# Environmental Product Declaration

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## 1. General Information

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| EPD® PROGRAM<br>HOLDER                       | The International EPD <sup>®</sup> System operated by EPD <sup>®</sup> international AB <u>www.environdec.com</u> Valhallavagen 81, 11427 Stockholm, Sweden  | <b>EPD</b> <sup>®</sup>                            |
|--|--|--|
| PRODUCT CATEGORY<br>RULES (PCR)              | CEN standard EN 15804 served as the core PCF<br>PCR 2012:01 version 2.3 Construction products<br>services, and Sub-PCR-F Resilient, textile and la<br>Validity of the PCR: 2020-03-03  | R<br>s and construction<br>aminate floor coverings |
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| COMPANY<br>RESPONSIBLE OF EPD<br>PUBLICATION | FITNICE <sup>®</sup> IS A BRAND OF VERTISOL<br>INTERNACIONAL, SRL<br>Vertisol Internacional S.R.L.<br>C-17, 18, 08403 Granollers (Spain)<br>Phone: +34 93 840 14 44<br>Email: <u>mkt@vertisol.es</u><br>Website: <u>http://en.vertisol.es/</u> | vertisol<br>contemporary weavers                   |
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## 2. Company

Vertisol was founded in 1982, when its first fabrics were manufactured at the plant in Lliçà de Munt. The company currently has two factories in Spain, one in Granollers (Barcelona) and another in Moraña (Pontevedra), which allows it to efficiently develop each one of the different production processes, researching new solutions and guaranteeing high production capacity.

Vertisol's facilities in Barcelona are, besides being the company headquarters, the site where the fabrics are manufactured by coating and impregnation processes. The company not only manufactures fabrics, but also carpet tiles and rolls of FITNICE<sup>®</sup> among many other products. FITNICE<sup>®</sup> production starts in Moraña where the warp and the weft are intertwined to create the yarn and it finishes in Vertisol's facilities where the carpet is finished and packed ready to be sent and installed.

FITNICE® is a registered brand of Vertisol Internacional SRL.

## 3. Product

## 3.1. Product description and application

FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor comes from the way that grape is grown in Galicia and inspired by the widely recognized streets of Barcelona.

FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor collection offers a range of aesthetic and functional flooring solutions. Four collections are featured in the FITNICE<sup>®</sup> Floor catalogue: Chroma, Memphis, Panama and Wicker.

FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor is a highly technical material, easy to use and practical, with a textile appearance. It is adequate for heavy commercial use and applicable to a wide variety of uses (hotels, offices, schools, museums, etc.).

FITNICE<sup>®</sup> is manufactured in carpet tiles or rolls or as a wall covering and rugs.

Further information such as product specifications from FITNICE<sup>®</sup> whole family is available at <u>http://fitnice.com/</u> and <u>info@fitnice.com</u>.

According to the use class as defined in EN 1307:2014 the products can be used in all areas which require class 33 or less. Woven vinyl flooring is commonly used in commercial (heavy and light) and residential interiors.

This EPD<sup>®</sup> includes the environmental performance of Chroma, Memphis, Panama and Wicker products (also raised floor access tiles) since the environmental impact of their life cycle differs less than 10%. Moreover, now this EPD<sup>®</sup> includes results of FITNICE<sup>®</sup> Raised Access Floor Tiles in Annex 1, as well as the results of FITNICE<sup>®</sup> Pobo Rolls & Tiles in Annex 2 and the results of FITNICE<sup>®</sup> Pobo Raised Access Floor Tiles in Annex 3.

| PARAMETERS        | UNIT                  |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Product thickness | 2.60 mm               |
| Product weight    | 3113 g/m <sup>2</sup> |
| Width of roll     | 200 cm                |
| Length of roll    | 10 m                  |

| Table 2. Main technical s | specifications | of FITNICE® | Wicker floo |
|---------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
|---------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|





#### 3.2. Content of Materials and Chemical substances

FITNICE<sup>®</sup> woven vinyl flooring is made of a PES monofilament yarn coated with Phthalate free PVC. The PVC backing laminated with the woven fabric provides a high level of dimensional stability.



Figure 1. FITNICE<sup>®</sup> detail.

