

Category 6A Plenum LAN Cable

At CommScope, we believe that corporate responsibility and sustainability means making decisions that have a positive impact on our people, planet and bottom line. CommScope's leaders have adopted a philosophy on corporate responsibility that embraces our core company values and holds us accountable to produce smart solutions that respect our people and our planet. Meaningful integrity is a decisive personal and company-wide commitment to enable faster, smarter and more sustainable solutions while demonstrating the utmost respect for our human and natural resources. This philosophy finds form in three pillars:

- Environmental
- Social
- Governance

Our commitment enables us to invest wisely in our future. By utilizing innovative technology, intelligent engineering and energy-efficient designs, we're building sustainable networks that make our customers more agile while also preserving the natural ecosystems from which we source our raw materials.



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This declaration is an environmental product declaration (EPD) in accordance with ISO 14025 EN 15804, and ISO 21930-2017. EPDs rely on Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) to provide information on a number of environmental impacts of products over their life cycle. 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, and the level of accuracy in estimation of effect differs for any particular product line and reported impact. Comparability: EPDs are not comparative assertions and are either not comparable or have limited comparability when they cover different life cycle stages, are based on different product category rules or are missing relevant environmental impacts. EPDs from different programs may not be comparable.

EPD PROGRAM AND PROGRAM OPERATOR	ASTM International				
NAME, ADDRESS, LOGO, AND WEBSITE	100 Barr Harbor Drive West Conshohocken, PA 19428				
GENERAL PROGRAM INSTRUCTIONS AND	ASTM Program Operator for Product Category Rules (PCR) and Environmental				
VERSION NUMBER	Product Declarations (EPDs). General Program Instructions. Version 8.0. April 29,				
	2020. CommScope, Inc.				
MANUFACTURER NAME AND ADDRESS	1100 CommScope Place Southeast Hickory, NC 28602				
DECLARATION NUMBER	EPD 278				
DECLARED PRODUCT & FUNCTIONAL UNIT OF	CommScope Cat 6A Plenum Data Networking Cable				
DECLARED UNIT	Functional Unit = 1 meter of installed cable over a 60 year building lifetime				
	The Norwegian EPD Foundation: NPCR 027 Part B: Electrical Cables and Wires,				
REFERENCE PCR AND VERSION NUMBER	v1.0, October 2020.				
DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT APPLICATION/USE	CommScope cable products are primarily used in commercial, residential, and				
	educational settings.				
PRODUCT RSL DESCRIPTION	30 Years				
MARKETS OF APPLICABILITY	Global				
DATE OF ISSUE	November 15, 2021				
PERIOD OF VALIDITY	5 Years				
EPD TYPE	Product Specific				
DATASET VARIABILITY	N/A				
EPD SCOPE	Cradle-to-Grave				
YEAR(S) OF REPORTED PRIMARY DATA	2019				
LCA SOFTWARE & VERSION NUMBER	SimaPro v9.1				
LCI DATABASE(S) & VERSION NUMBER	Ecoinvent v3.5 & USLCI v2.0				
LCIA METHODOLOGY & VERSION NUMBER	TRACI 2.1; CML 4.1				
The sub-category PCR review was conducted by:					
This declaration was independently verified in accorda	nce with ISO 14025: 2006. lectrical Cables and Wires,				
The Norwegian EPD Foundation: NPCR 027 Part B: El	lectrical Cables and Wires,				
v1.0, October 2020, serves as the core PCR, with addi	tional considerations from Timothy S Brooke				
CEN Norm EN 15804 (2013)	ASTM International				
INTERNAL	EXTERNAL				
	in accordance with ISO				
This life cycle assessment was independently verified i	in accordance with ISO				
14044 and the reference PCR by:	Thomas P. Gloria, Ph. D.				
	Industrial Ecology Consultants				
Environmental declarations from different programs (ISO 14025) may not be comp	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				

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Comparison of the environmental performance using EPD information shall consider all relevant information modules over the full life cycle of the products within the building.

This PCR allows EPD comparability only when the same functional requirements between products are ensured and the requirements of ISO 21930:2017 §5.5 are met. It should be noted that 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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### **General Information**

#### **Description of Company/Organization**

CommScope (NASDAQ: COMM) is one of the world's premier network solution providers—transforming connectivity for telecommunications, business enterprise, TV and broadband service providers and ventures across the globe. CommScope helps design, build and manage wired and wireless networks around the world. As a communications infrastructure leader, we shape the always-on networks of tomorrow. For more than 40 years, our global team of more than 30,000 employees, innovators and technologists has empowered customers to anticipate what's next and push the boundaries of what's possible.

