







Environmental Product Declaration Reinforced Concrete Pipes (RCP)

manufactured by Humes in Welshpool



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Programme information and verification

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Humes

Humes Concrete Products (Humes) is a division of Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd, one of the world's leading suppliers of cement and aggregates. Humes is the largest civil precast concrete manufacturer in Australia, employing over 600 people.

We have a number of Humes factories around Australia, with spun or dry cast reinforced concrete pipes produced in nine locations. This EPD covers pipes manufactured at Welshpool.

Humes has a long history of engineering precast and prestressed concrete solutions and, after 100 years of manufacture, our product range has never been more diverse, more competitive, or more in-tune with our clients' needs than it is today.

We offer a range of solutions for bridges and platforms, road and rail infrastructure, tunnels and shafts, retaining walls, pipeline systems, water treatment, reuse and detention, and traffic management. We can customise our solutions to ensure they create maximum value for your project, accommodating your site conditions, design requirements and construction factors.

The quality and reliability of Humes' products and services are the foundation of our success. Our ability to deliver to client specifications on major projects across Australia has established Humes as a valuable and reliable partner.

Our Strategy

Our vision is to become the global leader in innovative and sustainable building solutions. Through three strategic levers – Accelerating Growth, Expanding Solutions & Products, and Leading in Sustainability – we are transforming and Delivering Superior Performance.

Sustainability is at the core of our growth strategy. We are decarbonizing construction with innovative low-carbon and circular solutions. We are accelerating demand and capturing above-market profitable growth by engaging with partners across our value chain.



Figure 1 - Location of Humes' precast production facilities

(Note: pipes are not produced at Echuca and Tamworth)



Product description

As the leading manufacturer of reinforced concrete pipes (RCPs) and associated precast products in Australia, Humes pipes are available in a wide range of diameters, lengths and load and exposure classes with varying applications.

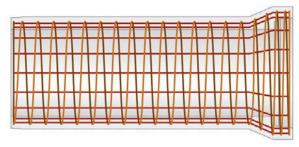
The primary application for RCP is for non-pressure stormwater drainage pipelines. Other uses for our RCP products are in sewerage and pressure pipe applications, or as jacking and shaft components of access chambers. Suitability in these conditions is project specific. Further details on product use and design for different applications can be found in Humes' *Concrete pipe reference manual* (see www.humes.com.au).

RCPs are made from coarse and fine aggregates, cement, water, and hard-drawn deformed steel reinforcement. Other materials used can include supplementary cementitious materials (SCMs) and chemical admixtures which have varied effects on the concrete depending on the admixture used.

RCPs are manufactured with varying joint types, including the two most common basic joint types - Flush Joint (FJ) and Rubber Ring Joint (RRJ) - to our jacking pipe and shaft range.

FJ pipes provide an interlocking joint which allows for a small degree of flexibility in the pipeline alignment. RRJ pipes, either belled-socket or in-wall joint depending on the diameter of the pipe and its application, are designed to accommodate change in pipeline alignment and settlement in a pipeline whilst still maintaining a watertight joint.

Figure 2 - Schematic of steel cage in a RRJ concrete pipe



The majority of Humes' pipe is manufactured in 2.44 metre effective lengths in the DN300 to DN2100 diameter range. Effective length is used to define an RCP's length as the physical length of the pipe includes the overlap of the joint. The standard effective lengths vary slightly at vertical cast factories due to manufacturing limitations. Other lengths and diameters of pipe can be manufactured to suit project requirements. RCPs are available in standard-strength (class 2-4) and super-strength (class 6-10).

Table 1: Summary of the reinforced concrete drainage pipe product range

Factory location	Welshpool
Technology	Spun
Class	Class 2 - Class 10
Nominal Diameter (mm)	DN300 - DN2250
Joint Type	RRJ, FJ, Jacking pipes & Shafts
Effective Length	2.44 metres

Representative product

Our Class 4 DN 600 Freshwater pipes were chosen as the representative product for this site because it makes up a substantial portion of total production by weight.



Product composition

The product as supplied is non-hazardous. The products included in this EPD do not contain any substances of very high concern (SVHC) as defined by European REACH regulation* in concentrations >0.1% (m/m).

Dust from this product is classified as Hazardous according to the Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances 3rd Edition (NOHSC 2004). Precast concrete products and pipes are classified as non-dangerous goods according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail. When concrete products are cut, sawn, abraded or crushed, dust is created which contains crystalline silica, some of which may be respirable (particles small enough to go into the deep parts of the lung when breathed in), and which is hazardous. Exposure through inhalation should be avoided.

RCPs form part of the UN CPC 375 – "Concrete" industry classification and the ANZSIC 2034 – "Concrete Product Manufacturing" product group classification.

Table 2: Product content

RCP constituent	Proportion (% t/t)	Post-consumer material, weight %	Biogenic material, weight %	Biogenic material, kg C per tonne pipe
General Purpose Cement [¤]	10 - 18%	0%	0%	0
Fly Ash +,‡	-	0%	0%	0
Ground granulated blast furnace slag (GGBFS) +, ‡	0 - 5%	0%	0%	0
Coarse & Fine aggregates †	71 - 78%	0%	0%	0
Water	5 - 7%	0%	0%	0
Admixtures	<0.10%	0%	0%	0
Reinforcement steel	0.1 - 9.7%	0%	0%	0
Rubber rings	<0.1%	0%	<0.1%	<0.3
Sum	100%	0%	<0.1%	<0.3

ⁿ Cement in concrete contains traces of Chromium VI (hexavalent).

Technical Compliance

Humes' RCPs are manufactured, and proof tested to comply with AS/NZS 4058:2007 - Precast concrete pipes (pressure and non-pressure). Our RCP products have a service life of 100 years, when manufactured in accordance with AS/NZS 4058:2007 and installed in accordance with AS/NZS 3725: Design for Installation of Buried Concrete Pipes. AS/NZS 4058:2007 also covers performance requirements, e.g. load testing, water tightness, pressure testing, water absorption, etc.

^{*} Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals.

[†] Crystalline-silica (quartz) may be a constituent of sand, crushed stone, gravel, blast furnace slag and fly ash used in any particular concrete mix.

[‡] Cementitious additives may contain traces of metals.



