study does include the impacts associated with reprocessing and preparation of recycled materials that are part of the bill of materials of the products under study.

#### 24. Comparability and Benchmarking

The user of the EPD should take care when comparing EPDs from different companies. Assumptions, data sources, and assessment tools may all impact the uncertainty of the final results and make comparisons misleading. Without understanding the specific variability, the user is therefore, not encouraged to compare EPDs. Even for similar products, differences in use and end-of-life stage assumptions, and data quality may produce incomparable results. Comparison of the environmental performance of Flooring Products using EPD information shall be based on the product's use and impacts at the building level, and therefore EPDs may not be used for comparability purposes when not considering the building energy use phase as instructed under this PCR. Full conformance with the PCR for Products allows EPD comparability only when all stages of a life cycle have been considered. However, variations and deviations are possible". Example of variations: Different LCA software and background LCI datasets may lead to differences results for upstream or downstream of the life cycle stages declared.



# Life Cycle Assessment Scenarios

Table 9: Transport to building site (A4)

Name	Truck	Unit
Fuel type	Diesel	-
Liters of fuel	39.0625	l/100km
Vehicle type	Truck – Trailer, basic enclosed/ 45,000 lb payload	-
Transport distance	909.3	km
Capacity utilization	0.78	%
Weight of products transported	20,411.657	kg
Capacity utilization volume factor	1	-

Table 10: Reference Service Life

Name	Value	Unit
RSL	15	years
Declared product properties (at the gate) and finishes, etc.	See Table 1	-
Design application	Installation per recommendation by manufacturer	-
An assumed quality of work, when installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions	Accepted industry standard	1
Indoor environment (if relevant for indoor applications)	Normal building operating conditions	1
Use conditions, e.g. frequency of use, mechanical exposure	Normal building operating conditions	-

Table 11: Installation into the building (A5)

Name	Kinetex	Unit
Adhesive	0.11	kg
Product loss per functional unit	0.08	kg
Waste materials at the construction site before waste processing, generated by product installation	0.3	kg
Output materials resulting from on-site waste processing	0	kg
Packaging waste, cardboard	0.067	kg
Packaging waste, plastic film	0.001	kg
Packaging waste, wooden pallet	0.127	kg
Packaging waste, paper	0.00003	kg
Biogenic carbon contained in packaging	0.25	kg CO <sub>2</sub>

Table 12: Maintenance (B2)

Name	Value	Unit				
Maintenance process information	Manufacture	r recommended				
Vacuum (Daily)	3600	Number/ RSL				
Vacuum (Daily)	18000	Number/ ESL				
Spot Check (Daily)	3600	Number/ RSL				
Spot Check (Daily)	18000	Number/ ESL				
Interim Maintenance (Monthly)	180	Number/ RSL				
Interim Maintenance (Monthly)	900	Number/ ESL				
Restorative Maintenance (Quaterly)	60	Number/ RSL				
Restorative Maintenance (Quaterly)	300	Number/ ESL				
Net freshwater consumption specified by water source and fate	10.27	kg/m² floor/yr				
Neutral detergent	0.007	kg/m² floor/yr				
Electricity for vacuuming	1.17	kWh/m² floor/yr				
Further assumptions for scenario	Vacuum ar	nd spot check				
development (e.g. frequency and	everyday, interim maintenance					
time period of use, number of	every month and restorative					
occupants);	maintenance	e every quarter				

Table 13: Replacement (B4)

Name	Value	Unit
Replacement cycle	0	Number/ RSL
Replacement cycle	4	Number/ ESL
Energy input, specified by activity, type and amount	0	kWh
Net freshwater consumption specified by water source and fate	0	$\mathrm{m}^3$
Adhesive	0.11	kg/ replacement

Table 14: End of life (C1-C4)

