



# Environmental Product Declaration

In accordance with  
EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 and ISO 14025

**Solar Gard® LX  
(HILITE) series  
up to 8 mil**

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Europe and MEA/India  
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# 1. General Information

Manufacturer:	Saint-Gobain Solar Gard LLC, 4540 Viewridge Ave CA 92123 San Diego USA
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Site of manufacture:	San Diego Plant
Owner of the declaration:	Saint-Gobain Innovative Materials Belgium SA / Solar Gard Karreweg 18, 9870, Zulte, Belgium
Product / product family name and manufacturer represented:	Solar Gard® AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) manufactured in San Diego - <b>in total 1 product</b>
Reference Product:	<b>AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70</b> (supplied as roll with dimensions 150 cm wide and 30,5 m long)
UN CPC code:	36920 - Articles of Plastic n.e.c.
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## 2. Company Information

### Introduction to the Saint-Gobain Group

Saint-Gobain's purpose is "Making the World a Better Home". With this purpose, the Saint-Gobain Group takes on the ambition to improve everyone's lives by making the planet a fairer, more harmonious and sustainable living space. Through its business model generally and its solutions in particular, Saint-Gobain has a tangible impact on the life of each individual, their environment and their way of working, caring for themselves and getting around.

The Group's purpose is the link between the infinitely small unit of each person's living space and the infinitely large one of our shared home: the planet.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES

**166,000**  
EMPLOYEES

By committing to protect health and promote well-being, the Saint-Gobain Group affirms its desire to take action to maximize its positive impact and to avoid or to minimize any potential negative footprint related to its activity. With regard to its employees, this involves promoting a healthy working environment and taking action to protect their health.

#### SALES

**€44.2 bn**

With regard to customers and end users, this involves, in particular, ensuring the safe use of its solutions. With regard to local residents and communities around the Group's sites, this involves complying with applicable regulations and striving to go beyond them, collaborating with local public health agencies, or participating in the social development of communities.

### History of the Saint-Gobain Group

#### PRODUCTION

**800**  
INDUSTRIAL SITES  
AROUND THE WORLD

Saint-Gobain was founded in 1665 by Louis XIV, under the name of the "Royal Manufacture of Mirrors", in order to put an end to the technological and commercial supremacy of the Republic of Venice in the manufacturing of mirrors. Throughout the 19th century, the "Compagnie de Saint-Gobain" became a limited company and diversified its activities into sectors such as chemicals, glass products and the automotive industry. It quickly expanded into international markets, establishing itself in the United States in 1829, Germany in 1858, Italy in 1888 and Spain in 1905.

#### INNOVATION

**+400**  
PATENTS FILED  
EACH YEAR

In 1970, the Group invested heavily in research and development, withdrew from its chemical activities and merged with Pont-à-Mousson, created in 1856 and specialized in cast iron pipes.

#### R&D

**3,600**  
RESEARCHERS

In 1982 Saint-Gobain was nationalized. But only for a short period: in 1986 Saint-Gobain was again privatized and this was a huge popular success as 1,500,000 shareholders subscribed to the operation.

#### START-UP

**50**  
AGREEMENTS SIGNED IN 2021

In 1990, through the acquisition of NORTON®, the Group doubled its presence in the United States, opening up new markets and enabling it to develop its know-how.

In 2007, Saint-Gobain started to focus its strategy on sustainable housing, while continuing to serve many industrial markets and, thanks to its numerous locations, continued to expand in emerging countries.

2023, the Saint-Gobain Group has a commercial and/or manufacturing presence in approximately 75 countries.

## Saint-Gobain Products and Solutions

Saint-Gobain provides construction and renovation solutions for both residential and commercial buildings. These solutions meet the needs of professional and private customers both in terms of building interiors and the distribution of spaces and building envelope.

For its customers in mobility markets, Saint-Gobain produces glazing that provides daily safety and comfort for motorists, but also for the aeronautical and rail sectors, the maritime sector and industrial vehicles. The Group also offers solutions to improve the performance of electric vehicles (energy efficiency, well-being, safety and connectivity), distributes replacement automotive glazing on the independent market, designs and supplies bearings and tolerance rings.

Saint-Gobain also offers high-performance technological solutions such as airborne and ground radomes.