### **Product Description**

Cat 6A Plenum cable is a four pair premise horizontal cable.

Product Type: Cat 6A Plenum LAN cable

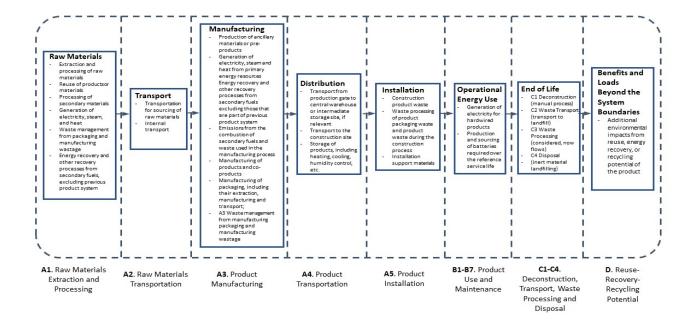
Product Characteristic: Four pair Plenum rated LAN cable.

The Cat 6A Plenum LAN cable is a four pair Plenum rated LAN cable.

This EPD covers the CommScope Cat 6A Plenum cable product family, including:

- UTP CAT 6A Plenum 4 Product ID: CS44P, 2091B, 2091SD, and CS44PSD U/UTP
- UTP CAT 6A F/UTP Plenum Product ID: CS44P F/UTP, 2291B
- UTP I/O CAT 6A Plenum 4 Product ID: CS44P-IO

#### **Flow Diagram**





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### **Manufacturer Specific EPD**

This product-specific EPD was developed based on the cradle-to-grave (modules A1-D) Life Cycle Assessment. The EPD accounts for raw material extraction and processing, transport, product manufacturing, distribution, installation, use, maintenance, disposal, and potential benefits and loads following the end of life disposal. Manufacturing data were gathered directly from company personnel. For any product group EPDs, an impact assessment was completed for each product and the lowest and highest impacts were reported as representations of the product group. Product grouping was considered appropriate if the individual product impacts differed by no more than ±10% in any impact category.

#### **Application**

The Cat 6A Plenum rated cable is appropriate for Plenum rated LAN cabling applications including 10GBASE-T, 1000BASE-T, 1000BASE-TX, 10BASE-TX, 10BASE-TX,

### **Material Composition**

The primary product components and/or materials must be indicated as a percentage mass to enable the user of the EPD to understand the composition of the product in delivery status.

The average composition of a CommScope Cat 6A Plenum Data Networking cable is as follows:

Note: The minimum and maximum values represent the minimum and maximum impact products within this product family. The increase in impact results from the increased weight of colorant and jacketing materials.

	Percentage in mass (%)					
Material	Minimum	Maximum				
Colorant	0.22%	2.83%				
Conductor	37.43%	35.39%				
Cross Filler	0.00%	0.00%				
Drain Wire	0.00%	0.00%				
Insulation	32.27%	14.20%				
Jacketing	24.27%	44.76%				
Rip Cord	0.00%	0.00%				
Tape	5.82%	2.81%				
Other	0.00%	0.00%				
Total	100.00%	100.00%				



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### Placing on the Market / Application Rules

CMP, NEC Article 800, UL 910, and UL 444 safety standards. The cable also complies with ANSI/TIA-568.2-D, CENELEC EN 50288-6-1, and ISO/IEC 11801 Class EA transmission standards

### **Properties of Declared Product as Shipped**

CommScope Cat 6A Plenum Data Networking cables are delivered as a complete unit, inclusive of all installation materials and instructions.



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## **Methological Framework**

#### **Functional Unit**

The declaration refers to the functional unit of 1 meter of installed cable as specified in the PCR.

Name	Value	Unit
Declared unit	1 meter of	of installed cable
Minimum Mass	0.05	kg
Conversion factor to 1 kg	19.56	-
Maximum Mass	0.06	kg
Conversion factor to 1 kg	15.66	-

#### **System Boundary**

This is a cradle to grave Environmental Product Declaration. The following life cycle phases were considered:

Product Stage		Construction Process Stage			Use Stage				End of Life Stage*			Benefits and Loads Beyond the System Boundaries				
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport from gate to the site	Construction/ installation process	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	Deconstruction /demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse-Recovery- Recycling potential
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	В3	B4	B5	В6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Х	Χ	Χ	Х	Х	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х

Description of the System Boundary Stages Corresponding to the PCR (X = Included; MND = Module Not Declared)

#### **Reference Service Life**

The reference service life of a properly installed CommScope Cat 6A Plenum Data Networking cable is 30 years. The building estimated service life is 60 years.