Scope of the Environmental Product Declaration

This EPD covers life cycle modules A1-3, A4, A5, B3, B4, C1-4 and D. Life cycle modules A5, B3 and B4 are better modelled on a per metre basis. We have included more information on these three modules in the section "Additional environmental information". Stages B1-2 and B5-7 have not been included.

Table 3: Scope of EPD

Stages	Product Stage		Construction Stage		Use Stage			Er	nd-of-li	ife Sta	ge	Benefits beyond system boundary					
	Raw Materials	Transport	Production	Transport	Installation	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	Deconstruction/Demolition	Transport	Waste Processing	Disposal	Reuse, recovery, recyding potential
Modules	A1	A2	А3	A4	A5	B1	B2	В3	В4	В5	В6	В7	C1	C2	С3	C4	D
			Scenario					S	cenari	0				Scer	nario		Scenario
Module Declared	Х	X	Х	Х	Х	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	X	Х	Х	Х	Х
Geography	AU	AU	AU	AU	AU								AU	AU	AU	AU	AU
Specific Data		69%															
Variation Products	-21	1% to 4	5%														
Variation Sites		0%															

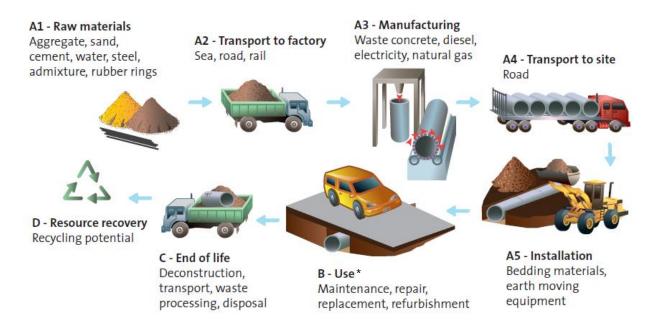
Module Declared indicates when a module is included in this study (marked by X). When a module is not accounted for, the stage is marked with "ND" (Not Declared). ND is used when we cannot define a typical scenario.

Geography indicates the geographical representation per module reported by ISO country code(s)

Specific data indicates the share of the GWP-GHG indicator results in A1-A3 coming from product-specific LCI data.



Figure 3 - Product lifecycle of steel reinforced concrete pipes



^{*}Module B (B1-B7) is shown for illustrative purposes but has been excluded from this EPD as it requires a reference service life (RSL) to be defined.

Product Stage

Raw Material - Module A1

All raw materials used in the production of RCP comply with the following standards as required by AS 4058:

- AS 3972 General purpose and blended cements
- AS 3582 Supplementary cementitious materials Parts 1, 2 and 3 Supplementary cementitious materials
- AS/NZS 4671 Steel reinforcing materials
- AS 2758.1 Aggregates and rock for engineering purposes Part 1: Concrete Aggregates
- AS 1478 Chemical admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout
- AS 1646 Elastomeric seals for waterworks purposes

Transportation – Module A2

Raw materials are typically transported to site via rigid or articulated trucks. The impact of transportation is determined from the specific supply sources for the manufacturing site.

Manufacturing - Module A3

The manufacturing process of RCP at Welshpool is a centrifugal spun process in the majority of Humes' pipe factories. Concrete is poured inside a spinning mould where the water in the concrete is slowly drawn to the interior of the pipe. Once the mould is filled with concrete the bore of the pipe is smoothed and the compaction process is complete.

RCP is cured in a curing chamber designed to accelerate the setting and strength gain of the pipes immediately after casting. Once RCPs have cured enough to be handled with lifting equipment, they are transferred to the outdoor yard storage area and continue to cure until they are transported to the installation site.



Construction stage

Transportation - Module A4

Average distribution distances vary from site to site. Transportation to the construction site is based on the weighted average delivery scenario for RCP products by site. Return-transport is empty.



Table 4: Transport to site parameters

Scenario information	Unit (expressed per functional unit or per declared unit)
Vehicle type used for transport; Fuel type and consumption	29% Truck 3.5-16 t capacity (fuel use 2.09 MJ diesel/tkm) 71% Truck 16-28 t capacity (fuel use 4.17 MJ diesel/tkm)
Distance	312 km transport
Capacity utilisation (including empty returns)	50% capacity utilisation (empty return)
Weight of transported products	10.3 tonnes on average
Volume capacity utilisation factor	1
GWP-GHG (IPCC AR5) intensity of A4 transport	0.28 kg CO₂e/km

Installation – Module A5

The installation of RCPs in a storm-water system is included in the LCA on the basis of a typical scenario. This EPD contains a range of scenarios as the installation scenario can have a significant impact on the environmental profile. Only trench type installation was considered due to the predictability of trench dimensions. The type of support is selected depending on the application (required performance) of the pipeline system. The required strength of a concrete pipe depends on both the load to be carried by the installed pipe, and the supporting ground installation conditions.

Installation processes include:

- · Excavation of the trench
- Placement and compaction of bedding materials
- Placement of RCP
- Filling of the trench

Transport of imported and surplus materials is also included as per the installation scenarios. The values are expressed per metre of RCP of a particular diameter, regardless of the class of pipe or whether the pipe is made using the spun or dry-cast process. The environmental impacts correlate strongly to the pipe diameter.

Bedding types for pipes are H1, H2, HS1, HS2, HS3, and U. Where U denotes an unsupported fill, H denotes Haunch support, HS denotes Haunch and Side support, and 1, 2, and 3 denotes the level of support (compaction of fill) in the material used, see Figure 4. Further details are available in AS/NZS 3725: Design for Installation of Buried Concrete Pipes.

Further information on trench dimensions for the installation of RCP can be found in Humes' Concrete pipe reference manual (see www.humes.com.au).



