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PREMIUM MODULAR BACKING SYSTEM



EcoFlex Matrix

Mohawk Group continues its dedication to sustainable solutions with EcoFlex™ M; the next generation in carpet tile backing.

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Sustainability is a core value for Mohawk. In addition to being the largest flooring manufacturer in the world, Mohawk is unique among other flooring manufacturers in that we produce every component of the carpet: fiber, yarn, carpet cushion, and carpet backing. Our culture drives us to seek innovation and efficiency throughout the life cycle of our products, thus reducing our consumption of water, energy, and raw materials. Mohawk also has the most diverse recycling programs in the industry. Through our nationwide network of partners, we recycle post-consumer carpet and fiber which is subsequently repurposed in the manufacture of other products. Additionally, Mohawk is the nation's largest recycler of plastic bottles which are processed and spun into carpet and backing at our own facilities. Through third-party verification, Mohawk embraces transparency for the benefit of both itself and its customer.

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EPD PROGRAM AND PROGRAM OPERATOR NAME, ADDRESS, LOGO, AND WEBSITE	UL Solutions 333 Pfingsten Rd, Northbrook IL, 60062 www.ul.com www.spot.ul.com
GENERAL PROGRAM INSTRUCTIONS AND VERSION NUMBER	Program Operator Rules v 2.7 2022
MANUFACTURER NAME AND ADDRESS	Mohawk Industries, Inc. 160 Industrial Blvd., Calhoun, GA 30701
DECLARATION NUMBER	4791449583.102.2
DECLARED PRODUCT & FUNCTIONAL UNIT OR DECLARED UNIT	EcoFlex™ Matrix Functional Unit = 1 m ²
REFERENCE PCR AND VERSION NUMBER	PCR for Building-Related Products and Services – Part A: Calculation Rules for LCA and Requirements, (UL Environment, V.4 2022), Part B: Flooring EPD Requirements UL 10010-7 v2.0 September 2018
DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT APPLICATION/USE	Modular Carpet Tiles Floor Covering
PRODUCT RSL DESCRIPTION (IF APPL.)	15 Years
MARKETS OF APPLICABILITY	Global
DATE OF ISSUE	August 21, 2024
PERIOD OF VALIDITY	5 Years
EPD TYPE	Product-specific
RANGE OF DATASET VARIABILITY	N/A
EPD SCOPE	Cradle to Grave
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LCI DATABASE(S) & VERSION NUMBER	GaBi 2021 LCI Database
LCIA METHODOLOGY & VERSION NUMBER	CML 2001, April 2013 and TRACI 2.1

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LIMITATIONS

Exclusions: EPDs do not indicate that any environmental or social performance benchmarks are met, and there may be impacts that they do not encompass. LCAs do not typically address the site-specific environmental impacts of raw material extraction, nor are they meant to assess human health toxicity. EPDs can complement but cannot replace tools and certifications that are designed to address these impacts and/or set performance thresholds – e.g. Type 1 certifications, health assessments and declarations, environmental impact assessments, etc.

Accuracy of Results: EPDs regularly rely on estimations of impacts; the level of accuracy in estimation of effect differs for any particular product line and reported impact.

Comparability: EPDs from different programs may not be comparable. Full conformance with a PCR 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.

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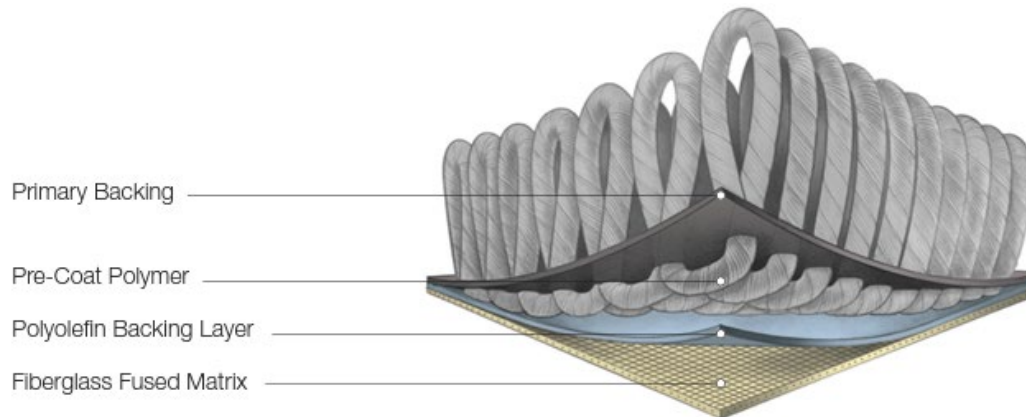
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1. Product Definition and Information

