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# GENERAL INFORMATION

## EPD OWNER

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## YEAR OF REPORTED PRIMARY DATA

2022

## MARKET APPLICABILITY

Sweden

## CPC CODE

46940 - Electrical insulators, except of glass or ceramics

## APPLICATION FIELD

Electric power transmission and distribution

## REFERENCE PCR - PROJECT DOCUMENTS

EPDITALY007 (core PCR, rev3 13/01/2023) and EPDItaly 010, rev 0 16/03/2020

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EN 50693:2019 Product category rules for life cycle assessments of electronic and electrical products and systems (2019/08/30)

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# THE COMPANY

As a privately owned family business with its head quarters in Weiz (Austria) and manufacturing bases in Austria, Slovakia, Bosnia, Germany, Great Britain, Spain, India, Switzerland and Thailand as well as global distribution centers, KNILL Energy possess a widespread company network. The roots of the group go back to 1712 and is now managed by the 12th generation of the Knill Family. With a global footprint the group employs more than 2000 people world wide. As a leading designer, manufacturer and supplier of Railway Catenary Systems, Mosdorfer Rail production facilities are located in Spain, Great Britain and India.

## RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY OVERHEAD LINES

Reliable and maintenance-free infrastructure provides the basis for trouble free operation of electric railways for local and long-distance travel. Rail traffic is steadily increasing around the world. This places new demands on railway lines both on existing routes as they expand and on newly built lines. Mosdorfer Rail is a full-service provider offering innovative and sustainable solutions for electric railways and tramways. We maintain a consistent focus on the reliability of the overhead contact system and high track availability.

## TENSOREX C+ SPRING TENSIONING DEVICE

### Patented Spring Automatic Tensioning Device for Railway and Tramway Overhead Contact Lines

The overhead contact lines of railways and tramways are exposed to variation in temperature both from the day/night cycle and in the course of seasonal changes. This makes it necessary to constantly and reliably compensate for the resulting expansion and contraction of the contact wire in order to guarantee efficient train services. As a full-service provider in the field of rail infrastructure, Mosdorfer Rail has an innovative solution that is clearly superior to conventional weight-based tensioning systems the TENSOREX C+.

## RAILWAY CATENARY SYSTEMS

Better capacity utilisation of railway lines, denser intervals between trains and higher speeds mean that stresses and strains on overhead lines are constantly increasing. Mosdorfer Rail offers overhead contact solutions and an extensive range of:

- Cantilevers
- Connectors
- Suspension clamps
- Catenary laser measuring device

## INSULATION TECHNOLOGY

Insulators are a key component in all energy networks including on electrical overhead lines and in distribution stations. Mainly porcelain or composite insulators are used in railway engineering.

There is no functional difference between the two types of material but silicone is advantageous depending on the application.

