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Gaco Flex A4700 Acrylic Roof Coating

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General Information

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Product Name:	Gaco Flex A4700 Acrylic Roof Coating
Functional Unit:	1 m2 of covered and protected roofing membrane for a period of 20 years.
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EPD Scope:	Cradle to gate with other options A1 - A3, A4, A5, B1 - B7, C1 - C4
Market(s) of Applicability:	North America

General Organization Information

Gaco is a leading provider of building envelope solutions with a legacy dating back to 1955. Originally founded by Ed Gates, the company began with innovative liquid neoprene coatings and has since grown into a trusted industry leader. Gaco offers a proven portfolio of products designed to adhere, seal, and protect every level of the building envelope. With a strong commitment to customer success and on-demand technical support, Gaco continues to deliver reliable solutions from the ground up.

Limitations, Liability and Ownership

Environmental declarations from different programs (ISO 14025) may not be comparable. Comparison of the environmental performance of products using EPD information shall be based on the product's use and impacts at the building level, and therefore EPDs may not be used for comparability purposes when not considering the whole building life cycle. EPD comparability is only possible when all stages of a life cycle have been considered. However, variations and deviations are possible. Example of variations: Different LCA software and background LCI datasets may lead to differences results for upstream or downstream of the life cycle stages declared. The EPD owner has sole ownership, liability, and responsibility for the EPD.

A manufacturer shall not make claims based on an industry-average EPD which leads the market to believe the industry-average is representative of manufacturer-specific or product-specific results.

Reference Standards

Standard(s):	ISO 14025 and ISO 21930
Core PCR:	NSF Product Category Rules for Roof Coatings: NAICS 324122 & 325510
	Date of issue: November 01, 2024
	Valid until: November 01, 2029
Sub-category PCR review panel:	📄 Contact Smart EPD for more information.
General Program Instructions:	📄 Smart EPD General Program Instructions v.2.0, March 2025

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Product Information

Functional Unit: 1 m2 of covered and protected roofing membrane for a period of 20 years.
 Mass: 0,8569 kg
 Reference Service Life: 20 Years
 Product Specificity:
 ✗ Product Average
 ✓ Product Specific

Product Description

The GacoFlex A4700 roof coating system is a fluid-applied acrylic coating designed for the maintenance and renewal of existing roof surfaces. The system is applied as a **primer plus topcoat configuration**, providing strong adhesion and long-term weather resistance.

- **Primer:** GacoPrime – Low VOC Primer, applied to promote adhesion to the substrate.
- **Topcoat:** A4700 Acrylic Roof Coating, applied directly over the primer as the protective and functional layer.

GacoFlex A4700 can be installed over a wide range of roof substrates, including weathered single-ply membranes, metal, sprayed-in-place polyurethane foam, and asphalt membranes. It is designed to restore and extend the service life of existing roofs without requiring a separate basecoat layer.

Product Specifications

Product Classification Codes: UNCPC - 5453
 EC3 - ThermalMoistureProtection -> DampproofingAndWaterproofing
 Product Thickness: 12 mm

Material Composition

Material/Component Category	Origin	% Mass
Additives	United States of America	2-10
Fillers	United States of America	25-50
Neutralizer	United States of America	0-2

Material/Component Category	Origin	% Mass
Pigments	United States of America	2-10
Resins	United States of America	25-50
Solvent	United States of America	0-2
Water	United States of America	10-25

Packaging Material	Origin	kg Mass
4-1GALC - BOXES, N/A (Cardboard)	EUR	0.0000121
5GR-LG - 5 GALLON LIGHT GRAY STEEL PAIL, N/A (Steel)	EUR	0.0000597
1GLR-W - LABEL, N/A (Plastic Im)	EUR	0.0000052
5PP-B - 5 GALLON WHITE PLASTIC PAIL, N/A (HDPE)	EUR	0.000506

Biogenic Carbon Content	kg C per m2
Biogenic carbon content in product	0.00117
Biogenic carbon content in accompanying packaging	0.00000561

Hazardous Materials
No regulated hazardous or dangerous substances are included in this product.