1.1. Description of Company/Organization

Mohawk is a leading manufacturer of carpet, wood, laminate, and luxury vinyl tile flooring that began in 1878. Mohawk is committed to growing in ways that are environmentally sound, socially responsible, and make sense for their stakeholders. The Mohawk Group strives to design and manufacture innovative products with reduced environmental and social impacts. As part of the world's largest flooring manufacturer, Mohawk feels a profound sense of responsibility to advance their shared mission of a more sustainable future.

1.2. Product Description



Product Identification

EcoFlex™ Matrix is a modular carpet tile consisting of a nylon face fiber tufted into a primary backing; pre-coated with an acrylate polymer to lock the tufts into place; back coated with polyolefin polymer and fiberglass scrim for stability.

EcoFlex Matrix is the next generation of Mohawk's carpet tile backing. Using advanced materials and patent-pending engineering, EcoFlex Matrix lowers environmental impact without sacrificing performance. EcoFlex Matrix simplifies floor preparation and installation, greatly reduces sub-floor moisture concerns, and is easier to ship and handle.

As of 2022, all Mohawk Group flooring products will be carbon neutral plus an additional 5%. EcoFlex Matrix meets Mohawk Group's commitment to Beyond Carbon Neutral.

This study covers all products and styles with nylon face fiber on EcoFlex Matrix backing. Due to a range of face weights offered with this product, an average face weight of 15 oz/yd² (509 g/m²) was used, which is the average of the annual sales. Unless noted in the report, the average face weight is presented for the impacts.

Product Specification

This product is covered by UNSPSC code 30161700 and CSI Masterformat code 09 60 00 – Flooring.

Product Average

An average based on product construction was utilized for the life cycle assessment. The average was created by utilizing the standard formulation for the backing and the weighted sales average for the face fiber. This is deemed to be an accurate representation of an average flooring product.



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1.3. Application

EcoFlex Matrix products are designed to be used in commercial applications such as health care, education, hospitality, and retail. The product can also be used residentially if desired.

1.4. Declaration of Methodological Framework

This LCA is a cradle-to-grave study. This EPD covers the entire life cycle of the product from cradle to grave (modules A1-D) excluding modules for which there are no inputs/outputs. A summary of the life cycle stages can be found in Table 12.

The reference service life is 15 years and is only applicable if all manufacturing guidelines are followed regarding site-selection, installation, and maintenance.

The cut-off criteria are described in Section 2.4 and allocation procedures are described in Section 2.8.

1.5. Technical Requirements

The following technical data describe the product undergoing life cycle assessment.

Table 1. Technical Data

NAME	VALUE	UNIT
Yarn Type	Nylon	-
Primary Backing Type	Polyester	-
Secondary Backing Type	Polyolefin	-
CRI Rating	Heavy	2.5 Moderate, 3.0 Heavy, 3.5 Severe
Total Thickness	5.08	mm
Product Weight	1927	g/m ²
Surface Pile Thickness	2.69	mm
Surface Pile Weight	508	g/m ²

1.6. Properties of Declared Product as Delivered

EcoFlex Matrix modular carpet tiles come in sizes of 24"x24", 12"x36", and 24"x48". The tiles are stacked and a cardboard wrapping is placed around the stack to protect the product. These boxes are then stacked on pallets and wrapped for shipment.