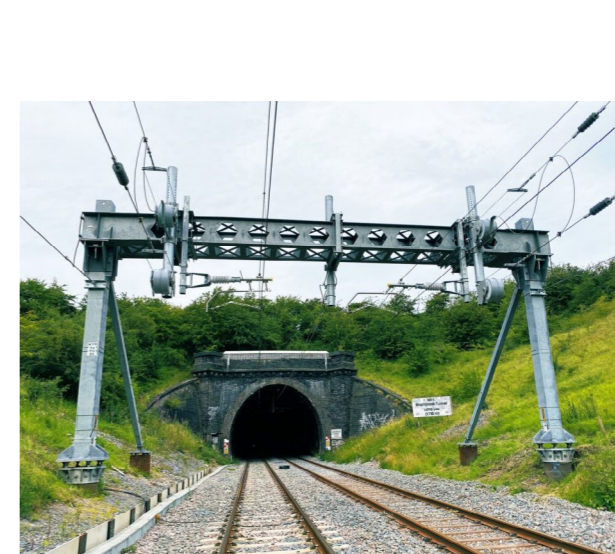
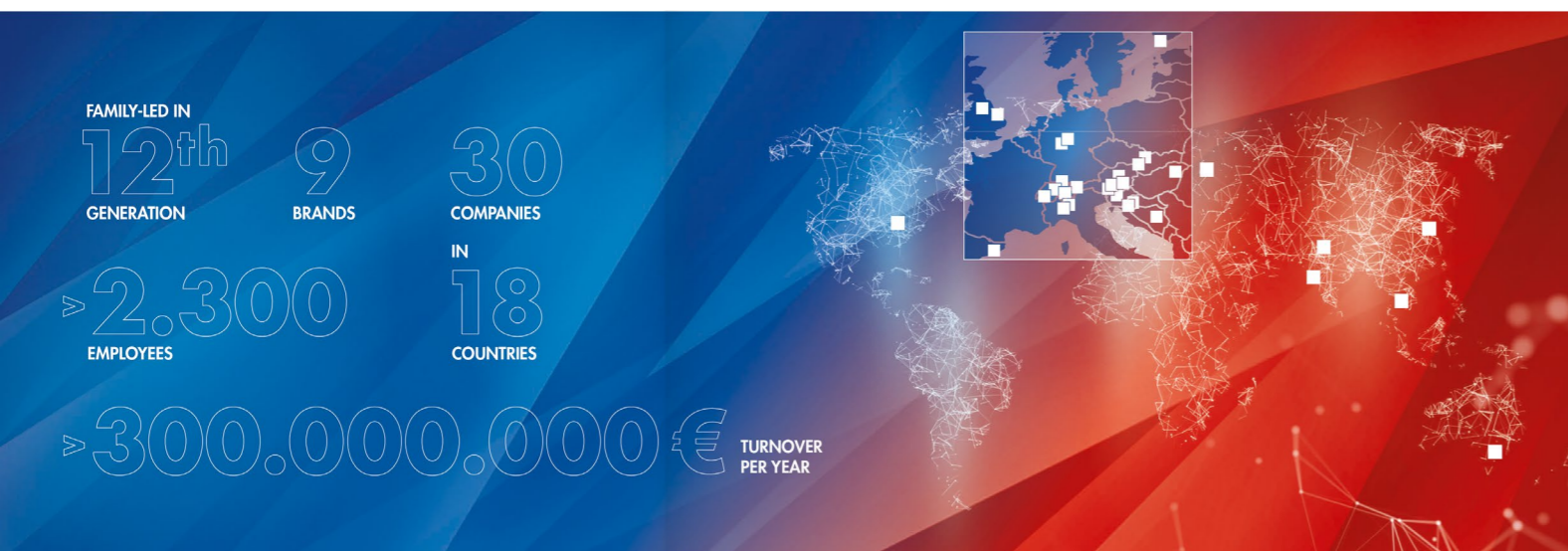
Mosdorfer Rail can look back on long experience in the manufacture of insulators.

## SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Safety equipment is one of the most sensitive aspects of railway electrification.

Reliable products, ease of use and operational safety are therefore essential. Mosdorfer Rail offers a complete range of voltage detectors, earthing and short-circuiting devices, as well as earthing and operating poles, which can be exactly matched to any requirements thanks to our modular system design.

Our safety equipment represents the highest international standards of quality, safety and reliability.



# SCOPE AND TYPE OF EPD

The approach used in this EPD is “Cradle to grave”, according to reference PCR

## TABLE OF MODULES

MANUFACTURING STAGE		DISTRIBUTION STAGE	INSTALLATION STAGE	USE AND MAINTENANCE STAGE	END-OF-LIFE STAGE DE-INSTALLATION
UPSTREAM MODULE	CORE MODULE		DOWNSTREAM MODULE		

## TYPE OF EPD

Product specific EPD related to Cantilever insulator 210/900 42 Pipe &19 Tongue 12kN

## SOFTWARE

SimaPro ver. 9.5.0.0 (www.pre.nl)