Detailed composition of FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor is proprietary and it can't be published, but it has been used in the Life Cycle Assessment included in this EPD<sup>®</sup>. There's no variation in the main materials content (according to Table 3), and the differences within FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor product family are related to the finishes. An approximation of main components is as follows for the whole family:

| Table 3. | <b>FITNICE</b> ® | floor | Compositio | n. |
|----------|------------------|-------|------------|----|
|----------|------------------|-------|------------|----|

|         | COMPONENT | % IN TOTAL WEIGHT |
|---------|-----------|-------------------|
| VADN    | Vinyl     | 75% – 91%         |
| TARN    | Polyester | 9% – 25%          |
| BACKING | PVC       | 100% vinyl        |

#### 3.3. Use, Environmental & Health information

The proper use of the described products is not a hazard to water, air and soil. It is inert in its proper use. No damage to health is expected under normal use. FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor is REACh compliant since any substance contained in the product is listed in the "Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) for authorization" in a content exceeding 0,1% of the weight of the product), which assures no harmful substances released to the environment or users.

LCA for FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor has been conducted according to EN 15804+A1 and supplemented with health and quality information.

Through this document, it is intended to provide accessible, accurate and comparable information on the environmental and health performance of a finished product, defined by its functional unit. It also determines FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor contribution to the control of health risks and the quality of life inside a building.





Table 4. Assessment of health risks (NF P 01-010 § 7.2) and product's contribution to standards of living inside buildings (NF P 01-010 § 7.3).

|         |                                 | тиос  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------|---------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
|         |                                 | Emission after 28 days  | <90 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                 | Other components  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                 | Formaldehyde  | < 3 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                 | Acetaldehyde  | < 3 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
| S       |                                 | Toluene   | < 2 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
| IS      |                                 | Tétrachloroethylene   | < 2 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
| ж<br>Т  | Sanitary                        | Ethylbenzene  | < 2 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ē       | quality of                      | Xylene  | < 2 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
| EAI     | interior                        | Styrene   | < 2 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ī       | spaces                          | 2-Butoxyethanol   | < 2 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ö       |                                 | Trimethylbenzene  | < 2 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ę       |                                 | 1,4-Dichlorobenzene   | < 2 µg/m <sup>3</sup> according to ISO 16000.         |  |  |  |  |  |
| SSESSME |                                 | The emission of the tested product FITNICE <sup>®</sup> Floor corresponds to the emission class A+ of the French regulation on the labeling of product for construction or wall cladding or flooring and paint and varnish on their |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ă       |                                 | emissions of volatile pollutants (Arr   | ete April 2011).                                      |  |  |  |  |  |
|         | Consistent                      | Radioactive emissions   | Not expected, negligible.                             |  |  |  |  |  |
|         | Sanitary<br>quality of<br>water | for human consumption, or with runoff water, infiltration water, the water table or surface water.  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|         | Hygrothermal<br>comfort         | FITNICE <sup>®</sup> holds Thermal Resistance<br>K/W according to EN 12667:2001.  | properties with a value <0,15 m <sup>2</sup>          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ш       | Acoustic<br>comfort             | FITNICE <sup>®</sup> holds Sound Insulation properties with a value between 12 – 15 dB according to EN ISO 10140-3:2011.  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| OF LII  | Visual<br>comfort               | FITNICE <sup>®</sup> product range offers color which contributes to visual comfort   | s with a low Reflection coefficient in the building.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| АШТҮ    | Olfactory<br>comfort            | Odor emissions have been quantifie determined as not relevant if used i   | ed according to PV 3900 standard,<br>nside a vehicle. |  |  |  |  |  |
| QU      | Electrostatic discharges        | Static Electricity measurement: ≤ 2.0   | 0 kV according to EN 1815:1997.                       |  |  |  |  |  |
|         | Antibacterial<br>activity       | Inhibition of bacterial growth according to ASTM E 2180-07(2012).<br>Antifungal activity according to ASTM G21:2013.  |   |  |  |  |  |  |

Moreover, FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor holds additional characteristics:

- Phthalate free: Phthalates are plasticizers widely used to get flexibility in PVC products. Some of them–not all–are considered very harmful. Going a step ahead, FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor range is free of Phthalates since 2014.
- Floorscore: FITNICE<sup>®</sup> Floor holds the prestigious FloorScore<sup>®</sup> certification for indoor air quality which guarantees low emission level of volatile substances.
- REACh Compliance certified and validated with ISO14001. Also, Health Product Declaration (HPD) is available upon request.
- Antimony free: Antimony compounds are prominent additives for improving fireretardant properties however they are considered carcinogenic in some countries.



Likewise for Phthalates, Vertisol goes one step ahead in replacing this component from FITNICE® Floor.

- Thermofixed: Warp and weft are welded in order to give more stability to the fabric and prevent fraying.
- Storng Yarn: FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor yarns are made of polyester with completely circular section covered with PVC. Some advantages of this type of spinning are high resistance to abrasion and high dimensional stability of the final product.
- Frayless: The inner polyester core used in PVC yarns is made of a single fiber (monofilament) to avoid fraying edges.