#### **Allocation**

Allocation was determined on a per meter basis.



<sup>\*</sup>This includes provision of all materials, products and energy, packaging processing and its transport, as well as waste processing up to the end-of waste state or disposal of final residues.

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### **Cut-off Criteria**

Processes whose total contribution to the final result, with respect to their mass and in relation to all considered impact categories, is less than 1% can be neglected. The sum of the neglected processes may not exceed 5% by mass of the considered impact categories. For that a documented assumption is admissible.

For Hazardous Substances the following requirements apply:

- The Life Cycle Inventory (LCI) of hazardous substances will be included, if the inventory is available.
- If the LCI for a hazardous substance is not available, the substance will appear as an input in the LCI of the product, if its mass represents more than 0.1% of the product composition.
  - If the LCI of a hazardous substance is approximated by modeling another substance, documentation will be provided.

This EPD is in compliance with the cut-off criteria. No processes were neglected or excluded. Capital items for the production processes (machine, buildings, etc.) were not taken into consideration.

#### **Data Sources**

Primary data were collected for every process in the product system under the control of CommScope. Secondary data from the ecoinvent database were utilized when necessary. These data were evaluated and have temporal, geographic, and technical coverage appropriate to the scope of the product category.

#### **Data Quality**

The data sources used are complete and representative of global systems in terms of the geographic and technological coverage and are a recent vintage (i.e. less than ten years old). The data used for primary data are based on direct information sources of the manufacturers. Secondary data sets were used for raw materials extraction and processing, end of life, transportation, and energy production flows. Wherever secondary data is used, the study adopts critically reviewed data for consistency, precision, and reproducibility to limit uncertainty.

#### **Period Under Review**

The period under review is the full calendar year of 2019.

#### **Treatment of Biogenic Carbon**

The uptake and release of biogenic carbon throughout the product life cycle follows ISO 21930:2017 Section 7.2.7.

### **Comparability and Benchmarking**

A comparison or an evaluation of EPD data is only possible if all data sets to be compared were created according to EN 15804 and the building context, respectively the product-specific characteristics of performance, are taken into account. Environmental declarations from different programs may not be comparable. Full conformance with the PCR allows for EPD comparability only when all stages a product's life cycle have been considered. However, variations and deviations are possible.

#### Units

The LCA results within this EPD are reported in SI units.



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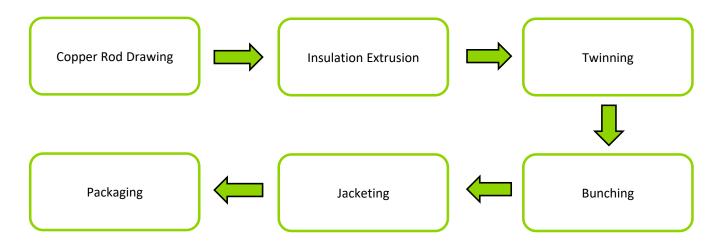
#### Additional Environmental Information

### **Background data**

For life cycle modeling of the considered products, the SimaPro v9.1 Software System for Life Cycle Engineering, developed by PRe Sustainability, is used. The ecoinvent database contains consistent and documented datasets which are documented online. To ensure comparability of results in the LCA, the basic data of the ecoinvent database were used for energy, transportation, and auxiliary materials.

#### **Manufacturing**

The primary manufacutring processes occur in multiple locations. Copper wire goes through two drawing processes with an immediate subsequent annealing process. The wire continues down the line to an extruder where the insulation material is applied to the wire. Cooling and drying of the insulated wire then occurs. Two of these insulated wires are then twinned together around each other. Four twinned wire pairs, along with other cable components such as separator tape and/or shielding material, are then bunched together. Subsequently, the bunched wire has a jacket extruded around the bunched cable. After the jacket is applied, the cable is cooled and packaged. Various packaging options exist, but most product is shipped in 1000-foot length spools and/or boxes.



#### **Packaging**

All packaging is fully recyclable. The packaging material is composed primarily of wood, with cardboard and plastic materials used for individual product packaging.