## MAIN DATABASE

Ecoinvent 3.8

## REPORT LCA

Report LCA\_Mosdorfer

## GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE OF THE EPD

Sweden

## REFERENCE YEAR

2022

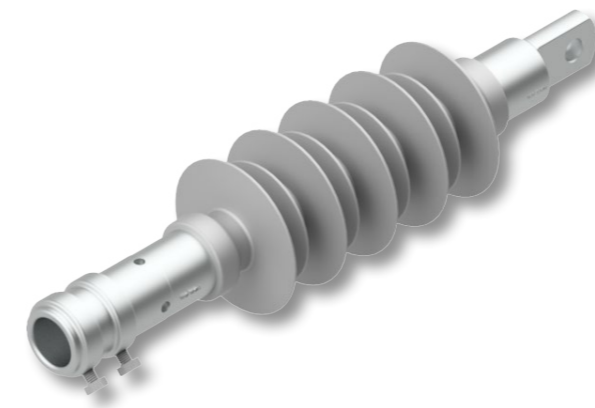
## DECLARED UNIT

The declared unit used is a single piece of equipment (5.88 kg overall weight), operating for 20 years

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# THE PRODUCT

## 15kV AC CANTILEVER INSULATOR



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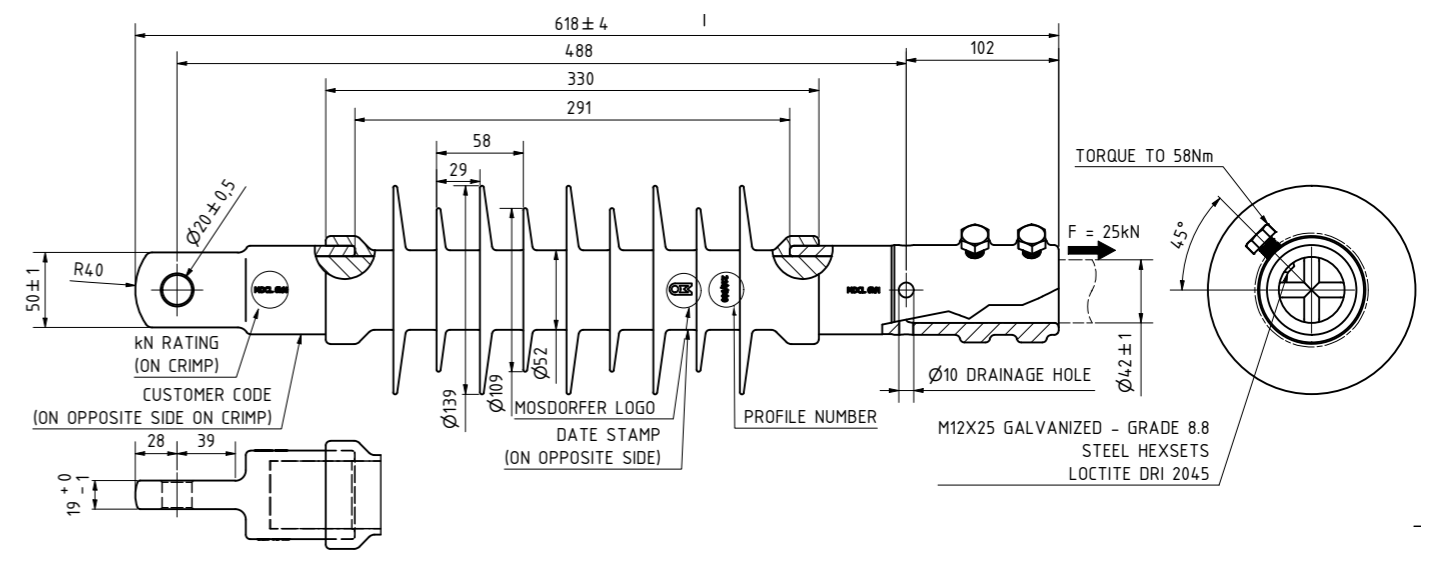
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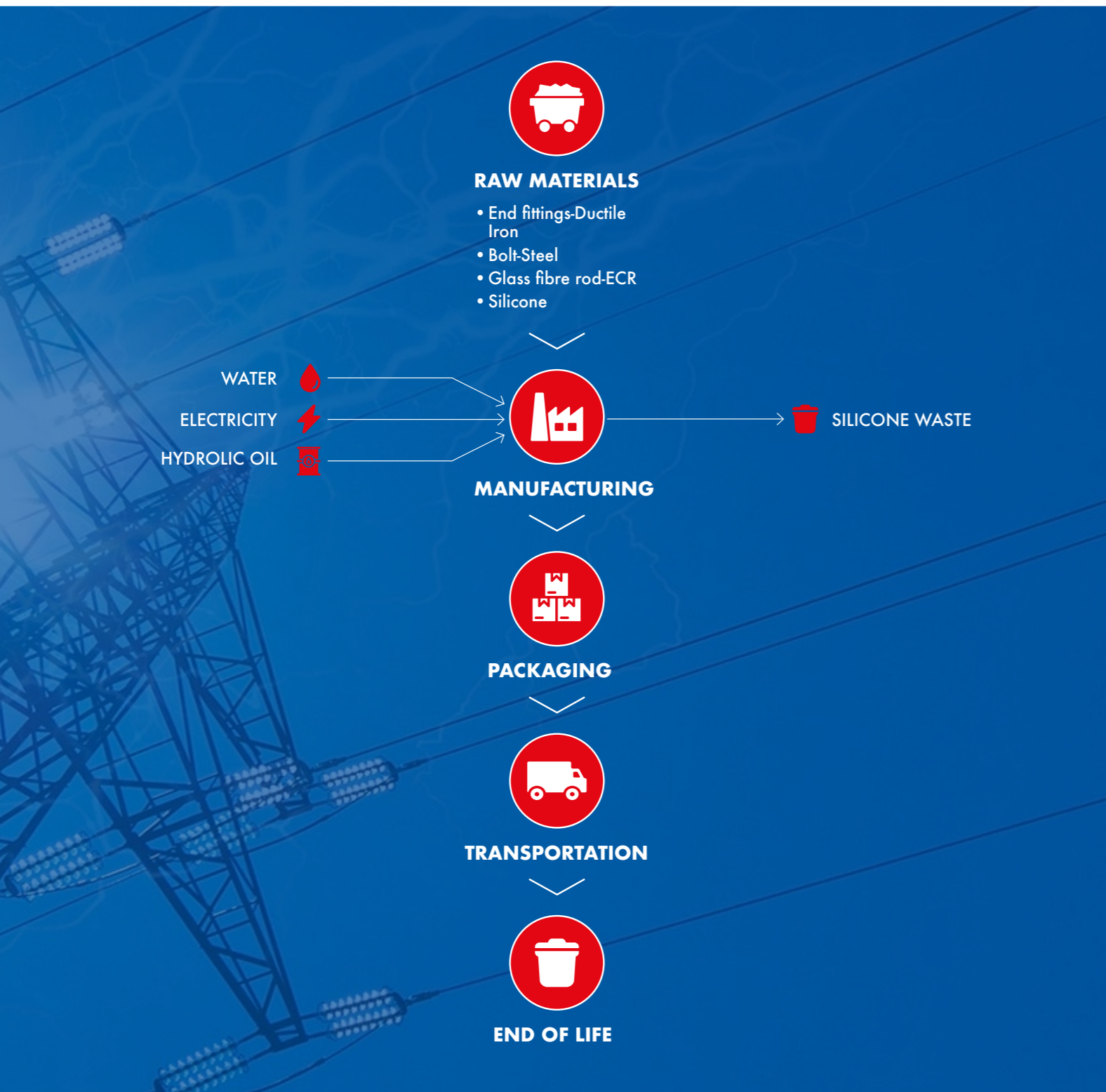
Composite insulators, specifically those manufactured with high temperature vulcanising (HTV) silicone offer significant advantages over porcelain and glass insulators.

Superior hydrophobicity, excellent tracking & erosion resistance and the ability to transfer their intrinsic properties through the pollution layer ensures longterm performance.

Furthermore superior tracking and erosion resistance ensures minimised leakage currents and risk of neucance flashovers, especialy in highly polluted environments



# THE PROCESS



# CALCULATION RULES

This declaration is a cradle to grave 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.