#### 3.4. Reference service life (RSL)

Reference Service Life (RSL) is not indicated in this EPD<sup>®</sup> as the use stage is not included in the system boundaries.

## 4. LCA: Calculation rules

#### 4.1. Declared unit

The declared unit for all FITNICE<sup>®</sup> family products is 1 m<sup>2</sup> of product packed, leaving the factory for its commercialization and including the transport to customer.

#### 4.2. System boundaries

The scope for the EPD<sup>®</sup> is "cradle-to-gate" with options (A4 included). Other stages are very dependent on particular scenarios and are better developed for specific building or construction works. Therefore, the current EPD<sup>®</sup> does not include the following modules: A5 (Installation), B1-B7 (Use), C1-C4 (End of life of the product) and Module D (Benefits and loads beyond the system boundary).

Following PCR 2012:01 V2.3 and Sub-PCR-F Resilient, textile and laminate floor coverings, Product stage modules A1 (Upstream processes); A2 and A3 (Core processes); and A4 (Transport to customer) of a construction product have been included, as follows:

- Module A1) Raw material supply considers the supply of raw materials and energy for the manufacturing of the product.
- Module A2) Transportation includes external transport of materials to the factory.
- Module A3) Manufacturing refers to processes for the manufacturing, assembling and packaging of the product. Ancillary products and packaging materials were included, as well as recycling processes at the factory, and treatment of waste generated from the manufacturing processes.
- Module A4) includes transport to customer.

In the next page, are shown the tables describing the assumed hypothesis for A4 stage, as well as the scope of the inventory performed in the LCA according to PCR 2012:01 version 2.3 Construction products and construction services and Sub-PCR-F Resilient, textile and laminate floor coverings.

| TRANSPORT TYPE | PARAMETERS                  | VALUE/DESCRIPTION          |
|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Truck          | Vehicle type and            | > 32 ton lorry EURO 6      |
|                | fuel consumption            | Diesel consumption of 31,1 |
|                | used for transport          | L/100 km                   |
|                |                             |                            |
|                | Distance                    | 1083 km                    |
|                | <b>Capacity utilisation</b> | 100% of the capacity       |
|                | (including                  | % of empty returns         |
|                | returning empty)            | assumed in Ecoinvent v 3.3 |
|                |                             |                            |
|                | Packaging                   | 103 g                      |
|                | Mass                        | 3113 g                     |

#### Table 5. Assumed hypothesis for A4 stage

Table 6. Scope of the inventory according to PCR 2012:01 version 2.3 Construction products and construction services.

| Product stage Construction process stage |           | Use stage     |           |                           |     |             |        | End of stage |               |                        |                       | Resource<br>recovery stage |           |                  |          |                                    |
|--|-----------|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----|-------------|--------|--------------|---------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------|------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| Raw materials                            | Transport | Manufacturing | Transport | Construction installation | Use | Maintenance | Repair | Replacement  | Refurbishment | Operational energy use | Operational water use | De-construction demolition | Transport | Waste processing | Disposal | Reuse-Recovery-Recycling-potential |
| A1                                       | A2        | A3            | A4        | A5                        | B1  | B2          | B3     | B4           | B5            | B6                     | B7                    | C1                         | C2        | C3               | C4       | D                                  |
| x  | х         | х             | х         | MND                       | MND | MND         | MND    | MND          | MND           | MND                    | MND                   | MND                        | MND       | MND              | MND      | MND                                |

X: Module accounted for MND: Module not determined

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Figure 2. Flow diagram with system boundaries, stages and processes for the production of 1m<sup>2</sup> of FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor covering.





#### 4.3. Geographical boundaries

Primary inventory data were provided by the manufacturer and are representative of the manufacturing processes of the product.

#### 4.4. Period under review

Data gathered from the companies engaged in the study refer to the production in 2015.

#### 4.5. Data quality

The data quality in the LCA followed the requirements in the referenced PCR document. Primary data collection were provided by the manufacturer, including all relevant foreground processes and flows, and were specific for the production sites. Secondary data were selected accordingly for background processes, with technological, geographical and temporary representativeness.

#### 4.6. Secondary data

Secondary data for the environmental analysis were obtained from the Ecoinvent database 3.2 (Wernet et al., 2016). The most similar processes to the ones in the production system were selected to model the production system.

The electricity production mix was specific for each manufacturing stage, according to the information provided by the manufacturer, the electricity mix of the distributor and the electricity mix in the country (REE, 2015).