Figure 4 – Type H and type HS support

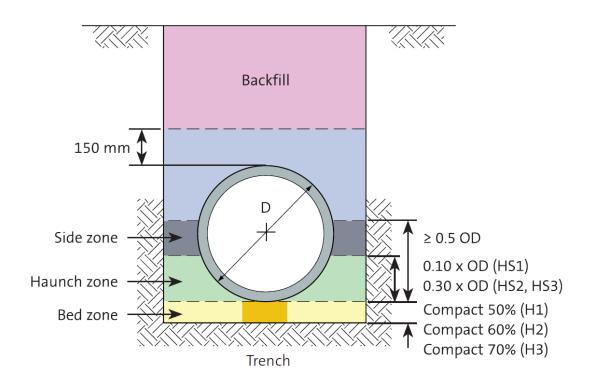


Table 5: Installation parameters (DN600 pipes)

Scenario information	Unit (expressed per functional unit or per declared unit)
Trench installation (type H1) for DN600 pipe	Trench width: 1,000 mm Bed zone: 0.110 m³/m -> 0.056 m³/tonne Haunch zone: 0.055 m³/m -> 0.028 m³/tonne Side + Overlay zone: 0.457 m³/m -> 0.234 m³/tonne Backfill: 1.000 m³/m -> 0.513 m³/tonne
Ancillary materials for installation	334 kg/m (= 171 kg/t pipe) sand (<i>Sand, at mine/CH U/AusSD U</i>) for bed zone and haunch zone. The sand is assumed to be imported over a distance of 50 km (<i>transport, truck, 16 to 28t, fleet average/AU U</i>).
Water use / Other resource use	n/a
Quantitative description of energy type and consumption during the installation process	Diesel for installation equipment (Excavation, hydraulic digger/RER U): assumed 0.13 L/t for excavation of the trench and 0.13 kg/t diesel for placing of the pipe.
Waste materials on the building site before waste processing, generated by the product's installation (specified by type)	Excess soil (in case of new installations) equals the volume taken up by the bed zone, haunch zone, and pipe. This is estimated at 876 kg/m (= 449 kg/t pipe). The excess soil is assumed to be transported off-site over a distance of 50 km (<i>transport, truck, 16 to 28t, fleet average/AU U</i>).
Output materials as result of waste processing at the building site	n/a
Direct emissions to ambient air, soil and water	n/a



Use Stage

Pipework which is installed correctly is relatively inert and does not consume energy or water to operate. As such, the life-cycle modules for use (B1), maintenance (B2), repair (B3), replacement (B4), refurbishment (B5), operational energy use (B6), and operational water use (B7) are not declared.

Note regarding Repair and Replacement - Modules B3 and B4

Based on anecdotal evidence, in our original RCP EPD (S-P-00998) we conservatively assumed that 1% of pipes require repair or replacement over a 100-year period. This was split evenly into 0.5% of pipes requiring repair and 0.5% of pipes requiring replacement.

Repair of RCP involves injecting an epoxy resin into cracks that exceed 30 cm in length and/or are greater than 0.15 mm wide (BCC 2016). Smaller cracks are assumed to re-seal under the natural action of the concrete's autogenous healing process. The impact of repair was shown to be marginal only.

Replacement of RCP involves impacts associated with all the other life cycle stages: product stage (A1-A3), transport to site (A4), installation (A5), and end-of-life (C1-C4).





End of life stage

At the end of their functional life, RCP pipes can enter into various disposal options. The two most likely scenarios are:

- left in the ground, abandoned
- exhumed and recycled

This EPD covers two options for the end-of-life stage, so that the reader can select the applicable scenario for their situation.

Deconstruction/Demolition - Module C1

When pipes are left in-ground, there is no activity attributed to module C1. In the recycling scenario, it is assumed that when the pipe is exhumed it is replaced with another new product, the excavation and backfilling of the trench is part of the next pipe's life cycle and is not included in the replaced pipe's end-of-life scenario. Removal of pipes is included.

Transport - Module C2

When pipes are left in-ground, there is no activity attributed to module C2. In the recycling scenario, the transportation includes taking the discarded pipe to a recycling site or transportation of waste to a final sorting yard or disposal site.

Waste Processing – Module C3

The waste processing includes crushing of waste pipes (recycling) into concrete rubble and steel scrap.

Disposal – Module C4

Waste disposal includes physical pre-treatment and management of the disposal site. For pipes that are left in-ground, emissions from concrete waste disposed to landfill are considered. Pipes that are left in the ground are assumed not to need any further waste processing.

Table 6: End-of-life scenario parameters

Processes	Quantity per tonne of RCP – left in ground scenario	Quantity per tonne of RCP – exhumed and recycled scenario	Unit
Collection process	0	1,000	kg collected separately
specified by type	0	0	kg collected with mixed construction waste
Transport from demolition	0	50	km transport (transport, truck, 16 to 28t,
site to recovery sites			fleet average/AU U)
Recovery system specified	0	0	kg for re-use
by type	0	1000	kg for recycling*
	0	0	kg for energy recovery
Disposal to landfill**	1,000	0	kg product or material for final deposition
Assumptions for scenario development	0	1	Assumed 1 m ³ of excavation (<i>Excavation, hydraulic digger/RER U/AusSD U</i>) per tonne of pipe (in module C1). This equates to 0.13 kg diesel use.***

^{*} The process used to model recycling is "recycling brick rubble and concrete, at plant/AU U"

^{**} We assumed abandoning pipes equals landfilling (Disposal, concrete, 5% water, to inert material landfill/CH U/AusSD U; minus energy used for management of the landfill site).

^{***} The process relates to the removal of the pipe (excluding digging of the trench), where we conservatively assumed digging one m3 equals removing one tonne of pipe. This approach assumes that (if the pipe is removed at end of life) a new pipe will be installed (i.e. as part of an upgrade or replacement rather than removal). The excavation is considered part of module A5 (of the next life cycle) and as such it has not been double-counted in module C1 of this life cycle.



Resource recovery stage

Reuse, recovery, recycling potential – Module D

The information in module D includes environmental benefits or loads resulting from recyclable materials leaving a product system. The concrete rubble and steel scrap produced in module C3 can replace natural coarse aggregates (crushed rock) and virgin steel (after further processing), respectively. Module D is only relevant when pipes are exhumed and recycled.