Electronic equipment production processes were described by using specific data from manufacturing facility. 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 to Transport and Manufacturing.

According to ISO 14040 and 14044, allocation is avoided whenever possible by dividing the system into sub-systems; in this EPD, mass allocation was adopted to allocate annual manufacturing data to the investigated product based on the relative share of the EPD target product on total production.

Data quality has been assessed and validated during data collection process. No cutoff has been performed on product Bill of Materials (BOM) besides packaging of semifinished products and components bought by the company from suppliers (due to the combination of low relevance on the final results and high difficulty of data collection). Use phase scenario is modelled considering 20 years of Reference Service Life (PCR-based scenario); according to reference PCR, no energy losses are reported in this module.

The “modularity” and “polluter pays” principles apply.

# CONTENT DECLARATION

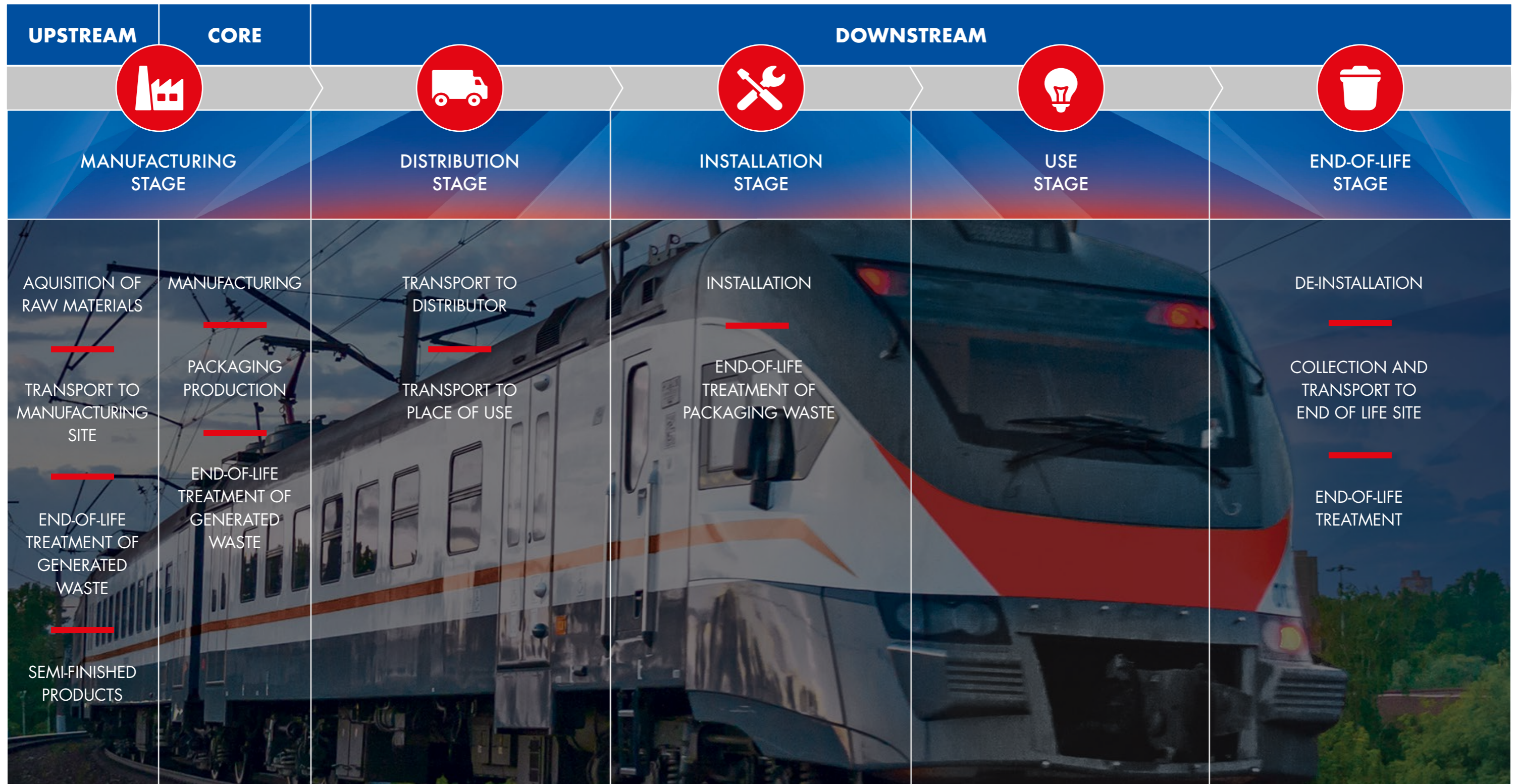
Product covered by this EPD does not contain any substance of very high concern

