# ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION

In accordance with ISO 14025, ISO 21930 and EN 15804+A2 for:

# **FKD-RS**

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EPD owner	Knauf Insulation Sprl Rue de Maestricht 95 4600 Visé (Belgium)
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Product group classification:	UN CPC 37
Reference year for plant data:	2018
Geographical application scope:	Europe

CEN standard EN 15804+A2 serves as the Core Product Category Rules (PCR)
Product category rules (PCR): PCR 2019:14. Construction products (EN 15804+A2) Version 1.2.5 Sub-PCR-005 Thermal insulation products (EN 16783: 2017) Version: 2019-12-20
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# **General information**

# Information about the company

# Description of the organisation:

Knauf Insulation is a leading provider of glass and rock mineral wool, as well as wood wool insulation solutions. With more than 40 years of experience in the insulation industry, it is one of the most respected names in insulation worldwide.

As part of the Knauf Group, a €15.4bn turnover family-owned global manufacturer of building materials and construction systems, Knauf Insulation employs more than 6,000 employees and has 28 manufacturing sites in 15 countries, with a turnover of €2.5bn.

Knauf Insulation's mission is to challenge conventional thinking and create innovative insulation solutions that shape the way we live and build in the future, with care for the people who make them, the people who use them and the world we all depend on. Its vision is to lead the change in smarter insulation solutions for a better world.



The Headquarters are located in Visé, in Belgium.





# Product-related or management system-related certifications:

All Knauf Insulation sites which are covered by EPD process certification system, including the related site for this EPD, are ISO 9001, ISO 14001, ISO 50001 and ISO 45001 certified under the scope "Design, Development and Production of Insulation Materials and Systems".

Knauf Insulation supports the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact on human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption.

# Name and location of production site:

The application in construction of the concerned product is Europe. The data utilized for the production stage life cycle assessment is related to production plants located in Nová Baňa (Slovakia).

Železničný rad 24, 968 01 Nová Baňa-Priemyselný obvod, Slovakia

# **Information about Rock Mineral Wool production**

The rock mineral wool (RMW) products for building construction are available in the form of slabs, boards, lamellas and rolls. RMW slabs are used as a thermal, acoustical and fire insulation product.

In general, the density for rock mineral wool products range from 20 to 200 kg/m³. In terms of composition, the inorganic part (92-98%) is composed of volcanic rocks, typically basalt, and some dolomite and with an increasing proportion of recycled material like slags from steel industry or in the form of briquettes, a mix of stone wool scrap, other secondary materials, and cement.

The remaining fraction is the thermo set resin binder.





# **Product information**

Product name: FKD-RS

<u>Product identification:</u> The declared insulation FKD-RS is a rock mineral wool, uncoated, and unfaced of 1m<sup>2</sup> (considered for this EPD).

For the placing on the construction products market in the European Union/ EFTA (with exception of Switzerland), the Regulation/ (EU) No 305/2011/ applies. The concerned products need Declarations of Performance /DoP R4308JPCPR taking into consideration the harmonized product standard /EN 13162/ and the /CE-mark/.

<u>Product description:</u> The main application for FKD-RS is in contact facade (ETICS).

# **UN CPC code:**

37990: Non-metallic mineral products (including mineral wool, expanded mineral materials, worked mica, articles of mica, non-electrical articles of graphite or other carbon and articles of peat).

<u>Geographical scope:</u> The product is manufactured in Nová Baňa (Slovakia), with their related country energy mix for electricity. Regarding the market area, the product is mainly marketed in Europe.

# Energy:

Residual electricity mix (reference year 2021) and gas inputs (reference year 2019) are taken from Slovakia. 0.226 kg of CO2 is released for 1 kWh of electricity consumption from Slovakia.

# **Technical Characteristics:**

Value					
0.037 W/(mK) at 10°C					
1					
1.08 m <sup>2</sup> K/W					
A1					
95 kg/m³ (+/-10%)					
≥ 1000°C					



# LCA information

# Functional unit / declared unit

The declared unit is 1m<sup>2</sup> of unfaced and uncoated rock mineral wool FKD-RS with a R-value of 1.08 m<sup>2</sup>K/W (for a thickness of 40 mm and a declared lambda of 0.037 W/mK).

Reference service life: The RSL or durability of FKD-RS is as long as the lifetime of the building equipment in which it is used (at least 50 years).

# <u>Time representativeness & Information on</u> Specific Data:

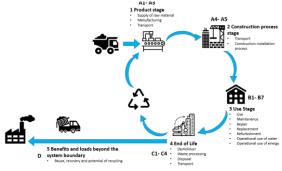
Plant production data for the complete year 2018. The reference product groups considered in this EPD are produced in one single manufacturing plant; therefore, variations issue for sites is not relevant.