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1.7. Material Composition

The material that make up the product are indicated in Table 2

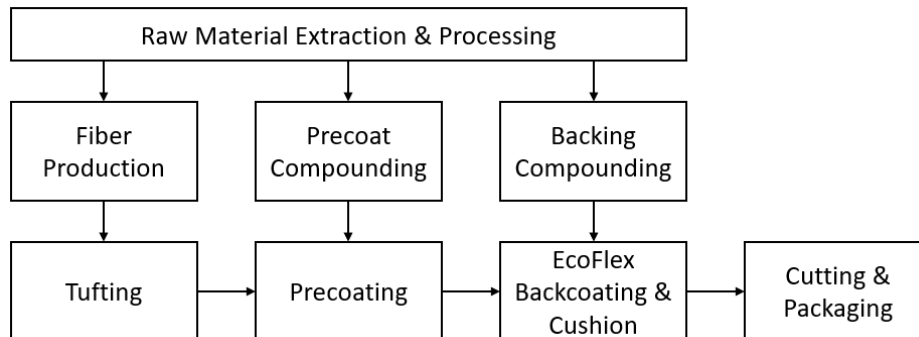
Table 2. Material Composition

COMPONENT	MATERIAL	MASS %
Face Fiber	Nylon	26%
Primary Backing Type	Polyester Polypropylene	5%
Coating	Butadiene-Acrylate Calcium Carbonate Polyolefin	65%
Scrim	Fiberglass	3%

1.8. Manufacturing

EcoFlex Matrix products are manufactured in Glasgow, VA. Nylon fiber is tufted into primary backing, a latex precoat is applied, then a secondary coating is adhered to the back with a fiberglass scrim. These sheets are then cut into tiles, packaged, and loaded into trucks for shipment to customers.

Flow Diagram



1.9. Packaging

Packaging utilized in the shipment of the product is described in Table 3.

Table 3. Packaging

Packaging Type	Material	Amount (kg)	Disposal Pathway
Cardboard Box	Corrugate	0.01	Landfill
Plastic Wrap	Polyethylene Film	0.001	Landfill
Wood Pallet	Wood	0.12	Landfill



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1.10. Transportation

Transport of raw materials from supplier to the manufacturing facility by truck or ship is included in the model, but only an average has been listed here due to simplicity.

An average shipping distance from manufacturing location to the customer was assumed to be 500 miles (805 kilometers) by a Class 8 truck.

1.11. Product Installation

Carpet installation requires site testing and conditioning for moisture, alkalinity, and proper preparation of the floor. This EPD assumes installation using FlexLok Tabs.

While installation equipment is required to install the flooring product, it is not included in the study as these are multi-use tools and the impacts per declared unit is considered negligible. All waste generated during installation, including packaging waste, is assumed to be disposed in a landfill.

Detailed installation instructions can be found at: www.mohawkgroup.com/resources/installation-guides

1.12. Use

Carpet should be cleaned in accordance with the product warranty instructions including vacuuming and extraction cleaning. The frequency is dependent upon the expected foot traffic and local conditions.

Carpet products are traditionally not repaired or refurbished. If a single carpet tile gets stained or damaged, it can be removed and replaced with a new tile, assuming the correct installation method was used per the manufacturer's instructions.

Indoor emissions during use have been evaluated and certified by Green Label Plus. No health concerns are present during the normal use of the flooring.

1.13. Reference Service Life and Estimated Building Service Life

The service life of carpet will vary depending on the amount of floor traffic and the type and frequency of maintenance. The level of maintenance is also dependent on the actual use and desired appearance of the floor. For this product the Reference Service Life (RSL) is 15 years. This means that the product will meet its functional requirements for an average of 15 years before replacement. The Estimated building service life is 75 years, as specified by the PCR.

1.14. Reuse, Recycling, and Energy Recovery

Mohawk will take back and recycle used carpet via the ReCover program. Through this program, Mohawk works with a national network of carpet recyclers to ensure used carpet stays out of the landfill. Learn more about the program at www.mohawkgroup.com/sustainability/repurpose-reuse-recycle

1.15. Disposal

For this study, it is assumed that at the end of the useful life of the product, 100% is disposed through landfill, 0% is recycled, and 0% is incinerated.





