Hydraulic binder TEFRA 15

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Basic information
This declaration is the type III Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) based on EN 15804 and verified according to ISO 14025 by an external auditor. It contains the information on the impacts of the declared construction materials on the environment. Their aspects were verified by the independent body according to ISO 14025. Basically, a comparison or evaluation of EPD data is possible only if all the compared data were created according to EN 15804 (see point 5.3 of the standard).

Life cycle analysis (LCA): A1-A3 modules in accordance with EN 15804 (Cradle to Gate)
The year of preparing the EPD: 2017
Declared durability: Under normal conditions, hydraulic binder has reference service life (RSL) up to 30 years
PCR: PCR A (PCR based on EN 15804)
Declared unit: 1 tone of the declared product TEFRA 15
Reasons for performing LCA: B2B
Representativeness: Polish product
Manufacturer and Product Information

EKOTECH Inżynieria Popiołów Sp. z o.o. produces and trades building materials such as road binders/adhesives, various road surfaces mixtures and fly ash aggregates for concrete.

TEFRA 15 is a hydraulic binder based on limestone fly ash. The product is dedicated for improvement of soil substrates, especially the cohesive soils serving as a reinforced base of a road and/or an embankment. The product is commercially available in form of grey and brown powders. The bulk density, tapped density and density of TEFRA 15 equals to 1,3 g/cm³, 1,6 g/cm³ and 2,64 g/cm³, respectively.

The addition of TEFRA 15 influences on:

- load capacity of the cohesive soils,
- land compaction,
- workability of the lands,
- serviceableness of the lands to stabilization with other binders.

Moreover, in case of humid lands TEFRA 15 products:

- replaces lime for drying and stabilization,
- causes an increase in load capacity of cohesive soil,
- changes the structure of the land.

Depending on the type of soil, moisture content and the additional binders, the load generated on an improved stabilized TEFRA 15 substrate binder ranges from 60 to 150 MPa. The properties of the TEFRA 15 product are listed in Table 1.

### Table 1: The properties of the TEFRA 15 product.

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<th>Features</th>
<th>Properties</th>
<th>Research methods</th>
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<td>1.</td>
<td>Composition of the grains</td>
<td>90μm ≤ 30% masy</td>
<td>PN-EN 933-10</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Stability of the volume</td>
<td>≤ 10 mm</td>
<td>PN-EN 196-3</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Content of the reactive calcium oxide</td>
<td>≥ 5%</td>
<td>PN-EN 197-1</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>Content of the water</td>
<td>&lt; 1%</td>
<td>PN-EN 14227-4</td>
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<td>5.</td>
<td>Hydraulic activity</td>
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<td>PN-EN 197-1 Pkt. 5.2.4.3 The development of the strength after 7, 28 and 90 days</td>
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LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT (LCA) – general rules applied

Allocation

The allocation rules used for this EPD are based on general ITB-PCR A and PN-EN 14227-3:2013-10. Hydraulic binder TEFRA 15 is produced in a linear process at the plant located in Konin (Poland). The allocation was based on product mass basis.

All impacts from raw materials extraction are allocated in A1 module of EPD. 100% 100% environmental impacts from the production line were analyzed and allocated to the production of hydraulic binders - TEFRA 15. Municipal waste and sewage from the whole plant were allocated to module A3. Electricity was inventoried for the whole production process. Emissions in EKOTECH Inżynieria Procesów Sp. z o. o are not measured, because this type of production is not obliged to measure these indicators, hence emission impacts come from energy carrier characterization factors, and are presented in A3 module. The allocation of the products produced at the plant is allocated to the allocation of mass. The principles of economic allocation in accordance with EN 15804 apply to the allocation of ash inputs used in production and electricity.

System limits

The life cycle analysis of the declared products covers "Product Stage", A1-A3 modules (Cradle to Gate) in accordance with EN 15804+A1 and ITB-PCR A document. The details of systems limits are provided in product technical report. All materials and energy consumption inventoried in factory were included in calculation. Office impacts were also taken into consideration. In the assessment, all significant parameters from gathered production data are considered, i.e. all material used per formulation, utilised thermal energy, internal fuel and electric power consumption, direct production waste. It can be assumed that the total sum of omitted processes does not exceed 1% of all impact categories. In accordance with EN 15804, machines and facilities (capital goods) required for and during production are excluded, as is transportation of employees.