Note: The minimum and maximum values represent the minimum and maximum impact products within this product family

_	Quantity (% By Weight)					
Material	Minimum	Maximum				
Cardboard	38.95%	38.95%				
Other	3.13%	3.13%				
Plastic	12.28%	12.28%				
Wood	45.65%	45.65%				
Total	100.00%	100.00%				



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### **Transformation**

Transport to Building Site (A4)							
Name	Min	Max	Unit				
Fuel type		Die	esel				
Liters of fuel	38	38	l/100km				
Transport distance	300	300	km				
Capacity utilization (including empty runs)	-	-	%				
Gross density of products transported	-	-	kg/m <sup>3</sup>				
Weight of products transported	-	-	kg				
Volume of products transported	-	-	m <sup>3</sup>				
Capacity utilization volume factor	-	-	-				

#### **Product Installation**

CommScope Cat 6A Plenum Data Networking cables are distributed through and installed by trained installation technicians adhering to local/national standards and requirements. Installation accounts for the energy consumption, material wastage, and support materials use during the installation process, as well as waste treatment of packaging materials. The installation scrap was assumed to be a 5% average in accordance with the PCR. Installation is typically completed using battery-powered equipment and can therefore be neglected due to the amount of electricity that is consumed during the use phase.

Installation into the building (A5)						
Name	Min	Max	Unit			
Auxiliary materials	-	_	kg			
Water consumption	-	_	m <sup>3</sup>			
Other resources	-	_	kg			
Electricity consumption	-	_	kWh			
Other energy carriers	-	-	MJ			
Product loss per functional unit	0.00	0.0	kg			
Waste materials at construction site	0.00	0.0	kg			
Output substance (recycle)	0.00	0.0	kg			
Output substance (landfill)	0.00	0.0	kg			
Output substance (incineration)	0.00	0.0	kg			
Packaging waste (recycle)	0.00	0.0	kg			
Packaging waste (landfill)	0.00	0.0	kg			
Packaging waste (incineration)	0.00	0.0	kg			
Direct emissions to ambient air*, soil, and water	0.00	0.0	kg CO <sub>2</sub>			
VOC emissions	-	-	kg			

Reference Service Life							
Name	Value	Unit					
Reference Service Life	30	years					
Estimated Building Service Life	60	years					
Number of Replacements	1	number					



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#### **Product Use**

No cleaning, maintenance, repair, or refurbishment is required.

Operational energy use was modeled as use phase losses determined by the IEC 61156-5 standard. The maximum loss values for each cable category are detailed in the table below and were used in the B6 stage.

Operational Energy Use (B6)						
Name	Min	Max	Unit			
Water consumption (from tap, to sewer)	-	-	m <sup>3</sup>			
Electricity consumption	0.50	0.50	kWh			
Other energy carriers	-	-	MJ			
Equipment output	-	-	kW			
Direct emissions to ambient air, soil, and water	-	-	kg			

Maximum Loss Values per Cable Type						
Cable Type	Protocol	Power Loss (mW/m)				
CAT5e	Ethernet 100M	0.454				
CAT6	1G Ethernet	0.565				
CAT6a	10G Ethernet	1.364				
CAT7	10G Ethernet	1.363				
CAT7a	10G Ethernet	1.356				
CAT7+	10G Ethernet	1.351				

### **Disposal**

The product can be mechanically dissembled to separate the different materials. 85% of the metals used are recyclable. The remainder of components are disposed of through waste incineration with energy recovery, in accordance with the PCR, with the exception of fiberglass which would be landfilled.

End of life (C1-C4)								
Name	Min	Max	Unit					
Collected separately	0.02	0.02	kg					
Collected as mixed construction waste	0.03	0.04	kg					
Reuse	0.00	0.00	kg					
Recycling	0.02	0.02	kg					
Landfilling	0.00	0.00	kg					
Incineration with energy recovery	0.03	0.04	kg					
Energy conversion	44.00	44.00	%					
Removals of biogenic carbon	-	-	kg					

### **Re-use Phase**

Re-use of the product is not common due to the nature of hard-wiring the product into the building system.