2. Life Cycle Assessment Background Information

2.1. Functional or Declared Unit

Per the PCR, the functional unit is 1 m² of floor covering over the RSL of 15 years, as indicated in Table 4.

Table 4. Functional Unit

NAME	VALUE	UNIT
Functional Unit	1 m ²	-
Mass	1.93	kg

2.2. System Boundary

This EPD is considered cradle-to-grave. The following modules are included and summarized in Table 5:

Table 5. System Boundary

MODULE NAME	DESCRIPTION	SUMMARY OF INCLUDED ELEMENTS
A1	Product Stage: Raw Material Supply	Raw Material sourcing and processing as defined by secondary data
A2	Product Stage: Transport	Shipping from supplier to manufacturing site. Fuel use requirements estimated based on product weights and estimated distance
A3	Product Stage: Manufacturing	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	Shipping from manufacturing site to project site. Fuel use requirements estimated based on product weights and mapped distance
A5	Construction Process Stage: Installation	Installation adhesives, installation waste and packaging material waste
B1	Use Stage: Use	Use of the product
B2	Use Stage: Maintenance	Cleaning energy, water, and materials, including refinishing the product
B4	Use Stage: Replacement	Total materials and energy required to manufacture a replacement. Includes EOL treatment for replacements.
C2	EOL: Transport	Shipping from project site to landfill. Fuel use requirements estimated based on product weight and mapped distance
C3	EOL: Waste Processing	Waste processing not required. All waste can be processed as is
C4	EOL: Disposal	Assumes all products are sent to landfill. Landfill impacts modeled based on secondary data

2.3. 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 utility 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. A weighted average of product weight based on one year of sales data is used.





The recommended cleaning regime is highly dependent on the use of the premises where the floor covering is installed. In high traffic areas more frequent cleaning will be needed compared to areas where there is low traffic. For the purposes of this EPD, recommended maintenance is presented based on guidelines from the Carpet & Rug Institute: carpet-rug.com/commercialcustomers/cleaning-and-maintenance/

Transportation distances to installation and disposal were assumed to be 500 and 100 miles (805 and 161 kilometers), respectively.

2.4. Cut-off Criteria

All inputs in which data was available were included. 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.

2.5. Data Sources

Primary data were collected by facility personnel and from utility bills during calendar year 2021. 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 utilized from GaBi 2021 Database.

2.6. Data Quality

Temporal Coverage

The primary data provided by the manufacturer represent all information for calendar year 2021. Using this data meets the PCR requirements. Time coverage of this data is considered very good.

Geographical Coverage

The geographical scope of the manufacturing portion of the life cycle is Glasgow, VA. All primary data were collected from the manufacturer. The geographic coverage of primary data is considered very good. Proxy datasets were used as needed for raw material inputs to address lack of data for a specific material or geographic region.

Technological Coverage

Primary data provided by the manufacturer is specific to the technology that Mohawk uses in manufacturing their product. It is site-specific and considered of good quality.

2.7. Period under Review

The period under review is calendar year 2022.

2.8. Allocation

General principles of allocation were based on ISO 14040/44. Where possible, allocation was avoided. When allocation was necessary it was done on a physical mass basis.

No co- or by-product allocation was necessary during the manufacturing, use or end of life. In the case of secondary raw materials (i.e., recycled Nylon 6), only burdens from the point of recovery forward were considered (cut-off approach). The primary production of recycled materials was outside the system boundary.