MATERIAL	MASS SHARE %	IEC62474 code (where applicable)
OTHER FERROUS ALLOYS, NON-STAINLESS STEELS	57	M-119
GLASS	26	M-161
SILICONE	17	M-321

# SYSTEM BOUNDARIES

After the manufacturing phase, this product is shipped from CTC factory to the final costume located in Sweden, the final product has the packaging material that can be considered as an installation stage and since the installation is done manually,

there might be no machinery work and additional emissions in this phase. The final scenario for this product is De-installation, transportation to the treatment site which is considered 5 km in Sweden, and the process of non-hazardous recycling with recovery.



# ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

### 15kV AC CANTILEVER INSULATOR

IMPACT CATEGORY	UNITS / D.U.	UPSTREAM	CORE	DOWNSTREAM				TOTAL
		MANUFACTURING	DISTRIBUTION	INSTALLATION	USE & MAINTENANCE	END-OF-LIFE		
<b>GWP-fossil</b>	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	2,93E+01	2,33E+00	1,54E+00	1,78E-03	0,00E+00	3,44E+00	<b>3,66E+01</b>
<b>GWP-biogenic</b>	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	2,89E-05	-1,14E+00	7,58E-05	1,14E+00	0,00E+00	1,96E-04	<b>3,01E-04</b>
<b>GWP-luluc</b>	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	2,17E-02	6,24E-05	5,07E-05	6,70E-08	0,00E+00	2,44E-07	<b>2,18E-02</b>
<b>GWP total</b>	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	2,93E+01	1,19E+00	1,54E+00	1,14E+00	0,00E+00	3,44E+00	<b>3,66E+01</b>
<b>ODP</b>	kg CFC-11 eq	1,51E-06	2,84E-09	2,35E-08	2,46E-11	0,00E+00	3,65E-09	<b>1,54E-06</b>
<b>AP</b>	mol H+ eq	1,70E-01	1,64E-02	4,54E-02	7,27E-06	0,00E+00	7,72E-04	<b>2,33E-01</b>
<b>EP-freshwater</b>	kg P eq	1,09E-03	4,92E-05	1,17E-06	4,67E-09	0,00E+00	6,69E-07	<b>1,14E-03</b>
<b>EP-marine*</b>	kg N eq	3,44E-02	2,57E-03	1,14E-02	2,92E-06	0,00E+00	3,73E-04	<b>4,88E-02</b>
<b>EP-terrestrial*</b>	mol N eq	2,83E-01	2,83E-02	1,26E-01	3,15E-05	0,00E+00	3,83E-03	<b>4,41E-01</b>
<b>POCP</b>	kg NMVOC eq	1,05E-01	7,70E-03	3,35E-02	1,04E-05	0,00E+00	9,66E-04	<b>1,47E-01</b>
<b>ADP-min&amp;met</b>	kg Sb eq	6,40E-04	7,56E-08	2,00E-08	1,00E-10	0,00E+00	4,82E-08	<b>6,40E-04</b>
<b>ADP-fossil</b>	MJ	3,91E+02	2,30E+01	1,91E+01	2,33E-02	0,00E+00	6,97E-01	<b>4,34E+02</b>
<b>WDP</b>	m <sup>3</sup> eq	1,79E+01	2,55E-01	1,70E-02	2,47E-05	0,00E+00	1,53E-01	<b>1,84E+01</b>