Table 7: Assumptions relating to Module D, pipe recycling scenario

Parameter	Unit / effect
M	Amount of material eviting the system that will be resysted in a
M _{MR out} =	Amount of material exiting the system that will be recycled in a subsequent system:
100%	concrete
100%	steel
M _{MR in} =	Amount of recycled input material:
0%	concrete
70%	steel
E _{MR after EoW out} =	Specific emissions and resources consumed per unit of analysis arising
	from material recovery processes of a subsequent system after the end-of-
n/a	waste state:
transport + recycling	steel
in an apperent reey emig	transport: 50 km transport, truck, 28t, fleet average/AU U
	recycling process. Steel, low-alloyed {RoW} steel
	production, electric, low-alloyed Cut-off, U
E _{VMSub out} = virgin materials	specific emissions and resources consumed per unit of analysis arising
	from acquisition and pre-processing of the primary material, or average
	input material if primary material is not used, from the cradle to the point
	of functional equivalence where it would substitute secondary material that would be used in a subsequent system
virgin aggregates	concrete: Gravel, crushed, at mine/CH U/AusSD U
virgin steel	steel: Steel, low-alloyed {RoW} steel production, converter, low-
3	alloyed Cut-off, U
Q _{R out}	quality of the outgoing recovered material
Q _{Sub}	quality of the substituted material
$Q_{R \text{ out}} / Q_{Sub} = 1$	quality ratio between outgoing recovered material and the substituted
	material is assumed to be 1 (equal quality)



Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) Methodology

Background Data

Primary data covers the 2022 calendar year and has been sourced from each of the Humes factories that manufacture RCP. The life cycle model has been built in SimaPro software v9.5.0.0.

Data for cement has been sourced from our supplier's EPD (EPD S-P-05476).

Data for reinforcing steel wire is based on our supplier's EN 15804+A1 compliant EPDs (S-P-00855 and S-P-00858). To calculate the EN 15804+A2 indicator results, ecoinvent v3 ("Reinforcing steel {RoW}| reinforcing steel production | Cut-off, U") data have been used, and GWP-GHG and ADP-fossil indicators have been adjusted to align with the published EPD. Our second supplier of reinforcement steel does not have an EPD. We have used ecoinvent v3.9.1 data without adjustment to model this steel. Data for steel that we use to make jacking pipe collars are sourced from our supplier (EPD S-P-00557).

Data for admixtures has been sourced from three EPDs published by EFCA (European Federation of Concrete Admixtures Associations) (EFCA 2021a, 2021b, 2023). Other background data is predominantly sourced from AusLCI and the AusLCI shadow database v1.42. Primary data is less than five years old as at the date of publication. Background data used is less than 10 years old or has been reviewed within this period.

Methodological choices have been applied in line with EN 15804:2012+A2:2019; deviations have been recorded.

Allocation

The processes and materials that require allocation are:

- Production of concrete pipes and other precast concrete products: All shared processes are attributed to concrete products based on their mass.
- Steel scrap leaving the pipe manufacturing process: the steel scrap generated at our sites has a negligible contribution to our revenue and therefore has been allocated with zero value.
- Fly ash: Economic allocation has been applied to fly ash (value of \$0), meaning that all environmental impacts of the power plant have been allocated to electricity as the main product. Fly ash has only received the burdens of the transport to our sites. Sensitivity analysis confirmed that this choice does not have a significant effect on the GWP results.
- Steel slag: BFS is a by-product from steel-making.
 We have used the AusLCI data for BFS ('Blast Furnace Slag allocation, at steel plant / AU U'), which contain impacts from pig iron production allocated to blast furnace slag using economic allocation.
- Silica fume: silica-fume is a by-product of silicon metal or ferrosilicon alloys production. Economic allocation is used to attribute impacts between silica fume and ferrosilicon production.
- Use of steel scrap in reinforcement steel: Recycling allocation has followed the polluter pays principle in line with EN 15804. See InfraBuild's EPD (S-P-00855) of reinforcing rod and wire. Scrap entering ecoinvent datasets does not carry any environmental impacts either. Strictly speaking, this does not comply with the latest scrap requirements in PCR 2019:14 v1.3.3, but it is not possible to alter the underlying data in a meaningful manner. The treatment of scrap entering (in module A1) and leaving (in modules A3, C3) the product system is consistent within this LCA.



Cut-off criteria

- The cut-off criteria applied are 1% of renewable and non-renewable primary energy usage, 1% of the total mass input of a process and 1% of environmental impacts.
- The amount of packaging used for admixtures, rubber rings and mould oil is well below the materiality cut-off and packaging materials and quantities have therefore been estimated only.
- The rubber ring lubricant applied to the socket lead-in for skid joints is excluded from the LCA, as the amount used is negligible.
- Capital goods (production equipment and infrastructure) and personnel is excluded from the LCA as these processes are nonattributable, lack agreed definitions for inclusion, and they contribute less than 10% to GWP-GHG.

Key assumptions

- The concrete compositions at each site are taken from Humes internal operating systems.
- For cement, we have used EPDs from our cement suppliers where possible. Where data gaps existed (including missing EN 15804+A1 results), these have been filled using AusLCI data for general purpose cement. For missing EN 15804+A1 results, greenhouse gas emissions are matched to our supplier's EPD data as best as possible.
- For reinforcement steel, we have used ecoinvent data, with GWP-GHG and ADP-fossil indicators adjusted to align with our supplier's published EN 15804+A1 compliant EPDs where relevant.
- Allocation approaches may have a material effect on concrete products containing fly ash, ground granulated blast furnace slag and/or silica fume.
- Additional environmental impact indicators are not declared in the admixture EPDs, which results in underreporting of these indicators.

Electricity

Electricity has been modelled for core processes using adjusted AusLCI data to represent the estimated residual electricity grid mix in Australia. This is done by removing renewables from the Australian Energy Statistics 2023 data (Table O1.1). The GWP-GHG of the electricity is 0.91 kg CO₂e / kWh (aligned with NGA 2023). The proxy residual grid mix is made up of black coal (53.9%), brown coal (17.3%), natural gas (26.3%), and oil products (2.5%). The contribution of electricity to cradle-togate (A1-A3) GWP-GHG emissions is approximately 5-15%. Therefore, the choice for market-based or location-based electricity accounting will have a noticeable effect on the results

Declared unit

Reinforced concrete pipes are available in various classes (wall thickness related), diameters, lengths and joint types. After considering various options, it became clear that there is no reasonable option that allows different pipes to be grouped or averaged in a meaningful way that is clear for the EPD user. Therefore, we have opted to present the results (for modules A1-A3, A4, A5, C1-C4, and D) for a representative product for the production site, based on the functional unit of:

 1 tonne of reinforced concrete pipe (RCP), including rubber rings, installed using the H1 bedding type.

For installation module A5 results are best expressed per metre of pipe length for a certain diameter, as results per tonne of pipe are not easily interpreted. As the use of multiple declared units are no longer accepted in EPDs, the GWPs for various module A5 scenarios are included in the section "Additional environmental information". Even then, care should be taken when comparing environmental impacts of installation processes across EPDs.



Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) results

An LCA serves as the foundation for this EPD. An LCA analyses the production systems of a product. It provides comprehensive evaluations of all upstream and downstream energy inputs and outputs. The results are provided in a form which covers a range of environmental impact categories.

Table 8: Environmental indicators legend (EN 15804+A2)

Indicator	Acronym	Unit
Climate change – total	GWP-total	kg CO₂ equivalent
Climate change – fossil	GWP-fossil	kg CO ₂ equivalent
Climate change – biogenic	GWP-biogenic	kg CO₂ equivalent
Climate change – land use and land use change	GWP-luluc	kg CO ₂ equivalent
Ozone layer depletion	ODP	kg CFC-11 equivalent
Acidification	AP	mol H⁺ equivalent
Eutrophication aquatic freshwater	EP-freshwater	kg P equivalent
Eutrophication aquatic marine	EP-marine	kg N equivalent
Eutrophication terrestrial	EP-terrestrial	mol N equivalent
Photochemical ozone formation	POCP	kg NMVOC equivalent
Abiotic depletion potential - elements ¹	ADP minerals & metals	kg Sb equivalent
Abiotic depletion potential – fossil fuels ¹	ADP fossil	MJ, net calorific value
Water use ¹	WDP	m³ world equivalent deprived
Indicator	Acronym	Unit
Global Warming Potential – Greenhouse gases	GWP-GHG	kg CO₂ eq
Particulate matter emissions	PM	disease incidence
Ionising radiation, human health ²	IRP	kBq U235 equivalent
Ecotoxicity (freshwater) ¹	ETP-fw	CTUe
Human toxicity, cancer effects ¹	HTP-c	CTUh
Human toxicity, non-cancer effects ¹	HTP-nc	CTUh
Land use related impacts / soil quality ¹	SQP	- (dimensionless)
Indicator	Acronym	Unit
Carbon footprint in line with IPCC AR5	GWP-GHG (IPCC AR5)	kg CO₂ eq

Note regarding various GWP indicators.

GWP-total is calculated using the European Union's Joint Research Centre's (JRC) characterisation factors (CFs) based on the "EF 3.0 package" for CFs to be used in the EU's Product Environmental Footprint (PEF) framework. CFs listed by JRC include indirect radiative forcing, which results in higher numerical Global Warming Potential (GWP) values than the CFs in the internationally accepted (IPCC 2013).

The GWP-GHG indicator is identical to GWP-total except that the CFs for biogenic CO₂ are set to zero. The GWP-GHG indicator in PCR 2019:14 v1.3 differs from the GWP-GHG in earlier PCR 2019:14 versions.

The GWP-GHG IPCC AR 5 indicator is determined using the IPCC AR5 Global Warming Potentials (GWP) with a 100-year time horizon. This indicator is aligned with Australia's greenhouse gas reporting frameworks.

¹ The results of this environmental impact indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties on these results are high or as there is limited experienced with the indicator.

² This impact category deals mainly with the eventual impact of low dose ionizing radiation on human health of the nuclear fuel cycle. It does not consider effects due to possible nuclear accidents, occupational exposure nor due to radioactive waste disposal in underground facilities. Potential ionizing radiation from the soil, from radon and from some construction materials is also not measured by this indicator.



Table 9: Legend for parameters describing resource use, waste and output flows

Parameter	Acronym	Unit				
Parameters describing resource use						
Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	PERE	MJ _{NCV}				
Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	PERM	MJ_{NCV}				
Total use of renewable primary energy resources	PERT	MJ_{NCV}				
Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	PENRE	MJ _{NCV}				
Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	PENRM	MJ_{NCV}				
Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources	PENRT	MJ_{NCV}				
Use of secondary material	SM	kg				
Use of renewable secondary fuels	RSF	MJ_{NCV}				
Use of non-renewable secondary fuels	NRSF	MJ_{NCV}				
Use of net fresh water	FW	m ³				
Waste categories						
Hazardous waste disposed	HWD	kg				
Non-Hazardous waste disposed	NHWD	kg				
Radioactive waste disposed	RWD	kg				
Output flows						
Components for re-use	CRU	kg				
Materials for recycling	MFR	kg				
Materials for energy recovery	MER	kg				
Exported energy	EE	MJ				

Table 10: Legend for EN 15804+A1 indicators

Indicator	Acronym	Unit
Global warming potential	GWP	kg CO ₂ equivalent
Ozone layer depletion potential	ODP	kg CFC-11 equivalent
Acidification potential	AP	kg SO ₂ equivalent
Eutrophication potential	EP	kg PO ₄ 3- equivalent
Photochemical oxidation (Photochemical ozone creation) potential	POCP	kg ethylene equivalent
Abiotic depletion potential - elements	ADPE	kg Sb equivalent
Abiotic depletion potential – fossil fuels	ADPF	MJ_{NCV}

The estimated impact results are only relative statements, which do not indicate the endpoints of the impact categories, exceeding threshold values, safety margins and/or risks.

The use of the results of modules A1-A3 (A1-A5 for services) without considering the results of module C is discouraged.



Table 11: EN 15804+A2 indicators, Class 4, DN600, Fresh water RRJ pipe, Welshpool, abandonment scenario