Re-Use, recovery, And/Or Recycling Potential (D)			
Name	Min	Max	Unit
Net energy benefit from energy recovery from waste treatment declared as exported energy in C3 (R>0.6)	0.49	0.50	MJ
Net energy benefit from thermal energy due to treatment of waste declared as exported energy in C4 (R<0.6)	0.00	0.00	MJ
Net energy benefit from material flow declared in C3 for energy recovery	0.00	0.00	MJ
Process and conversion efficiencies			
Further assumptions for scenario development (e.g. further processing technologies, assumptions on correction factors);			



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## **LCA Results - Minimum Impact**

Results shown below were calculated using TRACI 2.1 Methodology.

TRACI 2.1 Impact Assessment											
Parameter	Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B4	В6	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP	Global warming potential	kg CO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.	4.6E-01	1.5E-03	6.9E-04	5.4E-01	3.3E-01	4.7E-04	7.7E-02	1.8E-03	-2.8E-01
ODP	Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer	kg CFC-11 Eq.	3.2E-06	5.7E-14	4.2E-12	3.2E-06	5.4E-12	1.8E-14	1.6E-09	1.3E-10	-1.8E-08
AP Air	Acidification potential for air emissions	kg SO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.	4.1E-03	8.9E-06	4.2E-07	4.2E-03	2.9E-03	2.8E-06	3.5E-05	5.3E-06	-5.2E-03
EP	Eutrophication potential	kg N-Eq.	1.9E-02	5.0E-07	8.9E-06	2.0E-02	3.9E-05	1.6E-07	1.8E-05	1.6E-05	-2.9E-02
SP	Smog formation potential	kg O <sub>3</sub> -Eq.	7.0E-02	2.4E-04	9.9E-06	7.1E-02	1.9E-02	7.7E-05	5.4E-04	1.1E-04	-9.7E-02
FFD	Fossil Fuel Depletion	MJ-surplus	7.7E-01	2.9E-03	1.1E-04	7.8E-01	2.9E-01	9.1E-04	7.1E-03	1.3E-03	-2.5E-01

<sup>\*</sup>All use phase and disposal stages have been considered and only those with non-zero values have been reported

Results shown below were calculated using CML 2001 - April 2013 Methodology.

CML 4.1 Impact Assessment											
Parameter	Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B4	В6	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP	Global warming potential	kg CO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.	4.6E-01	1.5E-03	8.0E-04	5.4E-01	3.3E-01	4.7E-04	7.7E-02	1.8E-03	-2.8E-01
ODP	Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer	kg CFC-11 Eq.	3.2E-06	5.6E-14	3.2E-12	3.2E-06	5.4E-12	1.8E-14	1.6E-09	1.3E-10	-1.8E-08
AP Air	Acidification potential for air emissions	kg SO₂-Eq.	3.7E-03	7.4E-06	3.4E-07	3.8E-03	2.9E-03	2.8E-06	3.5E-05	5.3E-06	-5.2E-03
EP	Eutrophication potential	kg(PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sup>3</sup> -Eq.	8.6E-03	1.3E-06	3.3E-06	8.7E-03	3.9E-05	1.6E-07	1.8E-05	1.6E-05	-2.9E-02
POCP	Formation potential of tropospheric ozone photochemical oxidants	kg ethane-Eq.	2.0E-04	3.4E-07	1.3E-07	9.4E-04	1.9E-02	7.7E-05	5.4E-04	1.1E-04	-9.7E-02
ADPE	Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources	kg Sb-Eq.	5.0E-05	0.0E+00	2.1E-10	9.3E-03	2.9E-01	9.1E-04	7.1E-03	1.3E-03	-2.5E-01
ADPF	Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources	MJ	6.6E+00	1.9E-02	7.8E-04	6.7E+00	3.4E-01	4.8E-04	7.7E-02	1.8E-03	-2.8E-01

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Results below contain the resource use throughout the life cycle of the product.

Resource l	Jse										
Parameter	Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B4	B6	C2	C3	C4	D
$RPR_E$	Renewable primary energy as energy carrier	MJ	7.8E-01	0.0E+00	-1.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
$RPR_{M}$	Renewable primary energy resources as material utilization	MJ	5.7E+00	4.6E+00	-3.3E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
NRPR <sub>E</sub>	Nonrenewable primary energy as energy carrier	MJ	5.7E+00	1.9E-02	-2.5E+00	3.3E+00	4.6E+00	6.1E-03	6.6E-02	1.2E-02	-3.3E+00
NRPR <sub>M</sub>	Nonrenewable primary energy as material utilization	MJ	1.1E+00	0.0E+00	2.5E+00	3.7E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
SM	Use of secondary material	kg	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
RSF	Use of renewable secondary fuels	MJ	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
NRSF	Use of nonrenewable secondary fuels	MJ	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
RE	Energy recovered from disposed waste	MJ	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
FW	Use of net fresh water	m <sup>3</sup>	2.3E-03	0.0E+00	3.8E-07	4.4E-03	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	2.1E-03	6.6E-06	-2.4E-03

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Results below contain the output flows and wastes throughout the life cycle of the product.