The data which is used to carry out the LCA calculations contains >90 % specific data and below 10 % generic data.

# Database(s) and LCA software used:

The LCA model, the data aggregation and environmental impacts are calculated with the software LCA for Experts (GaBi) 10.7 and its content version 2023.1. The impact models used are those indicated in EN 15804:2012+A2:2019.

# System diagram:



# Description of system boundaries:

The system boundary of the EPD follows the modularity approach defined by the EN 15804:2012+A2:2019.

# The type of EPD is cradle-to-grave.

List and explanation of the modules declared in the EPD.

# The product stage (A1-A3) includes:

- A1 raw material extraction and processing, processing of secondary material input (e.g. recycling processes),
- A2 transport to the manufacturer and
- A3 manufacturing.

This includes provision of all materials, products and energy, packaging processing and its transport, as well as waste processing up to the end-of-waste state or disposal of final residues during the product stage.

The LCA results are given in an aggregated form for the product stage, meaning that the modules A1, A2 and A3 are considered as a unique module A1-A3.

Product Parameters	Value
Rock mineral wool weight	291.84 kg
Surface	1m²
Thickness	40 mm
Volume	0.04 m <sup>3</sup>
Packaging Plastic sheet	0.03 kg
Packaging Wooden pallet	0.23 kg

# The construction process stage includes:

- A4 transport to the construction site and
- A5 installation into the building.

The transport to the building site (A4) and installation (A5) included in this LCA use the following parameters:

Parameter	Value					
Average transport distance	600 km					
Type of fuel and vehicle consumption or type of vehicle used for transport.	Truck Euro 6 (28 – 32 t / 22 t payload).					
Truck capacity utilization (including 30% of empty returns)	31.8% of the weight capacity					
Loss of materials in construction site	2%					
Packaging Wooden pallet	40% recycled, 60% incinerated					
Packaging Plastic sheet	40% recycled, 60% incinerated					

The treatment of the packaging waste after the installation of the product (A5) has been considered.



The Use stage (B1-B7) includes:

- B1: Use
- B2: Maintenance
- B3: Repair
- B4: Replacement
- B5: Refurbishment
- B6: Operational Energy Use
- B7: Operational Water Use

Once installation is complete, no actions or technical operations are required during the use stages until the end of life. Therefore, the mineral wool has no impact (excluding potential energy savings) on this stage.

# The end-of-life stage includes:

- C1 de-construction, demolition,
- C2 transport to waste processing,
- C3 waste processing for reuse, recovery and/or recycling and
- C4 disposal.

This includes provision of all transports, materials, products and related energy and water use. The common manual dismantling impact of insulation is considered as very small and can be neglected in C1.

Although rock mineral wool products from Knauf Insulation are partly recycled at their end-of-life, an established collection system does not yet exist. Therefore, the assumption chosen in this study, 100% landfill (C4) after the use phase, is the most conservative approach.

Parameter	Value
Disposal type (mineral wool)	100% landfill
Average transport distance waste (C2)	50 km
Type of fuel and vehicle consumption or type of vehicle used for transport.	Truck-trailer, Euro 6, 34 - 40t gross weight / 27t payload capacity/ 40 L for 100 km. (if 100 % utilization).
Truck capacity utilization	50 % of the weight capacity

**Module D** includes reuse, recovery and/or recycling potentials. According to EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 any declared benefits and loads from net flows leaving the product system not allocated as co-products and having passed the end-of waste state shall be included in module D. Benefits considered in module D originate from packaging recycling or incineration.

# Recycled material

For year 2018, the external recycled waste as raw material is 28% originating (mainly) from slags. The calculation is done following EN 15804+A2 Use of Resources indicator Secondary Material (SM), taking into account the % of secondary materials from external supply input into the batch against virgin raw materials supply. The external waste considerations are also following the ISO 14021 norm.

# Additional information:

All raw materials for the manufacturing of the declared product, the required energy, water consumption and the resulting emissions are considered into the LCA. Consecutively, the recipe components with a share even less than 1% are included. All neglected processes contribute less than 5% to the total mass or less than 5% to the total energy consumption. For information, the impact of the rock mineral wool plant construction or manufacturing equipment is not taken into account in the life cycle assessment.

Materials for fixation and installation are not included into this LCA scope. This may lead to the need of additional construction products or materials for which the impact is not included in this EPD, and which shall be taken into account at building level. Regarding installation this EPD only includes the environmental impact related to the product itself like material losses and packaging end of life.