Name		Kinetex	Unit			
Assumptions	s for scenario development	Product is either disposed of with the underlying floor or manually removed via scraping				
	Collected separately	0	kg			
Collection process	Collected with mixed construction waste	1.72	kg			
	Reuse	0	kg			
	Recycling	0	kg			
	Landfill	1.72	kg			
Recovery	Incineration	0	kg			
	Incineration with energy recovery	0	kg			
	Energy conversion efficiency rate	84-94	%			
Disposal	Product or material for final deposition	1.72	kg			
Removals of bioge	nic carbon (excluding packaging)	0.0825	kg			



# Life Cycle Assessment Results

All results are given per functional unit, which is 1 m<sup>2</sup> of installed flooring over an estimated building life of 75 years. Environmental Impacts were calculated using the GaBi software platform. Impact results have been calculated using both TRACI 2.1 and CML 2001-Jan 2016 characterization factors. LCIA results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks. These six impact categories are globally deemed mature enough to be included in Type III environmental declarations. Other categories are being developed and defined and LCA should continue making advances in their development, however the EPD users shall not use additional measures for comparative purposes.

See Impact Category Key below for definition of acronyms.

Table 15: Impact Category Key

Acronym	Text	Acronym	Text
ADP- elements	Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources	GWP	Global warming potential
ADP-fossil	Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources	OPD	Depletion of stratospheric ozone layer
AP	Acidification potential of soil and water	POCP	Photochemical ozone creation potential
EP	Eutrophication potential	Resources	Depletion of non-renewable fossil fuels
	LCI Indi	cators	
$RPR_E$	Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	SM	Use of secondary materials
$RPR_M$	Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	RSF	Use of renewable secondary fuels
NRPRE	Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	NRSF	Use of non-renewable secondary fuels
NRPR <sub>M</sub>	Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	FW	Net use of fresh water
HWD	Disposed-of-hazardous waste	MR	Materials for recycling
NHWD	Disposed-of non-hazardous waste	MER	Materials for energy recovery
HLRW	High-level radioactive waste, conditioned, to final repository	EE	Exported energy
ILLRW	Intermediate- and low-level radioactive waste, conditioned, to final repository	CRU	Components for reuse
RE	Recovered energy		

Table 16: Carbon Emissions and Removals

Parameter	Parameter	Kinetex	Unit
BCRP	Biogenic Carbon Removal from Product	0.0825	kg CO <sub>2</sub>
BCEP	Biogenic Carbon Emission from Product	0.0825	kg CO <sub>2</sub>
BCRK	Biogenic Carbon Removal from Packaging	0.51	kg CO <sub>2</sub>
BCEK	Biogenic Carbon Emission from Packaging	0.109	kg CO <sub>2</sub>



# 1. Kinetex Textile Composite Flooring - Yarn Weight - 8.6 oz/yd²

# 1.1 CML Results

Impact Category	A1-A3	A4	<b>A</b> 5	B1	B2	В3	B4	B5	В6	В7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
ADP- elements [kg Sb eq]	1.45E-06	2.36E-08	1.81E-07	0.00E+00	1.15E-05	0.00E+00	6.75E-06	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.79E-09	0.00E+00	3.29E-08	MND
ADP-fossil fuel [MJ]	8.43E+01	1.83E+00	6.34E+00	0.00E+00	6.53E+02	0.00E+00	3.75E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.93E-01	0.00E+00	1.18E+00	MND
AP [kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq]	1.00E-02	4.46E-04	7.55E-04	0.00E+00	1.08E-01	0.00E+00	4.61E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	7.16E-05	0.00E+00	3.23E-04	MND
EP [kg Phosphate eq]	1.06E-03	1.20E-04	3.53E-04	0.00E+00	8.87E-03	0.00E+00	6.30E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.92E-05	0.00E+00	4.18E-05	MND
GWP [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq]	4.50E+00	1.30E-01	4.21E-01	0.00E+00	5.07E+01	0.00E+00	2.05E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.08E-02	0.00E+00	7.63E-02	MND
ODP [kg CFC 11 eq]	5.69E-12	4.44E-15	8.32E-14	0.00E+00	8.24E-11	0.00E+00	2.32E-11	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	7.12E-16	0.00E+00	1.40E-14	MND
POCP [kg Ethene eq]	9.26E-04	4.48E-05	1.57E-04	0.00E+00	7.20E-03	0.00E+00	4.62E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	7.19E-06	0.00E+00	2.72E-05	MND