Output Flow	Output Flows and Waste Categories										
Parameter	Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B4	В6	C2	C3	C4	D
HWD	Hazardous waste disposed	kg	8.3E-08	0.0E+00	4.2E-09	8.7E-08	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
NHWD	Non-hazardous waste disposed	kg	1.4E-04	0.0E+00	1.0E-03	4.0E-03	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	2.9E-03	0.0E+00
HLRW	High-level radioactive waste	kg or m <sup>3</sup>	0.0E+00								
ILLRW	Intermediate- and low-level radioactive waste	kg or m <sup>3</sup>	0.0E+00								
CRU	Components for re-use	kg	0.0E+00								
MR	Materials for recycling	kg	1.4E-03	0.0E+00	2.7E-03	2.0E-02	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	1.6E-02	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
MER	Materials for energy recovery	kg	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	2.5E-04	3.2E-02	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	3.2E-02	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
EE	Recovered energy exported from system	MJ	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	4.9E-01	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	4.9E-01	0.0E+00	0.0E+00

<sup>\*</sup>All use phase and disposal stages have been considered and only those with non-zero values have been reported

Results below contain direct greenhouse gas emissions and removals throughout the life cycle of the product.

Resource Use											
Parameter	Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B4	В6	C2	C3	C4	D
BCRP	Biogenic Carbon Removal from Product	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	0.00E+00								
BCEP	Biogenic Carbon Emissions from Product	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	0.00E+00								
BCRK	Biogenic Carbon Removal from Packaging	kg CO₂	1.20E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.20E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
BCEK	Biogenic Carbon Emissions from Packaging	kg CO₂	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.20E-03	1.20E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
BCEW	Biogenic Carbon Emissions from Combustion of Waste from Renewable Sources Used in Production Process	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	0.00E+00								
CCE	Calcination Carbon Emissions	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	0.00E+00								
CCR	Carbonation Carbon Removal	kg CO₂	0.00E+00								
CWNR	Carbon Emissions from Combustion of Waste from Non-renewable Sources Used in Production Process	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	0.00E+00								

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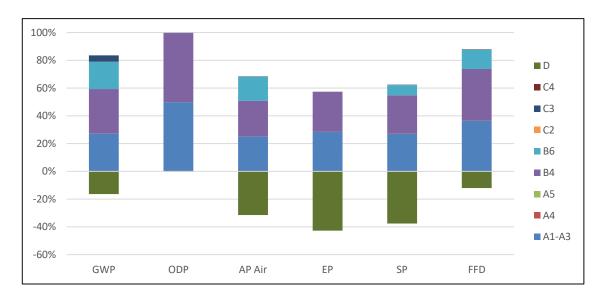
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## **LCA Interpretation - Minimum Impact**

The production life cycle stage (A1-A3) and in life energy usage (B6) dominate the impacts across all impact categories. This is due to the upstream production of materials used in the product, along with electricity use in the manufacturing of the product and the consumption of electricity during the cable's usage. With one replacement required over a life-span of a building, the replacement stage (B4) dominates from duplicating these stages. Significant impact reductions in the benefits and loads beyond system boundaries phase (D) can be attributed to energy produced from incineration of materials in the product that cannot be recycled.





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## **LCA Results - Maximum Impact**

Results shown below were calculated using TRACI 2.1 Methodology.