For all its industrial customers, and notably for the construction industry, Saint-Gobain draws on its technological competencies (materials science, formulation, design of glass applications, ceramics, abrasive solutions, performance polymers and fiberglass) and its expertise in multiple cutting-edge applications that use the particular properties of its materials (resistance to high temperatures, abrasion, chemical stability, surface properties, etc.).

Many solutions are co-developed with customers, notably in high-performance plastics and refractories for metallurgy or the glass industry.

Due to the extensive portfolio of products and solutions in a wide range of segments there are many brands under the Saint-Gobain umbrella.



## Solar Gard

Solar Gard builds on nearly 50 years of experience in the development and production of window films and has a presence in over 90 countries.

Solar Gard is a world leader in patented technologies for solar control and protective window film for both residential and commercial buildings, vehicles and public transport.

In 2011 Solar Gard became a part of Saint-Gobain as the “Thin Films” division. This allowed to cross-leverage sputtering technology that is used both for producing window films and low-E coatings on glass. In addition the integration created important synergies within the renovation and upgrade offering as well as in the mobility segment.

## Solar Gard Products and Solutions

The Solar Gard architectural solar films provide solutions for upgrading and enhancing the performance of existing glass and facades of homes and commercial buildings thus improving both winter and summer thermal comfort, increasing visual comfort and reducing the need for cooling.

The Solar Gard architectural safety films provide solutions for enhancing safety and security of existing glass and glass facades across all segments and reduces the risks of passengers, residents, employees being hurt by shreds of broken glass in the case of an explosion or any glass breakage and increases the level of protection in case of intrusion.

Solar Gard Anti-graffiti films are applied as sacrificial surface protection of surfaces against scratches, graffiti, etching, etc., be it glass or metal surfaces, in buildings but also in trains, trams.

## In concrete terms Solar Gard Solutions help to:

- Reduce energy consumption with a payback time of up to 3 years.
- Improve the comfort of the indoor climate and make it much more pleasant.
- Introduce sustainable solutions in the context of LEED/BREEAM or HQE label.
- Increase occupants wellbeing and productivity.
- Protect people from broken glass in the event of an accident, explosion or aggression.
- Secure a building against burglary/intrusion.
- Protect occupants against dangerous UVA and UVB radiation with an equivalent SPF of > 285.
- Protect an interior, museum or shop against fading and the negative consequences of UV-radiation.



# 3. Sustainability

## CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS

**- 23%**

REDUCTION  
FROM 2017 TO 2021\*

## WITHDRAWALS AVOIDED

**9.952 Mt**

OF NON-EXTRACTED  
VIRGIN RAW MATERIALS

## RESPONSIBLE PURCHASING

**100%**

OF PURCHASES  
COVERED BY THE  
SUPPLIERS' CHARTER\*\*

**Sustainability is a long standing commitment** for Saint-Gobain.

"Making the world a better home," is the most precious of headings for Saint-Gobain to follow.

Saint-Gobain is a multi-local organization, driven by the global aim of working each day to make the world a more beautiful and more sustainable place to live. It is reflected in the design and manufacture of solutions which are key ingredients in the well-being of each and the future of all, while taking care of the planet at the same time.

In addition to the multiple actions that have been implemented over the past years across Saint-Gobain sites world-wide, Saint-Gobain has set in 2021 an ambitious target of **Carbon neutrality by 2050**

In this roadmap, **2030 is an intermediate but crucial stage**. The Group is committed to reducing by then its direct and indirect CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 66% compared to 2017. In doing so, Saint-Gobain will make no concession toward the excellence of our products or our competitiveness.

Each year through to 2030, around €100 million is being reserved annually for industrial investments and research & development to reach these targets.

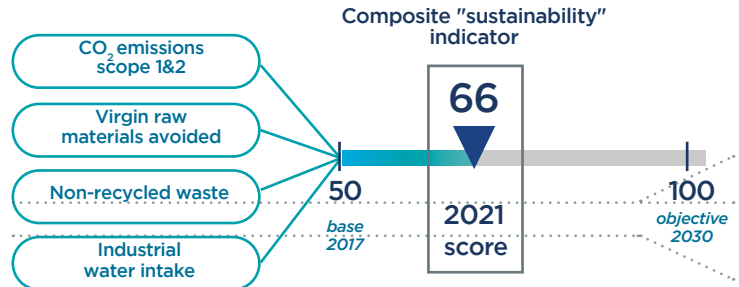
The Group have also adopted the target of reducing our Scope 3 (up and downstream from our operations) emissions by 16% by 2030 measured against the 2017 base line.