## INDICATORS

**GWP, fossil** Global Warming Potential, fossil fuel  
**GWP, biogenic** Global Warming Potential, biogenic  
**GWP, luluc** Global Warming Potential, land use & land use change  
**GWP, total** Global Warming Potential, total  
**ODP** Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer  
**Ap** Acidification potential, Accumulated Exceedance  
**EP, freshwater** Eutrophication Potential, fraction of nutrients reaching freshwater end compartment  
**EP, marine** Eutrophication Potential, fraction of nutrients reaching marine end compartment

**EP, terrestrial** Eutrophication Potential, Accumulated Exceedance  
**POCP** Formation potential of tropospheric ozone  
**ADP-min&met** Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources  
**ADP-fossil** Abiotic depletion for fossil resources potential  
**WDP** Water (user) deprivation potential, deprivation-weighted water consumption  
 \*: This marker identifies optional environmental KPIs which are not mandatory according to reference PCR

# ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

## USE OF RESOURCES

### 15kV AC CANTILEVER INSULATOR

IMPACT CATEGORY	UNITS / D.U.	UPSTREAM	CORE	DOWNSTREAM				TOTAL
		MANUFACTURING	DISTRIBUTION	INSTALLATION	USE & MAINTENANCE	END-OF-LIFE		
<b>PERE</b>	MJ	3,27E+01	5,02E+00	3,26E-02	4,88E-05	0,00E+00	2,00E-02	<b>3,78E+01</b>
<b>PERM</b>	MJ	9,30E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>9,30E+00</b>
<b>PERT</b>	MJ	4,20E+01	5,02E+00	3,26E-02	4,88E-05	0,00E+00	2,00E-02	<b>4,71E+01</b>
<b>PENRE</b>	MJ	4,26E+02	3,33E+01	1,93E+01	2,39E-02	0,00E+00	7,89E-01	<b>4,79E+02</b>
<b>PENRM</b>	MJ	4,82E+01	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>4,82E+01</b>
<b>PENRT</b>	MJ	4,74E+02	3,33E+01	1,93E+01	2,39E-02	0,00E+00	7,89E-01	<b>5,28E+02</b>
<b>SM</b>	kg	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>0,00E+00</b>
<b>RSF</b>	MJ	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>0,00E+00</b>
<b>NRSF</b>	MJ	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>0,00E+00</b>
<b>FW</b>	m <sup>3</sup>	4,53E-01	1,05E-02	7,29E-04	1,04E-06	0,00E+00	4,85E-03	<b>4,69E-01</b>

## INDICATORS

**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 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

# ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

## OUTPUT FLOWS AND WASTE PRODUCTION

### 15kV AC CANTILEVER INSULATOR

IMPACT CATEGORY	UNITS / D.U.	UPSTREAM	CORE	DOWNSTREAM				TOTAL
		MANUFACTURING	DISTRIBUTION	INSTALLATION	USE & MAINTENANCE	END-OF-LIFE		
HWD	kg	1,06E-03	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>1,06E-03</b>
NHWD	kg	2,63E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,36E-01	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>2,77E+00</b>
RWD	kg	2,68E-04	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>2,68E-04</b>
CRU	kg	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>0,00E+00</b>
MFR	kg	0,00E+00	2,87E-02	0,00E+00	4,84E-01	0,00E+00	4,13E+00	<b>4,65E+00</b>
MER	kg	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,45E+00	<b>1,45E+00</b>
EEE	MJ	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>0,00E+00</b>
ETE	MJ	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	<b>0,00E+00</b>