3. Life Cycle Assessment Scenarios

Table 6. Transport to the building site (A4)

NAME	VALUE	UNIT
Fuel type	Diesel	
Liters of fuel	42	l/100km
Vehicle type	Truck – Heavy Duty Diesel Truck / 53,333 lb payload – 8b	
Transport distance	800	km
Capacity utilization (including empty runs, mass based)	68	%
Gross density of products transported	175.75	kg/m ³
Capacity utilization volume factor (factor: =1 or <1 or ≥ 1 for compressed or nested packaging products)	=1	-

Table 7. Installation into the building (A5)

NAME	VALUE	UNIT
Ancillary materials	-	kg
Net freshwater consumption	0	m ³
Adhesive (FlexLok)	0.01	kg
Electricity consumption	0	kWh
Other energy carriers	0	MJ
Product loss per functional unit	0.02	kg
Waste materials at the construction site before waste processing, generated by product installation	0.13	kg
Output materials resulting from on-site waste processing	0	kg
Biogenic carbon contained in packaging	0.103	kg CO ₂
Direct emissions to ambient air, soil and water	0	kg
VOC content	N/A	µg/m ³

Table 8. Reference Service Life

NAME	VALUE	UNIT
RSL	15	years



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Table 9. Maintenance (B2)

NAME	VALUE	UNIT
Maintenance cycle	75	Cycles / RSL
Maintenance cycle	15	Cycles / ESL
Net freshwater consumption specified by water source and fate (disposed to sewer)	0.007	gal/m ²
Ancillary materials specified by type (cleaning agent)	0.016	lbs/m ²
Other resources	-	kg
Energy input, specified by activity, type and amount	1.75	kWh/m ²
Other energy carriers specified by type	-	kWh
Power output of equipment	1.4	kW
Waste materials from maintenance	-	kg
Direct emissions to ambient air, soil, and water	-	kg
Further assumptions for scenario development	Vacuuming once per week, deep cleaning once per year	

Table 10. Replacement (B4)

NAME	VALUE	UNIT
Reference Service Life	15	Years
Replacement Cycle	4	(ESL/RSL)-1
Energy input	-	kWh
Net freshwater consumption	-	m ³
Ancillary materials	-	kg
Replacement of worn parts	-	kg
Direct emissions to ambient air, soil, and water	0	kg
Further assumptions for scenario development	-	As appropriate



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Table 11. End of life (C1-C4)

NAME		VALUE	UNIT
Assumptions for scenario development	Product disposed of either with underlying floor or manually removed via scraping		
Collection process	Collected separately	0	kg
	Collected with mixed construction waste	1.93	kg
Recovery	Reuse	0	kg
	Recycling	0	kg
	Landfill	1.93	kg
	Incineration	0	kg
	Incineration with energy recovery	-	kg
	Energy conversion efficiency rate	-	
Disposal	Product or material for final deposition	1.93	kg
Removals of biogenic carbon (excluding packaging)		-	kg CO ₂





4. Life Cycle Assessment Results

Table 12. Description of the system boundary modules

The LCA scope is cradle-to-grave. Note that modules B1, B3, B5-B7, C1, and C3 have no environmental impacts and are excluded from results tables to improve readability. Module D is excluded from this analysis.

(X = Included; MND = Module Not Declared)

	PRODUCT STAGE			CONSTRUCTION PROCESS STAGE		USE STAGE							END OF LIFE STAGE				BENEFITS AND LOADS BEYOND THE SYSTEM BOUNDARY
	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	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
Cradle-to-Grave	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	MND

Table 13. North American Impact Assessment Results

TRACI v2.1	A1-A3	A4	A5	B2	B4	C2	C4
GWP 100 [kg CO ₂ eq]	6.93E+00	1.30E-01	1.62E-01	6.52E+00	2.92E+01	2.47E-02	4.06E-02
ODP [kg CFC-11 eq]	2.01E-10	3.38E-16	1.21E-12	6.79E-13	8.09E-10	6.43E-17	1.99E-15
AP [kg SO ₂ eq]	1.19E-02	6.03E-04	7.32E-04	9.35E-03	5.43E-02	6.95E-05	2.15E-04
EP [kg N eq]	1.21E-03	5.34E-05	1.51E-04	7.98E-04	6.45E-03	7.28E-06	1.92E-04
SFP [kg O ₃ eq]	2.00E-01	1.40E-02	4.44E-03	1.27E-01	8.94E-01	1.59E-03	3.91E-03
ADP _{fossil} [MJ, LHV]	1.91E+01	2.43E-01	2.46E-01	7.23E+00	7.89E+01	4.64E-02	8.15E-02