Environmental Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
				Core Indic	ators				
GWP-total	kg CO₂-eq.	2.58E+02	8.91E+01	3.86E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	4.37E+00	9.33E+00
GWP-fossil	kg CO ₂ -eq.	2.59E+02	8.91E+01	3.86E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	9.33E+00
GWP-biogenic	kg CO ₂ -eq.	-1.30E+00	6.10E-03	1.15E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	4.08E+00	-3.41E-04
GWP-luluc	kg CO ₂ -eq.	4.06E-02	4.14E-05	1.71E-05	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	-6.50E-05
ODP	kg CFC11-eq.	1.00E-05	1.38E-05	5.64E-06	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	-2.15E-08
AP	mol H+ eq.	1.14E+00	7.70E-01	3.26E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.23E-02
EP-freshwater	kg P eq.	3.73E-03	5.26E-06	4.76E-06	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	4.25E-04
EP-marine	kg N eq.	2.98E-01	2.42E-01	1.09E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	5.68E-03
EP-terrestrial	mol N eq.	3.32E+00	2.65E+00	1.20E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	6.81E-02
POCP	kg NMVOC eq.	9.87E-01	6.47E-01	2.91E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	5.11E-02	2.69E-02
ADP minerals & metals ¹	kg Sb eq.	1.52E-04	1.02E-07	5.06E-07	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.80E-06
ADP fossil ¹	MJ (NCV)	2.29E+03	1.20E+03	5.26E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	9.89E+01
WDP ¹	m³ world eq. deprived	2.06E+02	7.71E+00	7.37E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.24E+02
				Additional in	dicators				
GWP-GHG	kg CO2-eq.	2.58E+02	8.91E+01	3.86E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.82E+00	9.33E+00
PM	Disease incidence	9.24E-06	4.33E-06	3.38E-06	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.01E-07
IRP ²	kBq U235 eq.	1.13E+00	1.76E-03	9.46E-04	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	-2.48E-01
ETP-fw ¹	CTUe	1.14E+03	3.09E+02	1.28E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	5.08E-01	2.38E+02
HTP-c ¹	CTUh	4.34E-07	3.76E-10	5.06E-10	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	-5.66E-08
HTP-nc ¹	CTUh	2.55E-06	4.16E-08	4.12E-08	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.07E-08	-1.84E-06
SQP ¹	-	2.37E+03	5.40E+00	1.59E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	8.26E+00
				Carbon Foo	otprint				
GWP-GHG (IPCC AR5)	kg CO ₂ -eq.	255	87.6	38.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	2.9	8.8



Table 12: Parameters, Class 4, DN600, Fresh water RRJ pipe, Welshpool, abandonment scenario

Environmental Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C 1	C2	C3	C4	D
PERE	MJ_{NCV}	5.06E+01	1.73E+00	3.24E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	-1.84E-01
PERM	MJ_{NCV}	2.02E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
PERT	MJ_{NCV}	7.07E+01	1.73E+00	3.24E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	-1.84E-01
PENRE	MJ_{NCV}	2.25E+03	1.20E+03	5.26E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	9.89E+01
PENRM	MJ_{NCV}	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
PENRT	MJ_{NCV}	2.25E+03	1.20E+03	5.26E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	9.89E+01
SM	kg	2.30E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
RSF	MJ_{NCV}	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
NRSF	MJ_{NCV}	1.47E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
FW	m ³	2.02E+00	1.74E-01	1.71E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	6.18E-02
HWD	kg	1.58E-04	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
NHWD	kg	1.48E+01	5.11E-03	9.57E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.00E+03	0.00E+00
RWD	kg	1.28E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
CRU	kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
MFR	kg	2.65E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
MER	kg	1.60E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
EE	MJ	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00



Please note: stage A1-A3 values reported in this EPD incorporate the full production process of the precast elements. This includes concrete, steel, rubber rings, and precast production processes including reinforcement cage manufacture, casting, curing (steaming and other curing methods), internal transport, checks and storage as well as routine consumables used in the manufacturing process. Therefore, these values should not be directly compared to A1-A3 values per tonne of concrete supplied by ready-mix, as these values do not account for additional embodied carbon in the precast production process, steel reinforcement and rubber.





Variation (A1-A3) per impact category

The variations in the results for module A1-A3 is declared in the following table, based on the largest variation in GWP between products manufactured at Welshpool and the representative product.

The variation is determined using the tables thereafter, which show the GWP values for each product manufactured at this site as an example for how the environmental impacts vary by product type. The tables cover freshwater pipes, marine pipes, jacking pipes and shafts, respectively.

Table 13: Variation in core EN 15804+A2 indicators

Indicator	Variation against the representative product
GWP-total	-21% to 45%
ODP	-30% to 247%
AP	-23% to 53%
EP-freshwater	-58% to 1766%
EP-marine	-21% to 43%
EP-terrestrial	-21% to 46%
POCP	-28% to 41%
ADP minerals & metals ¹	-56% to 10396%
ADP fossil ¹	-32% to 43%
WDP ¹	-12% to 28%

The large variations (e.g. in EP-freshwater and ADP minerals & metals) are caused by jacking pipe products with a stainless-steel collar.



Table 14: GWP-total, modules A1-A3, kg CO2 eq per tonne of FRESH WATER pipe, Welshpool

Joint		RRJ											F	J						
Class	Cla	ss 2	Clas	ss 3	Cla	ss 4	Cla	ss 6	Clas	ss 8	Clas	s 10	Clas	ss 2	Clas	ss 3	Clas	ss 4	Clas	ss 6
Mix	S	LCS	S	LCS	S	LCS	М	S	М	S	М	S	S	LCS	S	LCS	S	LCS	М	S
DN300	241	215	253	228	280	255	303	271			272	240	241	215	255	230	284	259	310	278
DN375	238	212	252	226	281	256	297	264	289	257	281	249	238	212	254	228	285	260	280	247
DN450	232	205	247	221	271	246	284	252	267	234	274	241	231	205	248	222	274	248	285	253
DN525	246	220	239	213	250	224	285	252	293	260	276	243	245	219	261	236	256	230	282	249
DN600	246	220	246	220	258	233	294	262	281	248	273	240	243	217	258	232	251	225	281	248
DN675	244	218	265	239	256	230	286	254					240	214	255	230	253	227	290	257
DN750	243	217	243	217	255	229	298	266					242	216	258	232	251	225	296	264
DN900	231	205	243	217	266	240	289	257			269	236	243	217	247	221	250	224	333	302
DN1050	230	203	242	216	253	228	279	247					242	216	243	217	239	213	284	251
DN1200	240	214	257	232	254	228	287	255					248	222	249	224	247	221	294	261
DN1350	247	221	270	245	248	222	294	261					248	222	253	227	249	223	291	259
DN1500	234	208	245	219	250	224	292	260	279	246			259	233	264	239	265	240	279	247
DN1650	238	212	257	231	261	235	292	260			279	246	258	233	258	233	268	243	292	259
DN1800	238	212	258	232	265	240	291	259					258	232	263	238	310	286	291	259
DN2100	242	215	249	223	261	236	308	275					258	232	258	232	264	239	296	263
DN2250	257	231	267	241	278	253	305	272												

Table 15: GWP-total, modules A1-A3, kg CO₂ eq per tonne of Marine pipe, Welshpool