Knauf Insulation adopts a "worst case" approach into its EPDs.

Conversion factor for this EPD is is a multiplication of the results by 0.26 for 1 kg. In principal, an insulation product should always be characterized by its thickness and an R value, only taking into account the product's weight could lead to wrong interpretation.

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### **Content Declaration**

The product does not contain substances on the "Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorisation" under the REACH regulation (if above 0.1% of the mass).

Product components	Weight %	Pre-consumer material, weight - % (out of total)	Post- costumer % (out of total)	Renewable material, weight- % (out of total)		
Basalt	55 - 60	0	0	0		
Dolomite - Limestone	15 - 20	0	0	0		
Recovered metallurgical slags	5 - 30	100	0	0		
Thermo set resin binder	2 - 5	0	0	0		
Additives	< 1	0	0	0		
Packaging Materials	Weight, kg/ DU or FU		Weight -% (versus the product)			
Wooden Pallet	0.23		6.17			
Polyethylene film	0.03					
TOTAL	0.26		6.96			

# Declared Modules, geography, share of specific data (in GWP-GHG indicator) & data variation

Life cycle stages as defined in the European standard EN 15978 :2011 and the description of the system boundaries for the reference product LCA (X = included in the LCA, MND = module is not declared)

		Product stage Construction process stage				Use stage							End of life stage			
	Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Construction installation	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal
Module	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4
Modules declared	Х	X	Х	Х	Х	Х	X	Х	X	Х	Х	X	X	X	Х	х
Geography	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe
Specific data used		> 90 %														
Variation* - products		NA														
Variation** - Sites		NA														

<sup>\*</sup>Variation regarding the average EPD result in terms of GWP-GHG indicator

<sup>\*\*</sup>Variation regarding the average EPD result in terms of GWP-GHG indicator amongst products covered with this EPD



# **Environmental performance**

Potential environmental impacts: 1m<sup>2</sup> of rock mineral wool FKD-RS with a thickness of 40 mm and the R value of 1.08 m<sup>2</sup>K/W.

The results communicated is representable for all the products mentioned in this EPD.

	ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS											
Parameter	Unit	A1-3***	A4	A5	B1-B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D**		
GWP-fossil	kg CO₂ eq.	4.18E+00	3.49E-01	1.47E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.49E-02	0.00E+00	5.75E-02	-1.13E-01		
GWP-biogenic	kg CO₂ eq.	-3.56E-01	0.00E+00	3.80E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	-4.16E-05	0.00E+00	-7.30E-03	0.00E+00		
GWP-luluc	kg CO₂ eq.	1.52E-03	3.11E-03	1.29E-04	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.32E-04	0.00E+00	1.69E-04	-1.02E-05		
GWP-total	kg CO₂ eq.	3.82E+00	3.57E-01	5.28E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.50E-02	0.00E+00	5.03E-02	-1.13E-01		
ODP	kg CFC 11 eq.	7.99E-12	4.37E-14	2.46E-13	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.86E-15	0.00E+00	2.23E-16	-6.95E-13		
AP	mol H⁺ eq.	4.27E-02	3.72E-04	9.22E-04	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.53E-05	0.00E+00	4.09E-04	-1.99E-04		
EP-freshwater	kg P eq.	4.95E-06	1.23E-06	1.58E-07	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	5.23E-08	0.00E+00	9.65E-08	9.06E-08		
EP-marine	kg N eq.	2.59E-03	1.19E-04	7.13E-05	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	4.79E-06	0.00E+00	1.06E-04	-6.88E-05		
EP-terrestrial	mol N eq.	2.84E-02	1.43E-03	8.31E-04	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	5.76E-05	0.00E+00	1.17E-03	-7.73E-04		
POCP	kg NMVOC eq.	9.78E-03	3.67E-04	2.51E-04	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.48E-05	0.00E+00	3.22E-04	-2.15E-04		
ADP- minerals&metals*	kg Sb eq.	2.39E-07	2.21E-08	6.30E-09	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	9.42E-10	0.00E+00	5.42E-09	-5.85E-09		
ADP-fossil*	MJ	6.30E+01	4.58E+00	1.55E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.95E-01	0.00E+00	7.62E-01	-2.43E+00		
WDP	m <sup>3</sup>	2.51E-01	4.06E-03	3.53E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.73E-04	0.00E+00	6.17E-03	-1.07E-02		
Acronyms	GWP-fossil = Glob change; ODP = D fraction of nutrients Eutrophication pote resources; A	epletion potential or reaching freshwar	of the stratosphe ter end comparti d Exceedance; F	eric ozone layer; / ment; EP-marine POCP = Formatio	AP = Acidification = Eutrophication n potential of trop	potential, Accur potential, fractio ospheric ozone;	mulated Exceed n of nutrients re ADP-minerals&	lance; EP-freshw aching marine e Ametals = Abiotic	rater = Eutrophicand compartment; depletion potenti	ation potential, EP-terrestrial = al for non-fossil		

<sup>\*</sup> Disclaimer: The results of this environmental impact indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties of these results are high or as there is limited experience with the indicator.