The highest electricity consumption was for the manufacturing of woven yarn. The electricity production mix for each manufacturing process stage is presented in Figure 3. Global warming potential for the different electricity production mix (high voltage) at three stages were 0.459 kg  $CO_2$  eq./kWh, 0.261 kg  $CO_2$  eq./kWh and 0.260 kg  $CO_2$  eq./kWh respectively.



STAGE 3 – Product finishing and packing

*Figure 3. Electricity production mix in different stages.* 



In accordance with PCR, generic data were used for those chemicals for which environmental data were not available. The equivalent amounts of generic organic chemicals were used for stabilizers, filters and plasticizers; and the equivalent amount of generic inorganic chemical was used in substitution of smoke suppressant.

## 4.7. Cut-off rules

The inventory was developed considering all available data from the manufacturing processes, covering all raw materials use and energy consumption. Therefore, it can be assumed that neglected data were less than 5% of total mass and energy inflows in the upstream and core processes.

#### 4.8. Allocations

The product manufacturing produced only this product. All materials and energy consumption, as well as waste generated, were allocated to this only product.

#### 4.9. Environmental assessment methods

The indicators and impact categories selected for the environmental assessment were those indicated in PCR 2012:01 version 2.3 *Construction products and construction services,* using the environmental assessment methods CML-IA baseline version 4.1 and EDIP 2003.

The SimaPro program version 8.3 has been used for the environmental assessment, with Ecoinvent v3.3 LCA database.

#### 4.10. Comparability

The environmental performance of the product is comparable with the environmental performance of other similar products that has been calculated according to the construction products EN 15804+A1 standard and within the same environmental program.

EPD® of construction products may not be comparable if they do not comply with EN 15804.

Environmental product declarations within the same product category from different programs may not be comparable.





## 5. Environmental performance-related information

The environmental performance for the production of 1 m<sup>2</sup> of FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor family products is represented by Wicker and is presented in the following tables.

#### 5.1. Potential environmental impact

Table 7. Potential environmental impact results.

|  |         |                         |          | CORE F                     | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES |                            |                        |
|--|---------|-------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Impact category                            | Acronym | Unit                    | TOTAL    | Module A1<br>RAW MATERIALS | Module A2<br>TRANSPORTS | Module A3<br>MANUFACTURING | Module A4<br>TRANSPORT |
| Global warming potential, (GW100a)         | GWP     | kg CO₂ eq               | 9,03E+00 | 7,69E+00                   | 1,04E+00                | 1,57E-02                   | 2,79E-01               |
| Ozone layer depletion potential            | ODP     | kg CFC-11 eq            | 7,31E-07 | 4,72E-07                   | 2,00E-07                | 2,47E-10                   | 5,83E-08               |
| Acidification potential                    | AP      | kg SO₂ eq               | 3,47E-02 | 3,14E-02                   | 2,56E-03                | 7,73E-05                   | 7,20E-04               |
| Eutrophication potential                   | EP      | kg PO₄ <sup>3-</sup> eq | 7,26E-03 | 6,57E-03                   | 5,23E-04                | 1,55E-05                   | 1,44E-04               |
| Photochemical oxidation potential          | POP     | kg C₂H₄ eq              | 2,24E-03 | 2,03E-03                   | 1,62E-04                | 5,68E-06                   | 4,37E-05               |
| Abiotic depletion potential (elements)     | ADPe    | kg Sb eq                | 1,23E-05 | 8,70E-06                   | 3,00E-06                | 6,62E-08                   | 5,66E-07               |
| Abiotic depletion potential (fossil fuels) | ADPf    | MJ                      | 1,89E+02 | 1,66E+02                   | 1,70E+01                | 4,31E-01                   | 4,88E+00               |





## 5.2. Use of resources

Table 8. Use of resources results.

|  |      | TOTAL    | UPSTREAM<br>PROCESSES | CORE F     | PROCESSES     | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES |
|--|------|----------|-----------------------|------------|---------------|-------------------------|
|  |      | TOTAL    | Module A1             | Module A2  | Module A3     | Module A4               |
| Impact category  | Unit |          | RAW MATERIALS         | TRANSPORTS | MANUFACTURING | TRANSPORT               |
| Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials                       | MJ   | 9,96E+00 | 9,62E+00              | 3,75E-02   | 2,94E-01      | 1,01E-02                |
| Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials  | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Total use of renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials)      | MJ   | 9,96E+00 | 9,62E+00              | 3,75E-02   | 2,94E-01      | 1,01E-02                |
| Use of non- renewable primary energy excluding non- renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials             | MJ   | 1,89E+02 | 1,66E+02              | 1,70E+01   | 4,31E-01      | 4,88E+00                |
| Use of non- renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Total use of non- renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials) | MJ   | 1,89E+02 | 1,66E+02              | 1,70E+01   | 4,31E-01      | 4,88E+00                |
| Use of secondary material  | kg   | 9,20E-02 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 9,20E-02      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of renewable secondary fuels   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of non-renewable secondary fuels   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of net fresh water   | m³   | 5,10E-02 | 4,66E-02              | 3,27E-03   | 1,81E-05      | 1,11E-03                |
| Direct use of water in the core process  | m³   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00              | 0.00E+00   | 0.00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |





## 5.3. Other indicators describing waste categories

Table 9. Other indicators results.

|  |      |  | UPSTREAM PROCESSES         | TREAM PROCESSES CORE PR |                            | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES |
|--|------|--|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Impact category  | Unit | TOTAL                                      | Module A1<br>RAW MATERIALS | Module A2<br>TRANSPORTS | Module A3<br>MANUFACTURING | Module A4<br>TRANSPORT  |
| Non-hazardous waste  | Kg   | 1,02E+00                                   | 3,64E-01                   | 9,16E-01                | -6,73E-01                  | 4,09E-01                |
| Unerse de la constante | Ka   | ,<br>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | 4 245 04                   | ,<br>0.045.00           | ,<br>1 025 07              | 2 205 00                |
| Hazardous waste  | Кg   | 1,42E-04                                   | 1,31E-04                   | 9,04E-06                | 1,93E-07                   | 2,29E-06                |
| Radioactive waste  | kg   | 4,50E-04                                   | 3,01E-04                   | 1,16E-04                | -1,16E-07                  | 3,41E-05                |
| Components for re-use  | kg   | 9,95E-04                                   | 0.00E+00                   | 9,95E-04                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Materials for recycling  | kg   | 3,62E-02                                   | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 3,62E-02                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Materials for energy recovery  | kg   | 0,00E+00                                   | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Exported energy (electricity)  | MJ   | 0,00E+00                                   | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Exported energy (electricity)  | MJ   | 0,00E+00                                   | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |





## 6. Interpretation of results

The current EPD<sup>®</sup> represents FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor Wicker and it is also representative for<sup>1</sup>: Chroma, Panama and Memphis. Results from the LCA for FITNICE<sup>®</sup> floor family products showed that Module A1-Raw materials made the highest contributions to all impact categories selected, with contributions between 65% and 91% of impact category total impact. Module A2-Transport was the second contributor and made impacts between 7% and 27% of total impacts. Module A3-Manufacturing made negligible impacts, being the highest for Abiotic depletion potential 0.5% of impact category total impact. Module A4-Transport from factory to costumer made contributions to impact categories total impact between 2% and 8%, being the highest impacts to Ozone layer depletion potential. In Module A1, raw materials contributions were between 43% and 85%, and energy resources contributions were between 15% and 57%. In Module A2-Transport, the product material transport to the factory made most of the impacts to all impact categories (between 99.4% and 99.6%), meanwhile packaging transport was a negligible impact (between 0.4% and 0.6%).



Figure 4. Relative module contribution to impact categories.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Products with a variation in their impacts lower than 10% compared with FITNICE® Wicker

## 7. EPD<sup>®</sup> modifications regarding the previous version

The current EPD<sup>®</sup> has been adapted to PCR 2012:01 version 2.3 Construction products and construction services, and Sub-PCR-F Resilient, textile and laminate floor coverings.

It has been added to the EPD<sup>®</sup> the product ranges FITNICE<sup>®</sup> POBO Rolls & Tiles and FITNICE<sup>®</sup> POBO Raised Access Floor Tiles.

With regard to the environmental results of the reference product FITNICE<sup>®</sup> Wicker, it has been corrected the values of A3 module (Manufacturing) for the following indicators: Ozone layer depletion and Use of net fresh water; and the values of the entire stages of total life cycle for the resources use indicators concerning Renewable primary energy resources and Non-renewable primary energy resources consumption.

Likewise, it also has been corrected the environmental results of the product FITNICE<sup>®</sup> Raised Access Floor Tiles for the entire stages of the total life cycle for the resources use indicators concerning Renewable primary energy resources and Non-renewable primary energy resources consumption.