Joint				RI	RJ				FJ							
Class	Cla	ss 2	Clas	ss 3	Cla	ss 4	Cla	ss 6	Cla	ss 2	Cla	ss 3	Clas	ss 4	Cla	ss 6
Mix	М	S	М	S	М	S	М	S	М	S	М	S	М	S	М	S
DN300	258	225	259	225	261	228	273	240	257	224	257	224	263	230	273	240
DN375	256	223	265	232	271	239	287	254	255	222	259	226	265	232	285	252
DN450	263	230	274	242	285	252	305	273	257	224	266	233	280	247	293	260
DN525	267	234	277	245	287	255	296	263	265	232	271	238	284	252	281	248
DN600	276	243	290	258	290	258	314	282	276	243	287	255	290	257	289	257
DN675	288	256	292	259	282	249	283	250	288	256	289	256	282	249	292	259
DN750	278	245	305	273	283	251	276	244	280	247	282	249	277	244	286	253
DN900	277	244	306	274	290	258	288	256	281	249	271	238	287	254	285	253
DN1050	274	241	296	264	290	257	284	251	276	243	294	261	293	260	286	253
DN1200	286	254	284	251	281	248	291	258	277	244	296	264	283	250	288	255
DN1350	291	259	297	265	277	244	289	256	282	249	279	246	278	245	288	256
DN1500	273	240	277	245	289	256	288	256	287	254	277	245	294	262	288	255
DN1650	286	254	287	254	288	255	288	256	281	249	296	264	280	247	287	254
DN1800	283	251	303	270	288	256	287	255	289	256	296	264	294	262	287	254
DN2100	276	243	289	257	293	261	294	262	301	269	310	278	291	259	291	259

The "codes" under the pipe classes refer to the mix designs:

LCS Low Carbon Standard, Low Carbon Manhole

S Standard, Low Carbon Marine, Low Carbon Jacking

MH Manhole

M Marine, Jacking



Table 16: GWP-total, modules A1-A3, kg CO2 eq per tonne of Jacking pipe, Welshpool

Joint	Butt Joint	S Series	J Series	J Series
Class	Class 4	Class 4	Class 4	Class 4
Joint Type	Mild Steel	Stainless	Mild Steel	Stainless
Mix	М	М	М	M
DN 300	292	330		
DN 350		324		
DN 375	308			
DN400		316		
DN 450	311	315		
DN 500		308		
DN 525	337			
DN 600	326	318		
DN 675	329			
DN 700		316		
DN 750	324			
DN 800			311	342
DN 825	318			
DN 900	339		310	339
DN 1000			308	336
DN 1050	355			
DN 1100			306	332
DN 1200	338		315	339
DN 1350	350		328	365
DN 1500	347		323	357
DN 1600			305	329
DN 1650	337		320	351
DN 1800	366		315	344
DN 1950	375			
DN 2100	364			

The "codes" under the pipe classes refer to the mix designs:

LCS Low Carbon Standard, Low Carbon Manhole

S Standard, Low Carbon Marine, Low Carbon Jacking

MH Manhole

M Marine, Jacking



Table 17: GWP-total, modules A1-A3, kg CO2 eq per tonne of Shafts, Welshpool

Description	Height (mm)	Mix S	Mix MH
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,0300	300	217	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,0300,S1	300	217	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,0400	400	208	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,0600	600	217	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,0600,S2	600	217	214
WELL,SHAFT,2250,S,2250150,0680	680	231	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,0900	900	217	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,0900,S3	900	217	214
WELL,SHAFT,2250,S,2250150,1100	1100	231	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,1200	1200	217	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,1200,S4	1200	217	214
WELL,SHAFT,1800,F,1828089,1220,DEC18SL	1220	283	214
WELL,SHAFT,1800,F,1828089,1220,DEC24SL	1220	300	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,1500	1500	217	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,1500,S5	1500	217	214
WELL,SHAFT,2250,S,2250150,1500,FB	1500	228	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,1800	1800	217	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,1800,S6	1800	217	214
WELL,SHAFT,2250,S,2250150,1800,FB	1800	228	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,2100	2100	217	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1050,MJ,2100,S7	2100	217	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1200,RJ,1219076,2440	2440	251	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1200,RJ,1219076,2440,PL360	2440	251	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1500,RJ,1524076,2440	2440	213	214
PCAC,SHAFT,1500,RJ,1524076,2440,PL360	2440	261	214
WELL,SHAFT,2250,S,2250150,2440	2440	230	214

The "codes" under the pipe classes refer to the mix designs:

LCS Low Carbon Standard, Low Carbon Manhole

S Standard, Low Carbon Marine, Low Carbon Jacking

MH Manhole

M Marine, Jacking



EN 15804+A1 LCA results for backwards compatibility

Table 18: EN 15804+A1 indicators, Class 4, DN600, Fresh water RRJ pipe, Welshpool, abandonment scenario

Environmental Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	А5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP	kg CO₂ eq	2.49E+02	8.74E+01	3.80E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.86E+00	8.62E+00
ODP	kg CFC11 eq	4.77E-06	1.09E-05	4.45E-06	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	-2.71E-08
AP	kg SO₂ eq	8.12E-01	4.26E-01	1.90E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.64E-02
EP	kg PO ₄ ³- eq	1.08E-01	8.16E-02	3.69E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.36E-03
POCP	kg C₂H₄ eq	2.66E-02	2.75E-02	1.01E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.14E-02	7.25E-03
ADPE	kg Sb eq	1.65E-05	1.03E-07	5.09E-07	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.78E-06
ADPF	MJ_{NCV}	1.59E+03	1.17E+03	5.26E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.06E+02



Installation of pipes (module A5)

The installation of pipes cannot be expressed per tonne of pipe in a meaningful way, as there are too many variables that would impact on the results. Instead, installation impacts are best described per length of pipe of a particular diameter.

Installation – Module A5

The installation of RCPs in a storm-water system is included in the LCA on the basis of a typical scenario. The actual installation scenario can have a significant impact on the environmental profile of module A5.

The type of support is selected depending on the application (required performance) of the pipeline system. The required strength of a concrete pipe depends on both the load to be carried by the installed pipe, and the supporting ground installation conditions.