EPD Data Specificity

- Primary Data Year: 2024
- Manufacturing Specificity:
- Industry Average
 - Manufacturer Average
 - Facility Specific

Averaging:
Averaging was not conducted for this EPD.

System Boundary

Production	A1	Raw material supply	✓
	A2	Transport	✓
	A3	Manufacturing	✓

Construction	A4	Transport to site	✓
	A5	Assembly / Install	✓
Use	B1	Use	✓
	B2	Maintenance	✓
	B3	Repair	✓
	B4	Replacement	✓
	B5	Refurbishment	✓
	B6	Operational Energy Use	✓
	B7	Operational Water Use	✓
End of Life	C1	Deconstruction	✓
	C2	Transport	✓
	C3	Waste Processing	✓
	C4	Disposal	✓
Benefits & Loads Beyond System Boundary	D	Recycling, Reuse Recovery Potential	ND

Note:

ND = Module not declared

Plants

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Product Flow Diagram



Software And Database

LCA Software:

Emidat v. 1.0

LCI Foreground Database(s):

Ecoinvent v. 3.10

LCI Background Database(s):

Ecoinvent v. 3.10

A foreground LCI database is the database used to model the primary, site-specific data collected for this EPD. A background LCI database is the database used to model generic or non-specific data.

Data Quality

The overall data representativeness is rated as fair with an overall score of 3,36/5.

Life Cycle Module Description

Stage of Material Production and Construction

Module A1: Extraction and processing of raw materials (e.g., polymers, fillers, solvents) used in the roof coating formulation.

Module A2: Transportation of all raw materials and intermediates to the production facility.

Module A3: Production of the roof coating, including mixing, packaging, and waste treatment.

Module A4: Distribution of the finished roof coating from the factory to the construction site.

Module A5: On-site application of the coating, including packaging waste disposal.

Use Stage

Module B1: Release of emissions during the drying of roof coatings, depending on the coating type.

Module B2: Inspections or touch-ups. Set to zero for passive systems like coatings.

Module B3: Localized reapplication of coating to restore function, using negligible quantities of the original or compatible product. Set to zero.

Module B4: Complete reapplication of the coating at the end of its service life, similar to A5.

Module B5: Refurbishment, usually not applicable for roof coatings and reported as zero.

Module B6: Operational Energy Use: Set to zero, as roof coatings do not consume energy during use.

Module B7: Operational Water Use: Also set to zero, since the coating does not require water in use.

Disposal Stage

Module C1: Removal of the coating at end-of-life or during roof replacement, often manually.

Module C2: Transport of removed coating waste to a landfill or treatment facility.

Module C3: Incineration of waste with energy recovery.

Module C4: Final disposal of waste in a sanitary landfill.

LCA Discussion

Allocation Procedure

In accordance with ISO 21930:2017, Section 7.2.4, the allocation of co-products and secondary flows within the system boundary is applied systematically across all life cycle stages. For plant-level elementary flows - such as energy and fuels, ancillary materials, wastewater, and waste - mass allocation is applied to the declared unit. This ensures that shared inputs and emissions are proportionally assigned based on the production output.

Cut-off Procedure

In line with ISO and PCR requirements, the total of neglected input flows does not exceed 5% of the total mass and energy usage for any life cycle module. The following processes are also excluded:

- Manufacture of means of production, buildings or other capital goods;
- Transportation of personnel to the plant;
- Transportation of personnel within the plant;
- Research and development activities;
- Long-term emissions.