GWP 100 = Global Warming Potential; ODP = Ozone Depletion Potential; AP = Acidification Potential; EP = Eutrophication Potential; SFP = Smog Formation Potential; ADP_{fossil} = Abiotic Depletion Potential (Fossil)



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Table 14. EU Impact Assessment Results

CML v4.2	A1-A3	A4	A5	B2	B4	C2	C4
GWP 100 [kg CO ₂ eq]	6.99E+00	1.31E-01	1.74E-01	6.56E+00	2.95E+01	2.48E-02	4.09E-02
ODP [kg CFC-11 eq]	2.17E-10	1.89E-14	1.46E-12	3.78E-11	8.74E-10	3.59E-15	1.11E-13
AP [kg SO ₂ eq]	1.03E-02	4.37E-04	3.80E-04	8.85E-03	4.53E-02	5.10E-05	2.02E-04
EP [kg PO ₄ ⁻³ eq]	1.74E-03	1.28E-04	2.28E-04	9.58E-04	9.45E-03	1.58E-05	2.48E-04
POCP [kg ethene eq]	2.06E-03	-1.62E-04	9.71E-05	6.77E-04	7.98E-03	-1.78E-05	1.52E-05
ADP _{element} [kg Sb-eq]	1.59E-06	9.62E-09	9.65E-08	6.32E-07	6.83E-06	1.83E-09	1.21E-08
ADP _{fossil} [MJ, LHV]	1.43E+02	1.83E+00	1.83E+00	8.26E+01	5.91E+02	3.48E-01	6.27E-01

GWP 100 = Global Warming Potential; ODP = Ozone Depletion Potential; AP = Acidification Potential; EP = Eutrophication Potential; POCP = Photochemical Oxidant Creation Potential; ADP_{element} = Abiotic Depletion Potential (elements); ADP_{fossil} = Abiotic Depletion Potential (Fossil)

Table 15. Resource Use

Parameter	A1-A3	A4	A5	B2	B4	C2	C4
RPR _E [MJ, LHV]	1.34E+01	7.33E-02	2.69E-01	2.67E+01	5.54E+01	1.40E-02	7.58E-02
RPR _M [MJ, LHV]	2.82E-03	0.00E+00	1.69E-05	0.00E+00	1.14E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
RPR _T [MJ, LHV]	1.34E+01	7.33E-02	2.69E-01	2.67E+01	5.55E+01	1.40E-02	7.58E-02
NRPR _E [MJ, LHV]	1.21E+02	1.84E+00	1.50E+00	1.13E+02	5.00E+02	3.51E-01	6.48E-01
NRPR _M [MJ, LHV]	3.83E+01	0.00E+00	4.69E-01	0.00E+00	1.55E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
NRPR _T [MJ, LHV]	1.59E+02	1.84E+00	1.97E+00	1.13E+02	6.56E+02	3.51E-01	6.48E-01
SM [kg]	1.02E+00	0.00E+00	6.11E-03	0.00E+00	4.10E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
RSF [MJ, LHV]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
NRSF [MJ, LHV]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
FW [m ³]	3.03E-02	2.51E-04	5.69E-04	4.59E-02	1.25E-01	4.79E-05	8.03E-05

RPRE = Renewable primary resources used as energy carrier (fuel); RPRM = Renewable primary resources with energy content used as material; RPR_T = Total use of renewable primary resources with energy content; NRPRE = Non-renewable primary resources used as an energy carrier (fuel); NRPRM = Non-renewable primary resources with energy content used as material; NRPR_T = Total use of non-renewable primary resources with energy content; SM = Secondary materials; RSF = Renewable secondary fuels; NRSF = Non-renewable secondary fuels; FW = Use of net freshwater resources



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Table 16. Output Flows and Waste Categories