**EPD**<sup>®</sup>

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## ANNEX I: ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE OF FITNICE® RAISED ACCESS FLOOR TILES

#### Potential environmental impact

Table AI-1. Potential environmental impact results.

|  |         |                         |          | UPSTREAM PROCESSES         | CORE                    | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES    |                        |
|--|---------|-------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Impact category                            | Acronym | Unit                    | TOTAL    | Module A1<br>RAW MATERIALS | Module A2<br>TRANSPORTS | Module A3<br>MANUFACTURING | Module A4<br>TRANSPORT |
| Global warming potential, (GW100a)         | GWP     | kg CO₂ eq               | 1,18E+01 | 1,01E+01                   | 1,28E+00                | 2,63E-02                   | 3,69E-01               |
| Ozone layer depletion potential            | ODP     | kg CFC-11 eq            | 8,65E-07 | 5,39E-07                   | 2,47E-07                | 3,17E-09                   | 7,69E-08               |
| Acidification potential                    | AP      | kg SO₂ eq               | 4,59E-02 | 4,17E-02                   | 3,14E-03                | 1,49E-04                   | 9,50E-04               |
| Eutrophication potential                   | EP      | kg PO₄ <sup>3-</sup> eq | 9,14E-03 | 8,27E-03                   | 6,43E-04                | 3,81E-05                   | 1,90E-04               |
| Photochemical oxidation potential          | POP     | kg C₂H₄ eq              | 2,97E-03 | 2,71E-03                   | 1,99E-04                | 8,54E-06                   | 5,77E-05               |
| Abiotic depletion potential (elements)     | ADPe    | kg Sb eq                | 1,58E-05 | 1,13E-05                   | 3,69E-06                | 8,11E-08                   | 7,47E-07               |
| Abiotic depletion potential (fossil fuels) | ADPf    | MJ                      | 2,47E+02 | 2,19E+02                   | 2,09E+01                | 7,37E-01                   | 6,44E+00               |





## Use of resources

Table AI-2. Use of resources results.

|  |      | 70741    | UPSTREAM<br>PROCESSES | CORE I     | PROCESSES     | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES |
|--|------|----------|-----------------------|------------|---------------|-------------------------|
|  |      | IOTAL    | Module A1             | Module A2  | Module A3     | Module A4               |
| Impact category  | Unit |          | RAW MATERIALS         | TRANSPORTS | MANUFACTURING | TRANSPORT               |
| Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials                       | MJ   | 1,19E+01 | 1,12E+01              | 2,90E-01   | 2,83E-01      | 9,93E-02                |
| Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials  | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Total use of renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials)      | MJ   | 1,19E+01 | 1,12E+01              | 2,90E-01   | 2,83E-01      | 9,93E-02                |
| Use of non- renewable primary energy excluding non- renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials             | MJ   | 2,47E+02 | 2,19E+02              | 2,09E+01   | 7,37E-01      | 6,44E+00                |
| Use of non- renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Total use of non- renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials) | MJ   | 2,47E+02 | 2,19E+02              | 2,09E+01   | 7,37E-01      | 6,44E+00                |
| Use of secondary material  | kg   | 9,20E-02 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 9,20E-02      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of renewable secondary fuels   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of non-renewable secondary fuels   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of net fresh water   | m³   | 6,33E-02 | 5,75E-02              | 4,04E-03   | 3,27E-04      | 1,47E-03                |
| Direct use of water in the core process  | m³   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00              | 0.00E+00   | 0.00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |





## Other indicators describing waste categories

Table AI-3. Other indicators results.

|                               |      |          | UPSTREAM PROCESSES CORE PROCESSES |           | PROCESSES                  | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES |
|-------------------------------|------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Impact category               | Unit | IOTAL    | Module A1<br>RAW MATERIALS        | Module A2 | Module A3<br>MANUFACTURING | Module A4<br>TRANSPORT  |
|                               |      |          |                                   |           |                            |                         |
| Non-hazardous waste           | Kg   | 2,73E+00 | 4,46E-01                          | 1,13E+00  | 6,17E-01                   | 5,40E-01                |
| Hazardous waste               | Kg   | 1,52E-04 | 1,37E-04                          | 1,11E-05  | 3,14E-07                   | 3,03E-06                |
| Radioactive waste             | kg   | 5,18E-04 | 3,28E-04                          | 1,42E-04  | 2,00E-06                   | 4,50E-05                |
| Components for re-use         | kg   | 9,95E-04 | 0.00E+00                          | 9,95E-04  | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Materials for recycling       | kg   | 5,14E-02 | 0.00E+00                          | 0.00E+00  | 5,14E-02                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Materials for energy recovery | kg   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00                          | 0.00E+00  | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Exported energy (electricity) | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00                          | 0.00E+00  | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Exported energy (electricity) | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00                          | 0.00E+00  | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |





## ANNEX II: ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE OF FITNICE® POBO Rolls & Tiles

## Potential environmental impact

Table All-1. Potential environmental impact results.