A1 and A2 Modules: Raw materials supply and transport

Raw materials for the hydraulic binder TEFRA 15 production come from local suppliers, Zespół Elektrowni Pańtów - Adamów - Konin SA. The raw material is fly ash (waste from the generation of electricity), which is the main product of hydraulic binder TEFRA 15. Data on transport of the different products to the manufacturing plants is collected and modelled for factory by assessor. Means of transport include conveyors to mixers and tanks.

A3: Production

The Fig. 2 shows the production process of TEFRA 15 in the factory in Konin. The raw materials in the form of fly ashes are captured on electrofilters and are transferred via pipelines to tanks. In the next step, fly ashes fulfilling the applicable standards are selected and are passed to the tanks A or B for storage. Then, TEFRA 15 is verified in accordance with the internal
standards (ZKP), prepared for shipping and sent to a client. The implementation of the TEFRA 15 product takes place on the construction site.

Data collection period
The data for manufacture of the declared products refer to period between January–December 2015. The life cycle assessments were prepared for Poland as reference area.

Data quality
The values determined to calculate the LCA originate from verified EKOTECH Inżynieria Popiołów Sp. z o. o. inventory data and specific data calculated for energetic and non-energetic products (Zespół Elektrowni Pątnów-Adamów-Konin).

Assumptions and estimates
The impacts of the representative TEFRA 15 were aggregated using weighted average.

Calculation rules
LCA was done in accordance with PCR A document.

Databases
The data for the processes come from the following sources: Ecoinvent, ITB-Data. Specific data quality analysis was a part of external ISO 14001 audit. Characterization factors are CML ver. 4.2 based on EN 15804:2013+A1 version. (PN EN 15804+A1:2014-04).

LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT (LCA) - Results
Declared unit
The declaration refers to functional unit (FU) - 1 tone of hydraulic binder TEFRA 15

Table 2. System boundaries for environmental characteristic for hydraulic binder TEFRA 15

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### Environmental impacts: (FU) 1 tone

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<td>Global warming potential</td>
<td>[kg CO₂ eq. (100 years)]</td>
<td>44,12</td>
<td>78,10</td>
<td>35,87</td>
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<td>Acidification potential of soil and water</td>
<td>[kg SO₂ eq.]</td>
<td>5,43E-02</td>
<td>5,70E-01</td>
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<td>[kg Ethylene eq.]</td>
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<td>Eutrophication potential</td>
<td>[kg (PO₄)₃ eq.]</td>
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<td>Abiotic depletion potential (ADP-elements) for non-fossil resources</td>
<td>[kg Sb eq.]</td>
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<td>[dm³]</td>
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### Other environmental information describing waste categories: (FU) 1 tone

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<td>Non-hazardous waste disposed</td>
<td>[kg]</td>
<td>5,47E-05</td>
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<td>Radioactive waste disposed</td>
<td>[kg]</td>
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<td>Components for re-use</td>
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<td>5,23E-03</td>
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<td>Materials for recycling</td>
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Verification

The process of verification of this EPD is in accordance with EN ISO 14025 and ISO 21930. After verification, this EPD is valid for a 5-year-period. EPD does not have to be recalculated after 5 years, if the underlying data have not changed significantly.

The basis for LCA analysis was EN 15804 and ITB PCR A

Independent verification corresponding to ISO 14025 & 8.3.1.

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Normative references

- ITB PCR A- General Product Category Rules for Construction Products
- EN 15860 - Plastics. Thermoplastic semi-finished products for machining. Requirements and test methods,
- EN ISO 9054:2001 - Cellular plastics, rigid - Test methods for self-skinned, high-density materials
- ISO 14025:2006, Environmental management – Type III environmental declarations – Principles and procedure
- EN15942:2011, Sustainability of construction- Environmental product declarations. Communication format business-to-business
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confirms the correctness of the data included in the development of
Type III Environmental Declaration and accordance with the requirements of the standard


Sustainability of construction works.
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This certificate, issued for the first time on 9th February 2017 is valid for 5 years
or until amendment of mentioned Environmental Declaration

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