<sup>\*\*: [</sup>Life Cycle D stage covers benefits and loads beyond the system boundary stage (reuse, recovery and recycling potential) therefore, when summing up results, this stage should be considered separately].

<sup>\*\*\*:</sup> The indicators results are calculated with a reference product based on equal weight repartition between plants. The indicators results span between the reference product and the 100% sourced product from each dedicated plant may vary more than 10% (concerning A1- A3).



# Potential environmental impact – additional mandatory and voluntary indicators

The results communicated is representable for all the products mentioned in this EPD.

Indicator	Unit	Tot.A1-A3	A4	A5	B1-B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP-GHG [2]	kg CO₂ eq.	4.18E+00	3.50E-01	1.47E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.49E-02	0.00E+00	5.73E-02	-1.13E-01

<sup>[2]</sup> The indicator includes all greenhouse gases included in GWP-total but excludes biogenic carbon dioxide uptake and emissions and biogenic carbon stored in the product. This indicator is thus equal to the GWP indicator originally defined in EN 15804:2012+A1:2013.

Use of resources: 1m<sup>2</sup> of rock mineral wool FKD-RS with a thickness of 40 mm and the R value of 1.08 m<sup>2</sup>K/W.

The results communicated is representable for all the products mentioned in this EPD.

	RESOURCES USE												
Parameter	Unit	A1-3***	A4	A5	B1-B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D*			
PERE	MJ	4.68E+00	3.33E-01	1.62E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.42E-02	0.00E+00	1.03E-01	-2.57E+00			
PERM	MJ	3.52E+00	0.00E+00	7.03E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00			
PERT	MJ	8.20E+00	3.33E-01	2.32E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.42E-02	0.00E+00	1.03E-01	-2.57E+00			
PENRE	MJ	5.89E+01	4.60E+00	1.47E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.96E-01	0.00E+00	7.63E-01	-2.43E+00			
PENRM	MJ	4.09E+00	0.00E+00	8.17E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00			
PENRT	MJ	6.30E+01	4.60E+00	1.55E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.96E-01	0.00E+00	7.63E-01	-2.43E+00			
SM	kg	1.07E+00	0.00E+00	2.15E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00			
RSF	MJ	0.00E+00											
NRSF	MJ	0.00E+00											
FW	m <sup>3</sup>	1.40E-02	3.65E-04	1.02E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.55E-05	0.00E+00	1.88E-04	-4.31E-04			
Acronyms	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 pon-renewable primary energy excluding pon-renewable primary energy.												

re-sources; SM = Use of secondary material; RSF = Use of renewable secondary fuels; NRSF = Use of non-renewable secondary fuels; FW = Use of net fresh water

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Waste production and output flows: 1m² of rock mineral wool FKD-RS with a thickness of 40 mm and the R value of 1.08 m²K/W.

The results communicated is representable for all the products mentioned in this EPD.

	WASTE PRODUCTION AND OUTPUT FLOWS													
Parameter	Unit	A1-3***	A4	A5	B1-B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D*				
Hazardous waste disposed	kg	4.35E-09	1.42E-11	8.59E-11	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	6.05E-13	0.00E+00	8.10E-11	-1.27E-10				
Non-hazardous waste disposed	kg	2.84E-01	7.01E-04	9.57E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.98E-05	0.00E+00	3.80E+00	4.14E-04				
Radioactive waste disposed	kg	2.49E-03	8.60E-06	6.39E-05	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.66E-07	0.00E+00	7.99E-06	-1.26E-04				
Components for re-use	kg	0.00E+00												
Material for recycling	kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.06E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00				
Materials for energy recovery	kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.59E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00				
Exported energy, electricity	MJ	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	4.00E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00				
Exported energy, thermal	MJ	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	7.19E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00				

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Additional impact categories and indicators: 1m<sup>2</sup> of rock mineral wool FKD-RS with a thickness of 40 mm and the R value of 1.08 m<sup>2</sup>K/W.