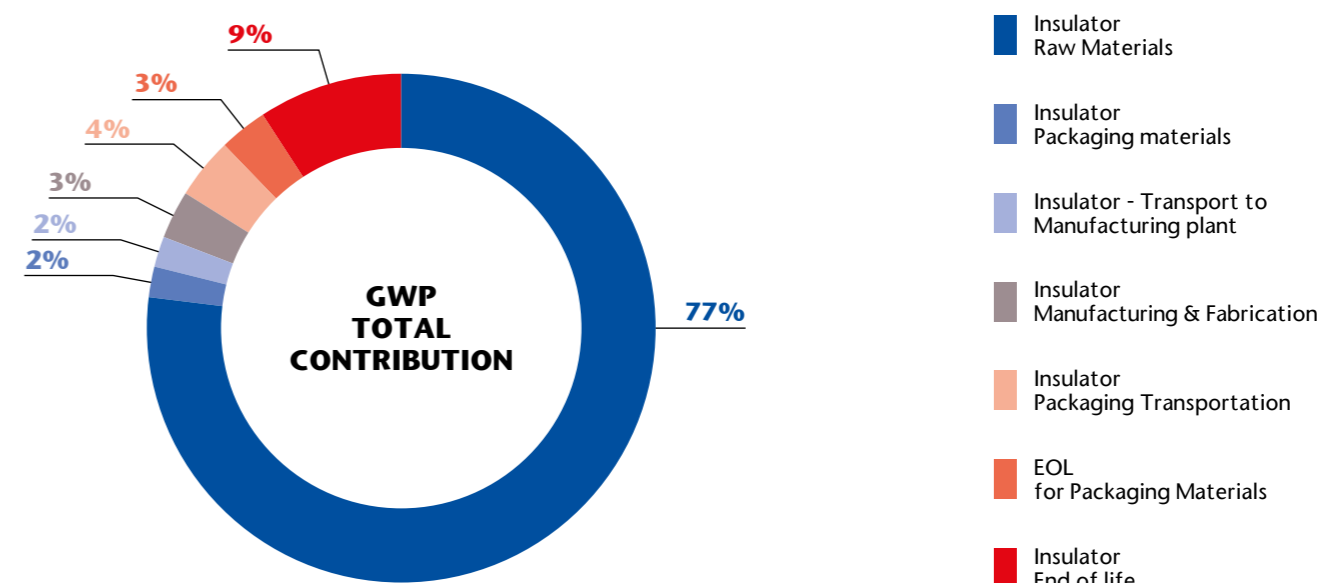
## INDICATORS

- HWD** Hazardous landfill waste
- NHWD** Non-hazardous waste disposed
- RWD** Radioactive waste disposed
- CRU** Components for reuse
- MFR** Material for recycling
- MER** Materials for energy recovery
- EEE** Exported electricity energy
- ETE** Exported thermal energy

# ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

The main driver in terms of Carbon Footprint environmental impact is represented by the phase of raw materials; end-fitting, silicone, fiber glass, and steel bolt show high climate change impact which sum is around 77% of the total life cycle impact. The production of end-fitting in particular is associated with high impacts due to the production and processing of cast iron.

End of life shows a 9% contribution in terms of Climate Change, mainly due to the fraction of product going to incineration; this is the second largest share of impact along insulator life cycle after raw material supply. Impacts of distribution and manufacturing phase both present 4% share in carbon dioxide emissions. Between all life cycle phases the transportation of raw materials has the lowest contribution, which is around 2% of total life cycle Carbon Footprint.



In A3 (CORE MODULE) the energy source underlying the electricity used in the manufacturing process and its climate impact is 0.184 kg CO<sub>2</sub> eq./kWh





# REFERENCES

This declaration has been produced using the following reference norms:

- EPDItaly Programme Rules - REV. 6 – 30/10/2023
- PCR EPDItaly 007 - REV. 3 13/01/2023: Electronic and electrical products and systems
- PCR EPDItaly 010 - REV. 0 16/03/2020: Insulators
- EN 50693:2019 – 08/30/2019: Product category rules for life cycle assessments of electronic and electrical products and systems
- UNI EN ISO 14040:2021 Environmental management - Life cycle assessment - Principles and framework
- UNI EN ISO 14044:2021 Environmental management - Life cycle assessment - Requirements and guidelines
- UNI EN ISO 14025:2010, Environmental labels and declarations – Type III environmental declarations – Principles and procedures
- Report LCA\_Mosdorfer\_20240426 - 26/04/2024





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