Installation processes include:

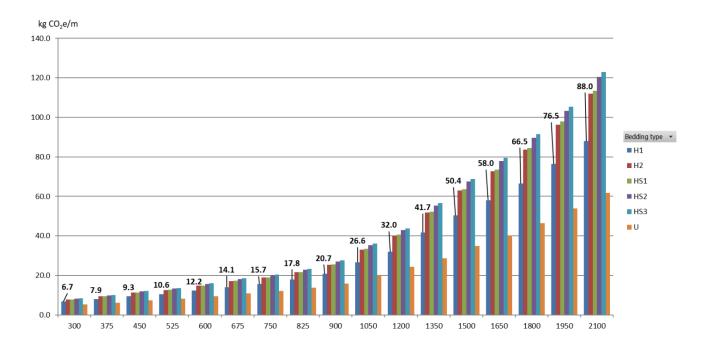
- Excavation of the trench
- Placement and compaction of bedding materials
- Placement of RCP
- Filling of the trench and compaction.

Transport of imported and surplus materials is also included as per the installation scenario. The values of installation should be calculated per metre of RCP of a particular diameter, regardless of the class of pipe or whether the pipe is made using the spun or dry-cast process. The environmental impacts correlate strongly to the pipe diameter (i.e. not to the mass of pipes).

Bedding types for pipes are H1, H2, HS1, HS2, HS3, and U. Where U denotes an Unsupported fill, H denotes Haunch support, HS denotes Haunch and Side support, and 1, 2, and 3 denotes the level of support (compaction of fill) in the material used. Further details are available in AS/NZS 3725: Design for Installation of Buried Concrete Pipes.

Further information on trench dimensions for the installation of RCP can be found in Humes' Concrete pipe reference manual (see www.humes.com.au).

The graph below shows how the GWP for module A5 (in kg CO₂e for installation of **one meter** of pipe) varies with pipe diameter and bedding type.





End-of-life scenario (modules C1-C4, D)

The default environmental profiles include end-of-life results for a scenario where pipes are abandoned and left in-ground at end-of-life. Alternatively, concrete pipes may be exhumed and recycled. In this case, the pipes are crushed to separate the concrete from the reinforcement steel, after which the concrete is assumed to replace virgin aggregates and the steel can be recycled to replace steel produced through the virgin route.

The module C1-C4, D results for the recycling scenario pertaining to the representative product are provided in the table below.

Table 19: EN 15804+A2 indicator results, modules C1-C4, per tonne of representative product, Welshpool

Indicator	Unit	Module C1	Module C2	Module C3	Module C4	Module D
GWP-total	kg CO₂ eq.	4.87E-01	7.81E+00	4.13E+00	4.37E+00	-3.84E+01
GWP-fossil	kg CO₂ eq.	4.87E-01	7.81E+00	4.13E+00	0.00E+00	-3.84E+01
GWP-biogenic	kg CO₂ eq.	3.59E-05	5.35E-04	4.31E-03	4.08E+00	-1.83E-02
GWP-luluc	kg CO₂ eq.	2.31E-07	3.63E-06	1.90E-06	0.00E+00	2.10E-04
ODP	kg CFC-11 eq.	7.72E-08	1.21E-06	5.18E-07	0.00E+00	-1.33E-07
AP	mol H⁺ eq.	5.31E-03	6.75E-02	1.13E-02	0.00E+00	-1.33E-01
EP-freshwater	kg P eq.	5.98E-08	4.62E-07	3.04E-06	0.00E+00	-1.39E-03
EP-marine	kg N eq.	2.32E-03	2.13E-02	2.01E-03	0.00E+00	-2.29E-02
EP-terrestrial	mol N eq.	2.54E-02	2.33E-01	2.19E-02	0.00E+00	-2.69E-01
POCP	kg NMVOC eq.	6.10E-03	5.67E-02	5.86E-03	5.11E-02	-1.00E-01
ADP minerals & metals	kg Sb eq.	5.69E-10	8.91E-09	1.02E-06	0.00E+00	-1.36E-05
ADP fossil	MJ, net calorific value	6.74E+00	1.06E+02	5.86E+01	0.00E+00	-4.36E+02
WDP	m³ world eq. deprived	4.32E-02	6.76E-01	1.27E+00	0.00E+00	-7.86E+02
Indicator	Unit					
GWP-GHG	kg CO₂ eq	4.87E-01	7.81E+00	4.13E+00	3.82E+00	-3.84E+01
PM	disease incidence	1.41E-07	3.80E-07	7.52E-08	0.00E+00	-1.18E-06
IRP	kBq U235 eq.	9.84E-06	1.54E-04	8.27E-04	0.00E+00	8.05E-01
ETP-fw	CTUe	1.73E+00	2.71E+01	1.33E+01	5.08E-01	-7.84E+02
HTP-c	CTUh	1.79E-11	3.29E-11	8.60E-11	0.00E+00	1.84E-07
HTP-nc	CTUh	1.84E-09	3.65E-09	3.96E-09	1.07E-08	5.99E-06
SQP	-	3.21E-02	4.74E-01	1.11E+04	0.00E+00	-2.02E+02
Indicator	Unit					
GWP-GHG (IPCC AR5)	kg CO₂ eq	0.483	7.68	4.11	2.88	-3.66E+01



Additional environmental information

Safety, Health and Environment (SHE) at Humes

Our safety, health and environment (SHE) management system aims to achieve high environmental standards. The Holcim executive committee closely monitors our performance in managing workplace safety and protection of the environment. The environmental component of the management system helps identify and manage potential environmental risks. Operations are assessed against the requirements and improvements made.

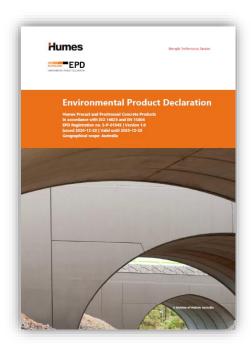
Infrastructure Sustainability

The Infrastructure Sustainability Council (ISC) is the peak industry body for advancing sustainability in Australia's infrastructure. As a division of Holcim Australia, Humes is a member of ISC and takes an interest and role in developing sustainable practices across design, construction and operation of infrastructure.

ISC has developed the Infrastructure Sustainability (IS) rating scheme which is Australia's only comprehensive rating scheme for evaluating sustainability for infrastructure. ISC evaluates the sustainability of infrastructure projects and assets and assigns credits across a number of categories which incentivise the use of sustainable practices.

Humes helps its customers optimise their ISC ratings through smart selection and design of precast products.

This is the updated Environmental Product Declaration for Reinforced Concrete Pipes. We have also developed an ISO 14025 and EN 15804 compliant EPD for Humes Precast and Prestressed Concrete Products, as well as for Humes Tamworth precast concrete for infrastructure applications. These EPDs are publicly available on the EPD Australasia website.







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