TRACI 2.1 Ir	RACI 2.1 Impact Assessment										
Parameter	Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B4	В6	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP	Global warming potential	kg CO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.	4.3E-01	1.9E-03	6.9E-04	5.3E-01	3.3E-01	5.9E-04	9.9E-02	2.3E-03	-3.7E-01
ODP	Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer	kg CFC-11 Eq.	1.8E-06	7.1E-14	4.2E-12	1.8E-06	5.4E-12	2.3E-14	2.0E-09	1.6E-10	-2.1E-08
AP Air	Acidification potential for air emissions	kg SO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.	4.9E-03	1.1E-05	4.2E-07	4.9E-03	2.9E-03	3.5E-06	4.5E-05	6.8E-06	-6.5E-03
EP	Eutrophication potential	kg N-Eq.	2.3E-02	6.2E-07	8.9E-06	2.3E-02	3.9E-05	2.0E-07	2.3E-05	2.0E-05	-3.4E-02
SP	Smog formation potential	kg O₃-Eq.	8.2E-02	3.0E-04	9.9E-06	8.4E-02	1.9E-02	9.7E-05	6.9E-04	1.4E-04	-1.2E-01
FFD	Fossil Fuel Depletion	MJ-surplus	6.5E-01	3.6E-03	1.1E-04	6.7E-01	2.9E-01	1.1E-03	9.0E-03	1.6E-03	-3.4E-01

<sup>\*</sup>All use phase and disposal stages have been considered and only those with non-zero values have been reported

Results shown below were calculated using CML 2001 - April 2013 Methodology.

CML 4.1 Impact Assessment											
Parameter	Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B4	В6	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP	Global warming potential	kg CO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.	4.3E-01	1.9E-03	8.0E-04	5.3E-01	3.3E-01	5.9E-04	9.9E-02	2.3E-03	-3.7E-01
ODP	Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer	kg CFC-11 Eq.	1.8E-06	7.0E-14	3.2E-12	1.8E-06	5.4E-12	2.3E-14	2.0E-09	1.6E-10	-2.1E-08
AP Air	Acidification potential for air emissions	kg SO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.	4.4E-03	9.2E-06	3.4E-07	4.4E-03	2.9E-03	3.5E-06	4.5E-05	6.8E-06	-6.5E-03
EP	Eutrophication potential	kg(PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sup>3</sup> -Eq.	1.0E-02	1.6E-06	3.3E-06	1.0E-02	3.9E-05	2.0E-07	2.3E-05	2.0E-05	-3.4E-02
POCP	Formation potential of tropospheric ozone photochemical oxidants	kg ethane-Eq.	1.8E-04	4.2E-07	1.3E-07	1.1E-03	1.9E-02	9.7E-05	6.9E-04	1.4E-04	-1.2E-01
ADPE	Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources	kg Sb-Eq.	6.0E-05	0.0E+00	2.1E-10	1.2E-02	2.9E-01	1.1E-03	9.0E-03	1.6E-03	-3.4E-01
ADPF	Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources	MJ	6.0E+00	2.4E-02	7.8E-04	6.1E+00	3.4E-01	5.9E-04	9.9E-02	2.3E-03	-3.7E-01

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Results below contain the resource use throughout the life cycle of the product.

Resource Use											
Parameter	Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B4	В6	C2	C3	C4	D
RPR <sub>E</sub>	Renewable primary energy as energy carrier	MJ	9.3E-01	0.0E+00	-1.2E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
RPR <sub>M</sub>	Renewable primary energy resources as material utilization	MJ	5.5E-02	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
NRPR <sub>E</sub>	Nonrenewable primary energy as energy carrier	MJ	5.1E+00	2.4E-02	-2.5E+00	2.7E+00	4.6E+00	7.6E-03	8.4E-02	1.5E-02	-4.5E+00
NRPR <sub>M</sub>	Nonrenewable primary energy as material utilization	MJ	1.1E+00	0.0E+00	2.5E+00	3.7E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
SM	Use of secondary material	kg	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
RSF	Use of renewable secondary fuels	MJ	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
NRSF	Use of nonrenewable secondary fuels	MJ	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
RE	Energy recovered from disposed waste	MJ	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
FW	Use of net fresh water	m <sup>3</sup>	3.0E-03	0.0E+00	3.8E-07	5.6E-03	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	2.7E-03	8.5E-06	-2.8E-03

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Results below contain the output flows and wastes throughout the life cycle of the product.

<b>Output Flows</b>	Output Flows and Waste Categories										
Parameter	Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B4	В6	C2	C3	C4	D
HWD	Hazardous waste disposed	kg	8.3E-08	0.0E+00	4.2E-09	8.7E-08	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
NHWD	Non-hazardous waste disposed	kg	1.4E-04	0.0E+00	1.0E-03	4.5E-03	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	3.4E-03	0.0E+00
HLRW	High-level radioactive waste	kg or m <sup>3</sup>	0.0E+00								
ILLRW	Intermediate- and low-level radioactive waste	kg or m <sup>3</sup>	0.0E+00								
CRU	Components for re-use	kg	0.0E+00								
MR	Materials for recycling	kg	1.4E-03	0.0E+00	2.7E-03	2.3E-02	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	1.9E-02	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
MER	Materials for energy recovery	kg	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	2.5E-04	4.1E-02	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	4.1E-02	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
EE	Recovered energy exported from system	MJ	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	5.0E-01	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	5.0E-01	0.0E+00	0.0E+00

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Results below contain direct greenhouse gas emissions and removals throughout the life cycle of the product.