Renewable Electricity

Energy Attribute Certificates (EACs) such as Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) or Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) are included in the baseline reported results: ✘ No

Scenarios

Transport to the building/construction site (A4)

A4 Module

Vehicle Type:	transport, freight, lorry >32 metric ton, EURO6
Transport Distance:	904,00 km
Capacity Utilization:	53,30 %
Weight of products transported:	0,86 kg
Energy demand:	1,58 MJ/t*km

Installation in to the building/construction site (A5)

A5 Module

Treatment of Cardboard waste :	Incineration
Treatment of Steel waste :	Incineration
Treatment of Plastic film waste :	Recycling
Treatment of HDPE waste :	Incineration
Installation loss:	5,00 %

Use (B1)

B1 Module

NM VOC emissions per drying process:	0,05 kg/liter
Number of drying processes:	2,00

Replacement (B4)

B4 Module

Reference Service Life:	20 Years
Replacement Cycle:	1 (ESL/RSL)-1
Product lifetime:	15,00 years

Results

Environmental Impact Assessment Results

IPCC AR5 GWP 100, TRACI 2.1

LCIA results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks.

Impact Category	Method	Indicator	A1A2A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	
GWP-total	IPCC AR5 GWP 100	ND	1.89e+0	7.94e-2	1.04e-1	0	0	0	2.17e+0	0	0	0	0	1.97e-2	0	0	7.65e-2
ODP	TRACI 2.1	ND	3.64e-8	1.37e-9	1.90e-9	0	0	0	4.02e-8	0	0	0	0	3.13e-10	0	0	2.55e-10
AP	TRACI 2.1	ND	7.14e-3	1.78e-4	3.69e-4	0	0	0	7.83e-3	0	0	0	0	8.27e-5	0	0	6.11e-5
EP	TRACI 2.1	ND	1.58e-2	8.26e-5	2.66e-3	0	0	0	5.60e-2	0	0	0	0	3.33e-5	0	0	3.74e-2
POCP	TRACI 2.1	ND	1.13e-1	3.80e-3	5.95e-3	2.17e-1	0	0	1.27e-1	0	0	0	0	2.06e-3	0	0	1.72e-3

Note:

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Abbreviations:

GWP = Global Warming Potential, 100 years (may also be denoted as GWP-total, GWP-fossil (fossil fuels), GWP-biogenic (biogenic sources), GWP-luluc (land use and land use change), ODP = Ozone Depletion Potential, AP = Acidification Potential, EP = Eutrophication Potential, SFP = Smog Formation Potential, POCP = Photochemical oxidant creation potential, ADP-Fossil = Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources, ADP-Minerals&Metals = Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources, WDP = Water deprivation potential, PM = Particulate Matter Emissions, IRP = Ionizing radiation, human health, ETP-fw = Eco-toxicity (freshwater), HTP-c = Human toxicity (cancer), HTP-nc = Human toxicity (non-cancer), SQP = Soil quality index.

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Resource Use Indicator

Indicator	Unit	A1A2A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4
PERE	MJ, net calorific value	1.18e+0	1.59e-2	5.98e-2	0	0	0	1.26e+0	0	0	0	0	7.10e-3	0	3.02e-3
PERM	MJ, net calorific value	5.54e-2	0	2.62e-3	0	0	0	5.81e-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PENRE	MJ, net calorific value	2.47e+1	1.21e+0	1.31e+0	0	0	0	2.77e+1	0	0	0	0	2.74e-1	0	2.12e-1
PENRM	MJ, net calorific value	7.63e+0	0	3.60e-1	0	0	0	7.99e+0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FW	m3	1.09e-2	1.78e-4	3.95e-4	0	0	0	8.33e-3	0	0	0	0	4.69e-5	0	-3.17e-3
SM	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RSF	MJ, net calorific value	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRSF	MJ, net calorific value	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RE	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Abbreviations:

RPRE or PERE = Renewable primary resources used as energy carrier (fuel), RPRM or PERM = Renewable primary resources with energy content used as material, RPRT or PERT = Total use of renewable primary resources with energy content, NRPRE or PENRE = Non-renewable primary resources used as an energy carrier (fuel), NRPRM or PENRM = Non-renewable primary resources with energy content used as material, NRPRT or PENRT = Total non-renewable primary resources with energy content, SM = Secondary materials, RSF = Renewable secondary fuels, NRSF = Non-renewable secondary fuels, RE = Recovered energy, ADPF = Abiotic depletion potential, FW = Use of net freshwater resources, VOCs = Volatile Organic Compounds.