Parameter	A1-A3	A4	A5	B2	B4	C2	C4
HWD [kg]	2.58E-06	5.29E-12	1.55E-08	-1.37E-09	1.04E-05	1.01E-12	1.61E-11
NHWD [kg]	6.33E-01	1.60E-04	8.81E-02	3.86E-02	1.06E+01	3.05E-05	1.93E+00
HLRW [kg]	6.69E-06	6.26E-09	5.64E-08	1.31E-05	2.71E-05	1.19E-09	8.01E-09
ILLRW [kg]	5.68E-03	5.27E-06	4.85E-05	1.09E-02	2.30E-02	1.00E-06	7.16E-06
CRU [kg]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
MR [kg]	2.54E-02	0.00E+00	8.21E-03	0.00E+00	1.35E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
MER [kg]	1.82E-03	0.00E+00	7.67E-04	0.00E+00	1.03E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
EEE [MJ, LHV]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
EET [MJ, LHV]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00

HWD = Hazardous waste disposed; NHWD = Non-hazardous waste disposed; HLRW = High-level radioactive waste; ILLRW = Intermediate- & low-level radioactive waste; CRU = Components for reuse; MR = Materials for recycling; MER = Materials for energy recovery; EEE = Exported energy, electrical; EET = Exported energy, thermal

EcoFlex Matrix with nylon face fiber is Living Product Challenge (LPC) Petal certified by the International Living Future Institute (ILFI) under version 2.0. The products achieve Net Positive Carbon via LPC, meaning it goes beyond just carbon neutral manufacturing. Mohawk expands the net positive carbon impact to cover all commercial platforms through their Beyond Carbon Neutral (BCN) campaign. Each year, Mohawk retires the equivalent to 105% of the cradle-to-gate GWP to cover all sales of the certified products. This is third-party verified by ILFI annually. The resulting GWP is shown in Table 17.

Table 17. A1-3 GWP (kg CO2e) for additional product face fiber weights (TRACI 2.1)

Yarn Weight [oz/yd ²]	Yarn Weight [g/m ²]	Embodied Carbon [kg CO2e]	Beyond Carbon Neutral [kg CO2e]
12 oz.	407 g.	6.14	-0.31
13 oz.	441 g.	6.41	-0.32
14 oz.	475 g.	6.67	-0.33
15 oz.	509 g.	6.93	-0.35
16 oz.	542 g.	7.19	-0.36
17 oz.	576 g.	7.45	-0.37
18 oz.	610 g.	7.71	-0.39
19 oz.	644 g.	7.97	-0.40
20 oz.	678 g.	8.22	-0.41





5. LCA Interpretation

The analysis results represent cradle-to-grave environmental performance of EcoFlex Matrix modular carpet products. The top three contributors to each impact category are shown in Table 18

Table 18. Highest Contributions by Impact Category

Impact Category	CONTRIBUTORS		
	LARGEST	2ND	3RD
Global Warming Potential, GWP	B4	A1-3	B2
Ozone Depletion Potential, ODP	B4	A1-3	B2
Acidification Potential, AP	B4	A1-3	B2
Eutrophication Potential, EP	B4	A1-3	B2
Depletion of abiotic resources – fossil fuels, ADPf	B4	A1-3	B2

Under the 75-year building service life assumption, the replacement stage (B4) was the largest contributor in all five impact categories considered. The production of raw materials represents a substantial fraction of the life cycle impacts. Maintenance (B2) was the third highest contributor for the five impact categories. If the impacts of the product were considered for one product life, the production stage (A1-3) would have the most significant impact.

Within the raw materials, the nylon face fiber has a very large contribution to the environmental impacts even though it represents roughly 25% of the total mass of the product.

6. Additional Environmental Information

More information on the manufacturer’s sustainability and environmental programs, including a corporate sustainability report, can be found online at www.mohawkgroup.com.

All recommended personal protective equipment (PPE) should be utilized during installation, as indication on the SDS and installation guidelines, found online at www.mohawkgroup.com/technical-resources/installation.

Fire

NAME	VALUE
Radiant panel (ASTM E-648)	Class 1
Smoke density (ASTM E-662)	<450

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.





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According to ISO 14025,
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Mechanical Destruction

If the product is mechanically destroyed, it should be disposed of using standard procedures and replaced in a timely manner.

All environmental activities and certificates can be found at mohawkgroup.com

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