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BCRK	Biogenic Carbon Removal from Packaging	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	1.20E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.20E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
BCEK	Biogenic Carbon Emissions from Packaging	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.20E-03	1.20E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
BCEW	Biogenic Carbon Emissions from Combustion of Waste from Renewable Sources Used in Production Process	kg CO₂	0.00E+00								
CCE	Calcination Carbon Emissions	kg CO₂	0.00E+00								
CCR	Carbonation Carbon Removal	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	0.00E+00								
CWNR	Carbon Emissions from Combustion of Waste from Non-renewable Sources Used in Production Process	kg CO₂	0.00E+00								

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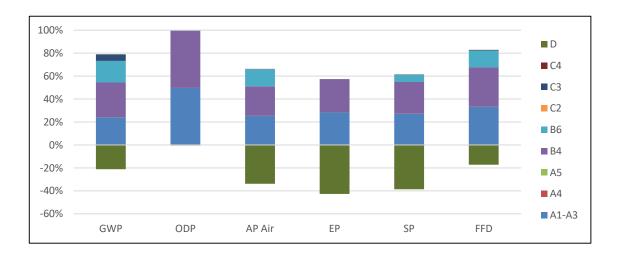
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### **Additional Environmental Information**

#### **Environmental and Health During Manufacturing**

CommScope values employees' health, safety and well-being. To this end, we maintain a robust company-wide environment, health and safety (EHS) management system. This is an integrated program based on the requirements of the International Standards of ISO45001 and ISO14001. To support this integrated EHS management system, CommScope utilizes a web-based platform, the BSI Entropy™ tool. This tool supports the management of our EHS processes and operations at the corporate and facility level. All EHS management system records (policies, procedures, method statements, health and safety risk assessments, environmental aspect/impact assessments, legal requirements, permits, training, internal and external audits, incidents and implemented CAPA, KPIs, and other records related to EHS) are maintained and managed in Entropy. In addition, all CommScope major manufacturing facilities are certified according to the ISO14001 and ISO45001 standards. Our vision and committments are detailed in our EHS Policy.

CommScope understands the need to address the environmental impacts of its products and services. CommScope engages product development teams in designing innovative and more sustainable solutions across a product's life cycle—from design and manufacturing to product use and end of life.

CommScope is committed to demonstrating a high standard of global product compliance practices. Through this commitment, we actively monitor global environmental trends and emerging regulatory requirements that may affect our products, operations, supply chain, and customer base. We are committed to be compliant with all applicable environmental product-related legal and other requirements. To achieve this, we have a global organization comprising environmental specialists, engineers, and product compliance experts who are constantly ensuring our compliance status is maintained. We manage our compliance using a cross-functional approach with our engineers, designers, quality organization, supply chain organization, and production.

CommScope is committed to upholding the human rights of its employees. To ensure our employees are treated with dignity and respect, we follow a well-established Code of Ethics and Business Conduct and Labor Policy that aligns with recognized standards and guidelines from the International Labor Organization, the United Nations Global Compact, the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights, SA8000 and applicable laws.

#### **Environmental and Health During Installation**

There is no harmful emissive potential. No damage to health or impairment is expected under normal use corresponding to the intended use of the product.



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### **Extraordinary Effects**

#### Fire

Cable complies with applicable Plenum Communications Cable fire safety standards.

Water

None

**Mechanical Destruction** 

None

#### **Delayed Emissions**

Global warming potential is calculated using the TRACI 2.1 and CML 4.1 impact assessment methodologies. Delayed emissions are not considered.

#### **Environmanetal Activities and Cerifications**

Our Sustainability Report details CommScope's efforts to operate the business ethically and with integrity; protect the environment; maintain the health, safety and well-being of our workforce; and support the communities in which we operate. To learn more, view our comprehensive Sustainability Report at https://www.commscope.com/corporate-responsibility-and-sustainability/.

#### **Further Information**

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