|  |         |                                     |          | UPSTREAM PROCESSES         | CORE F                  | PROCESSES                  | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES |
|--|---------|-------------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Impact category                            | Acronym | Unit                                | TOTAL    | Module A1<br>RAW MATERIALS | Module A2<br>TRANSPORTS | Module A3<br>MANUFACTURING | Module A4<br>TRANSPORT  |
| Global warming potential, (GW100a)         | GWP     | kg CO₂ eq                           | 1,00E+01 | 8,91E+00                   | 8,15E-01                | 2,94E-02                   | 2,78E-01                |
| Ozone layer depletion potential            | ODP     | kg CFC-11 eq                        | 7,17E-07 | 5,08E-07                   | 1,53E-07                | 2,12E-09                   | 5,39E-08                |
| Acidification potential                    | AP      | kg SO₂ eq                           | 3,69E-02 | 3,49E-02                   | 1,40E-03                | 1,92E-04                   | 4,85E-04                |
| Eutrophication potential                   | EP      | kg PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>3-</sup> eq | 6,86E-03 | 6,56E-03                   | 1,87E-04                | 5,08E-05                   | 6,44E-05                |
| Photochemical oxidation potential          | POP     | kg C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> eq | 2,33E-03 | 2,19E-03                   | 9,39E-05                | 1,10E-05                   | 3,23E-05                |
| Abiotic depletion potential (elements)     | ADPe    | kg Sb eq                            | 2,16E-06 | 1,01E-06                   | 3,23E-09                | 1,15E-06                   | 1,14E-09                |
| Abiotic depletion potential (fossil fuels) | ADPf    | MJ                                  | 2,11E+02 | 1,93E+02                   | 1,25E+01                | 6,78E-01                   | 4,41E+00                |





## Use of resources

Table All-2. Use of resources results.

|  |      | TOTAL    | UPSTREAM<br>PROCESSES | CORE I     | PROCESSES     | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES |
|--|------|----------|-----------------------|------------|---------------|-------------------------|
|  |      | TOTAL    | Module A1             | Module A2  | Module A3     | Module A4               |
| Impact category  | Unit |          | RAW MATERIALS         | TRANSPORTS | MANUFACTURING | TRANSPORT               |
| Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials                       | MJ   | 1,17E+01 | 1,13E+01              | 3,48E-02   | 2,94E-01      | 1,23E-02                |
| Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials  | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Total use of renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials)      | MJ   | 1,17E+01 | 1,13E+01              | 3,48E-02   | 2,94E-01      | 1,23E-02                |
| Use of non- renewable primary energy excluding non- renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials             | MJ   | 2,11E+02 | 1,93E+02              | 1,25E+01   | 6,78E-01      | 4,41E+00                |
| Use of non- renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Total use of non- renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials) | MJ   | 2,11E+02 | 1,93E+02              | 1,25E+01   | 6,78E-01      | 4,41E+00                |
| Use of secondary material  | kg   | 1,12E-01 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 1,12E-01      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of renewable secondary fuels   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of non-renewable secondary fuels   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of net fresh water   | m³   | 5,31E-02 | 5,16E-02              | 9,01E-04   | 3,17E-04      | 3,18E-04                |
| Direct use of water in the core process  | m³   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00              | 0.00E+00   | 0.00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |





## Other indicators describing waste categories

Table All-3. Other indicators results.

|                               |      | TOTAL    | UPSTREAM PROCESSES         | CORE F                  | PROCESSES                  | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES |
|-------------------------------|------|----------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Impact category               | Unit | TOTAL    | Module A1<br>RAW MATERIALS | Module A2<br>TRANSPORTS | Module A3<br>MANUFACTURING | Module A4<br>TRANSPORT  |
| Non-hazardous waste           | Kg   | 2,51E+00 | 4,10E-01                   | 1,04E+00                | 5,68E-01                   | 4,97E-01                |
| Hazardous waste               | Kg   | 1,40E-04 | 1,26E-04                   | 1,02E-05                | 2,89E-07                   | 2,79E-06                |
| Radioactive waste             | kg   | 4,77E-04 | 3,02E-04                   | 1,31E-04                | 1,84E-06                   | 4,14E-05                |
| Components for re-use         | kg   | 1,21E-03 | 0.00E+00                   | 1,21E-03                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Materials for recycling       | kg   | 4,39E-02 | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 4,39E-02                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Materials for energy recovery | kg   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Exported energy (electricity) | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Exported energy (electricity) | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |





## ANNEX III: ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE OF FITNICE® POBO Raised Access Floor Tiles

#### Potential environmental impact

Table AIII-1. Potential environmental impact results.