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ADDITIONAL IMPACT CATEGORIES AND INDICATORS											
Parameter	Unit	A1-3***	A4	A5	B1-B7	C1	C2	СЗ	C4	D*	
PM	Disease Incidence	3.17E-07	2.69E-09	6.90E-09	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.12E-10	0.00E+00	5.08E-09	-3.84E-09	
IRP	kBq U235 eq.	1.81E-01	1.28E-03	5.92E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	5.46E-05	0.00E+00	8.40E-04	-2.09E-02	
ETP- fw	CTUe	1.94E+01	3.25E+00	5.61E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.38E-01	0.00E+00	4.34E-01	-7.69E-01	
HTP-c	CTUh	9.73E-10	6.66E-11	2.68E-11	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.83E-12	0.00E+00	6.41E-11	-2.73E-11	
HTP- nc	CTUh	3.20E-08	3.54E-09	1.15E-09	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.50E-10	0.00E+00	7.07E-09	-7.55E-10	
SQP	dimensionless	5.89E+01	1.91E+00	1.29E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	8.14E-02	0.00E+00	1.54E-01	-1.49E+00	
Acronyms	PM = Particulate matter emissions; IRP= Ionising radiation, human health; ETP-fw: Ecotoxicity (freshwater); ETP-c: Human toxicity, cancer effects; HTP-nc: Human toxicity, non-cancer effects; SQP: Land use related impacts / soil quality										

# Information on biogenic carbon content

Results per functional or declared unit						
BIOGENIC CARBON CONTENT	Unit	QUANTITY				
Biogenic carbon content in product	kg C	0.00E+00				
Biogenic carbon content in packaging	kg C	1.17E-01				

Note: 1 kg biogenic carbon is equivalent to 44/12 kg CO<sub>2</sub>.

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<sup>\*\*\*:</sup> The indicators results are calculated with a reference product based on equal weight repartition between plants. The indicators results span between the reference product and the 100% sourced product from each dedicated plant may vary more than 10% (concerning A1- A3).



# **LCA** interpretation

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

All impact categories, except the Abiotic Depletion Potential Element and the Ozone Depletion Potential, are dominated by the manufacturing processes. This can be explained by the huge impact of the energy use (electricity, natural gas and coke) for rock mineral wool production.

The Global Warming Potential (GWP-total) is dominated by the manufacturing in the cupola, mostly due to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from raw materials and energy consumption.

The Depletion Potential of the Stratospheric Ozone layer (ODP) is mostly influenced by the manufacturing phase (module A1-A3) and significantly influenced using electricity.

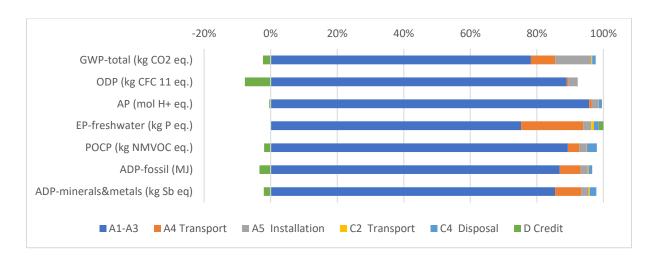
The Acidification Potential (AP) is also dominated by the manufacturing due to the emissions related to the processes and the energy consumption.

The Eutrophication Potential Fresh Water (all EP indicators in total) is significantly influenced by the manufacturing due to emissions from cupola furnace, curing oven and other unit processes.

The Formation Potential of Tropospheric Ozone (POCP) is particularly dominated by the manufacturing (emissions in the cupola furnace and other unit processes).

The Abiotic Depletion Potential for Non-Fossil Resources (ADP- minerals &metals) impact mainly comes from the manufacturing of the product.

The Abiotic Depletion Potential for Fossil Resources Potential (ADP-fossil) is dominated by the use of coke as energy carrier. Next to the coke, we have also the impact of natural gas and upstream the electricity energy mix.





# **RESOURCES USE**

**Total Use of Non-Renewable Primary Energy Resources (PENRT)** is dominated by the manufacturing of rock mineral wool products (especially due to the energy carrier, coke).

**Total Use of Renewable Primary Energy Resources (PERT)** is dominated by the manufacturing, mostly due to electricity consumption and packaging.

For the Use of Secondary Material (SM), it consists of slags.



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# 2023\_08\_15 FKD RS - NB (I-report)

I-report is an interactive report created with GaBi based on the scenario. More details on the product characteristics, plant allocation and scenario can be found in the i-report.

# BR\_RMW\_2022 (Background Report)

Calculation rules for the Life Cycle Assessment and Requirements and more details about the production on the Background Report.







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