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Waste and Output Flow Indicators

Indicator	Unit	A1A2A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4
HWD	kg	1.38e-2	0	4.35e-2	0	0	0	9.14e-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.57e-1
NHWD	kg	2.07e-2	0	1.61e-3	0	0	0	2.23e-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HLRW	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ILLRW	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CRU	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MFR	kg	3.86e-3	0	1.98e-4	0	0	0	4.06e-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MER	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EE	MJ	2.53e-1	0	2.01e-2	0	0	0	2.73e-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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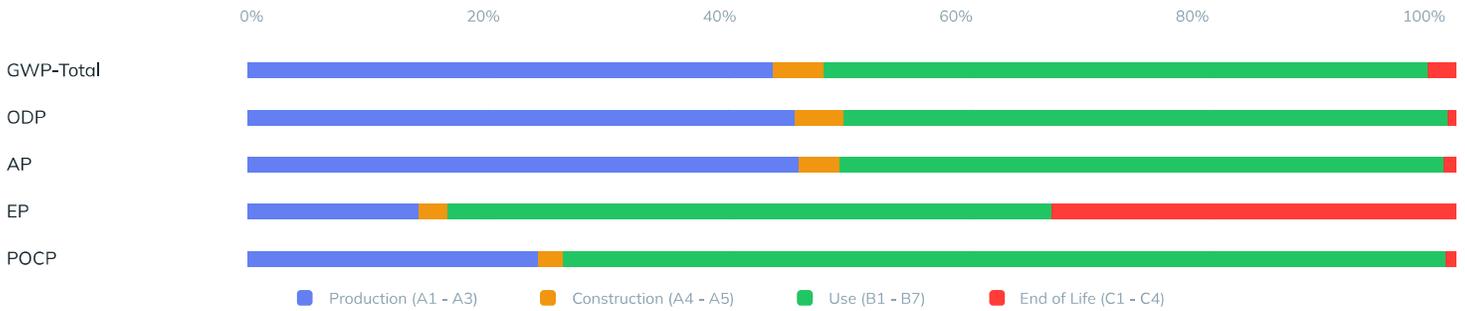
Abbreviations:

HWD = Hazardous waste disposed, NHWD = Non-hazardous waste disposed, RWD = Radioactive waste disposed, HLRW = High-level radioactive waste, ILLRW = Intermediate- and low-level radioactive waste, CRU = Components for re-use, MFR or MR = Materials for recycling, MER = Materials for energy recovery, MNER = Materials for incineration, no energy recovery, EE or EEE = Recovered energy exported from the product system, EET = Exported thermal energy.

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Interpretation

Based on the results and study assumptions, methods, and data, the cradle-to-gate impacts (A1–A3) for the product represent approximately 40% of the total Global Warming Potential (GWP). The remaining impacts occur in later life-cycle stages.



References

Standards

- EN 14025: Environmental labels and declarations - Type III environmental declarations - Principles and procedures
- EN 14040: Environmental management - Life cycle assessment - Principles and framework
- EN 14044: Environmental management - Life cycle assessment - Requirements and guidelines
- DIN CEN/TR 15941: Sustainability of construction works - Environmental product declarations - Methodology for selection and use of generic data
- EN 15942: Sustainability of construction works - Environmental product declarations - Communication format business-to-business
- ISO 21930: Sustainability in buildings and civil engineering works - Core rules for environmental product declarations of construction products and services
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Further References

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