|  |         |                         |          | UPSTREAM PROCESSES         | CORE I                  | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES    |                        |
|--|---------|-------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Impact category                            | Acronym | Unit                    | IOTAL    | Module A1<br>RAW MATERIALS | Module A2<br>TRANSPORTS | Module A3<br>MANUFACTURING | Module A4<br>TRANSPORT |
| Global warming potential, (GW100a)         | GWP     | kg CO₂ eq               | 1,32E+01 | 1,18E+01                   | 1,02E+00                | 2,96E-02                   | 3,41E-01               |
| Ozone layer depletion potential            | ODP     | kg CFC-11 eq            | 8,16E-07 | 5,57E-07                   | 1,91E-07                | 2,13E-09                   | 6,60E-08               |
| Acidification potential                    | AP      | kg SO₂ eq               | 4,83E-02 | 4,58E-02                   | 1,75E-03                | 1,92E-04                   | 5,95E-04               |
| Eutrophication potential                   | EP      | kg PO₄ <sup>3-</sup> eq | 8,66E-03 | 8,29E-03                   | 2,33E-04                | 5,70E-05                   | 7,89E-05               |
| Photochemical oxidation potential          | POP     | kg C₂H₄ eq              | 3,09E-03 | 2,93E-03                   | 1,17E-04                | 1,10E-05                   | 3,95E-05               |
| Abiotic depletion potential (elements)     | ADPe    | kg Sb eq                | 3,51E-06 | 2,35E-06                   | 4,03E-09                | 1,15E-06                   | 1,40E-09               |
| Abiotic depletion potential (fossil fuels) | ADPf    | MJ                      | 2,80E+02 | 2,58E+02                   | 1,56E+01                | 6,79E-01                   | 5,41E+00               |





## Use of resources

Table AIII-2. Use of resources results.

|  |      | TOTAL    | UPSTREAM<br>PROCESSES | CORE I     | PROCESSES     | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES |
|--|------|----------|-----------------------|------------|---------------|-------------------------|
|  |      | TOTAL    | Module A1             | Module A2  | Module A3     | Module A4               |
| Impact category  | Unit |          | RAW MATERIALS         | TRANSPORTS | MANUFACTURING | TRANSPORT               |
| Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials                       | MJ   | 1,25E+01 | 1,22E+01              | 4,35E-02   | 2,95E-01      | 1,51E-02                |
| Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials  | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Total use of renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials)      | MJ   | 1,25E+01 | 1,22E+01              | 4,35E-02   | 2,95E-01      | 1,51E-02                |
| Use of non- renewable primary energy excluding non- renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials             | MJ   | 2,80E+02 | 2,58E+02              | 1,56E+01   | 6,79E-01      | 5,41E+00                |
| Use of non- renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Total use of non- renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials) | MJ   | 2,80E+02 | 2,58E+02              | 1,56E+01   | 6,79E-01      | 5,41E+00                |
| Use of secondary material  | kg   | 1,04E-01 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 1,04E-01      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of renewable secondary fuels   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of non-renewable secondary fuels   | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00              | 0,00E+00   | 0,00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |
| Use of net fresh water   | m³   | 6,64E-02 | 6,46E-02              | 1,12E-03   | 3,18E-04      | 3,89E-04                |
| Direct use of water in the core process  | m³   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00              | 0.00E+00   | 0.00E+00      | 0,00E+00                |





## Other indicators describing waste categories

Table AIII-3. Other indicators results.

|                               |      | TOTAL    | UPSTREAM PROCESSES         | CORE F                  | PROCESSES                  | DOWNSTREAM<br>PROCESSES |
|-------------------------------|------|----------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Impact category               | Unit | TOTAL    | Module A1<br>RAW MATERIALS | Module A2<br>TRANSPORTS | Module A3<br>MANUFACTURING | Module A4<br>TRANSPORT  |
| Non-hazardous waste           | Kg   | 3,09E+00 | 5,04E-01                   | 1,28E+00                | 6,97E-01                   | 6,10E-01                |
| Hazardous waste               | Kg   | 1,71E-04 | 1,55E-04                   | 1,25E-05                | 3,55E-07                   | 3,42E-06                |
| Radioactive waste             | kg   | 5,84E-04 | 3,71E-04                   | 1,60E-04                | 2,26E-06                   | 5,09E-05                |
| Components for re-use         | kg   | 1,12E-03 | 0.00E+00                   | 1,12E-03                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Materials for recycling       | kg   | 5,81E-02 | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 5,81E-02                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Materials for energy recovery | kg   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Exported energy (electricity) | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |
| Exported energy (electricity) | MJ   | 0,00E+00 | 0.00E+00                   | 0.00E+00                | 0.00E+00                   | 0,00E+00                |