# 1.2 TRACI Results

Impact Category	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	В3	B4	B5	В6	В7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
AP [kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq]	1.21E-02	7.17E-04	1.66E-03	0.00E+00	1.27E-01	0.00E+00	5.95E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.15E-04	0.00E+00	4.20E-04	MND
EP [kg N eq]	9.25E-04	5.84E-05	3.33E-04	0.00E+00	8.85E-03	0.00E+00	5.35E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	9.37E-06	0.00E+00	2.13E-05	MND
GWP [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq]	5.35E+00	1.54E-01	4.83E-01	0.00E+00	6.03E+01	0.00E+00	2.43E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.49E-02	0.00E+00	9.07E-02	MND
ODP [kg CFC 11 eq]	6.82E-12	5.31E-15	9.95E-14	0.00E+00	9.86E-11	0.00E+00	2.78E-11	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	8.52E-16	0.00E+00	1.67E-14	MND
Resources [MJ]	1.05E+01	2.93E-01	1.03E+00	0.00E+00	6.14E+01	0.00E+00	4.81E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	4.70E-02	0.00E+00	1.82E-01	MND
POCP [kg O <sub>3</sub> eq]	1.65E-01	2.37E-02	1.27E-02	0.00E+00	1.41E+00	0.00E+00	8.39E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.80E-03	0.00E+00	8.31E-03	MND



# 1.3 Resource Use Results

Impact Category	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	В3	B4	В5	В6	В7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
RPR <sub>E</sub> [MJ]	8.59E+00	5.43E-02	1.63E-01	0.00E+00	6.85E+01	0.00E+00	3.56E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	8.72E-03	0.00E+00	1.03E-01	MND
RPR <sub>M</sub> [MJ]	0.00E+00	MND													
NRPR <sub>E</sub> [MJ]	1.16E+02	2.20E+00	7.83E+00	0.00E+00	1.02E+03	0.00E+00	5.09E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.53E-01	0.00E+00	1.45E+00	MND
NRPR <sub>M</sub> [MJ]	0.00E+00	MND													
SM [kg]	0.00E+00	MND													
RSF [MJ]	0.00E+00	MND													
NRSF [MJ]	0.00E+00	MND													
RE [MJ]	0.00E+00	MND													
FW [m <sup>3</sup> ]	2.89E-02	2.64E-04	2.21E-03	0.00E+00	1.17E+00	0.00E+00	1.26E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	4.25E-05	0.00E+00	1.76E-04	MND

# 1.4 Output Flows and Waste Results

Impact Category	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	В3	В4	В5	В6	В7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
HWD [kg]	6.67E-07	1.71E-08	4.01E-09	0.00E+00	5.04E-07	0.00E+00	2.77E-06	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.74E-09	0.00E+00	5.00E-09	MND
NHWD [kg]	8.35E-02	8.25E-05	2.21E-01	0.00E+00	3.95E-01	0.00E+00	9.50E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.33E-05	0.00E+00	2.07E+00	MND
HLRW [kg]	7.44E-06	5.83E-09	1.15E-07	0.00E+00	1.10E-04	0.00E+00	3.03E-05	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	9.34E-10	0.00E+00	1.88E-08	MND
ILLRW [kg]	5.86E-03	4.82E-06	9.61E-05	0.00E+00	9.20E-02	0.00E+00	2.39E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	7.74E-07	0.00E+00	1.50E-05	MND
CRU [kg]	0.00E+00	MND													
MR [kg]	0.00E+00	MND													
MER [kg]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.82E-03	0.00E+00	MND										
EE [MJ]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	6.97E-03	0.00E+00	MND										



# Life Cycle Assessment Interpertation

Overall for J+J's products, Global Warming and Abiotic Depletion of fossil fuels are the impact categories of most significance. Within these impact categories, the vast majority of impacts are aggregated in the A1-A3 phase of the life cycle of the product. A1-A3 includes raw material sourcing, transportation and manufacturing. The second largest life cycle stage is B2 which is the maintenance of the product over a year for all products. Impacts from maintenance can be attributed to the electricity used to vacuum carpet to maintain cleanliness and appearance.

For Kinetex, raw materials and manufacturing contributes to around 77% and maintenance contributes to 11.6% of total life cycle impacts. Within raw materials and manufacturing, electricity contributes to 50% and yarn contributes to 26% of total impacts most of which comes from manufacturing PET. Thermal energy from natural gas is 0.2% of total impacts.

#### 25. Environment and Health During Manufacturing

As responsible stewards of the environment, we believe in using all resources as efficiently and judiciously as possible — prioritizing conservation and consumption reduction before recycling or reuse. With conservation at the heart of our sustainability philosophy, finding alternatives for (and preventing the excessive use of) valuable resources is the basis of our approach to environmental impact management.

- We are proud to be an EPA Green Power Partner and are committed to using clean, renewable energy for our
  electricity use. View our <u>certificate of partnership</u> or learn more about the <u>Green Power Partner Program</u> where we
  purchased RECs to help support over 50% of our total annual electricity demand since 2016.
- In 2018, we made some notable improvements to our energy efficiency, including reducing dye-house energy, upgrading our extrusion processes, consolidating our operations, and expanding into the industry's most state-ofthe-art manufacturing facility.
- We're saving water and energy by optimizing our product mix with a growing number of products featuring yarns that use low-intensity dyeing processes, including solution dyeing and space-dyeing.
- With the increased use of renewable energy an equally important element of our 2025 Goals, we also invested significant time and research into new avenues for integrating alternatively sourced energy into our consumption portfolio.

#### 26. Environment and Health During Installation

All recommended personal protective equipment (PPE) should be utilized during installation, as indicated on the SDS and installation guidelines, found online. Kinetex meets <u>requirements</u> of the Carpet and Rug Institute's Green Label Plus Program for indoor air quality.

# 27. Extraordinary Effects

Fire

Kinetex's fire performance testing details can be found in Table 2.

Water

Should the product become flooded, the water should be removed through means of extraction and drying, and the product should behave as originally intended. There are no environmental impacts associated with the product being flooded.



#### Mechanical Destruction

In the event that the product is mechanically destroyed, please revert to disposing the product using standard procedure and and ensure timely replacement.

#### 28. Environmental Activities and Certifications

As has previously been said, Engineered Floors and the J+J Flooring brand consider conservation at the core of sustainability. Preventing excessive or inefficient use of natural resources and the preservation and protection of the environment is the foundation of our environmental stewardship. This is the inspiration for our total environmental efforts which include:

- More than 5 million pounds of waste diverted from landfills since 2016, including recycling 3 million pounds, and sending 710,000 pounds of materials waste to our energy from waste partner.
- Main campus for J+J Flooring has been zero waste to landfill since 2015 and 3rd party certified <u>Zero Waste to Landfill</u> since 2016.
- Increasing the volume of recycled content in our products through the use of post-industrial and pre-consumer
  recycled content, as well as continuing to find innovative options for recycled and recyclable materials is an
  important part of our sustainability journey.
- All J+J Flooring adhesives comply with the Carpet and Rug Institute's <u>Green Label Plus Testing Program</u> for
  Indoor Air Quality. Using scientifically established standards, Green Label Plus ensures that customers are
  purchasing from among the lowest emitting carpet, adhesive and cushion products on the market.
- J+J flooring Nexus Cushion products have achieved a carbon neutral status through the purchasing of carbon offsets.
- Learn more about J&J Flooring Group's Environmental and Energy commitments.

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