The Group also continues to reduce the water usage across all its sites and more in particular the Group is putting actions in place to reduce the water discharge by 80% vs the 2016 base line.

Also the sites in San Diego where the Solar Gard products are produced and the site in Belgium from which most products are supplied to Europe are working towards the Groups' targets.

**NET ZERO CARBON**

Technologies to decarbonize our processes



## 4. Product description and use

This Environmental Product Declaration (EPD®) describes the **environmental impact of 1 m<sup>2</sup> of installed Solar Gard LX (HILITE) series up to 8 mil.**

These products have a **warranty for the clear safety and solar safety films is 16 years.** (\*) The expected average service life longer provided that the specified conditions for installation, use and maintenance are followed.

The products covered in this EPD can be obtained in different dimensions, more in particular in different widths, (namely: 0,91 m wide, 1.22 m wide, 1.50 m wide).

The width of 1.50 m (=60") is a representative average and used as basis for the EPD.

As to the length: 100 ft (or 30,5 m) is the standard length. In some cases products with longer length are supplied (eg: 165 ft (50 m) or several custom-lengths) but these are in the same packaging as the standard 100 ft rolls. Hence, also for these products the reference is representative.

### The reference product

In total this EPD covers 1 product: 8 mil LX (HILITE).

**The reference product** for the group of products covered in this EPD is Solar Gard **AC 8 mil LX ( HILITE) 70** (supplied as roll of 1.52 m (60") wide and 30.5 m (100 ft) long).

If wished or required, detailed data for each and any of the products covered by this EPD can be obtained from SGIMB/Solar Gard.

### Product classification

All products covered in this EPD meet the requirements of EN 15752-1 "Glass in building - Adhesive backed polymeric film - Part 1: Definitions and requirements".

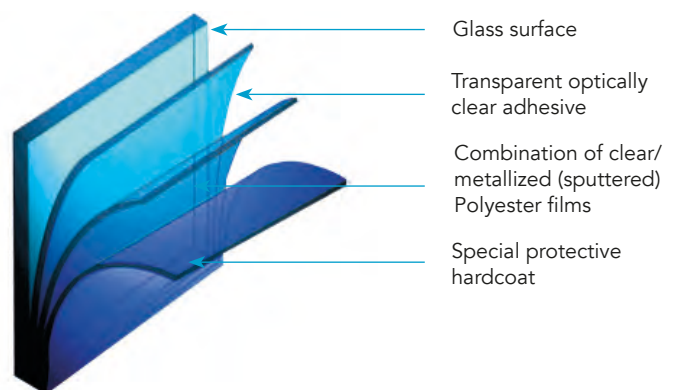
The products are classified according to ICS under 83.140.10 "Films and sheets" and according to Central Product Classification (CPC), United Nations, New York, 2015 under section "Self-adhesive plates, sheets, film, foil, tape, strip and other flat shapes, of plastics" 3919 (HS 2007) resp. 36920 (CPC2), 2220 (ISIC 4).

Table 1 gives an overview of the solar window films product references covered in this EPD.

### Product description and performance

The Solar Gard AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) consist of multiple layers of PET with a combination of metalized layers incorporated in the construction. The metalized layers are obtained through a process referred to as 'sputtering'.

The specific solar properties and esthetics of each product are obtained depending of the metal or the combination of metals used.



(\*) Warranty is subject to conditions. Up to date information can be found on [www.solargard.eu](http://www.solargard.eu)

**Table 1**

List of the solar window film products covered in this EPD. The table contains the commercial names and the base metal in the sputtered layer that gives the film its specific functionality.

Product Family	Sputtered Metal Layer	Nominal Thickness (µm)	Mounting Adhesive	Product Name	
Solar safety film	LX (HILITE) series	Gold and silver based	200	Acrylic safety PS	8 mil LX (HILITE) 70

Each of the solar films has a particular balance between visible light transmission, visible light reflection and heat rejection. All the window films covered in this EPD reject more than 99% of the damaging UV rays.

Which product to choose for a particular application depends on the needs and requirements but also on the type of glass to which the window film is going to be applied.

Solar Gard offers technical support to do comfort and thermal balance calculations including the analysis of risk for thermal breakage.

The reference product 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 has a total solar energy rejection (TSER) of 52% on single glass and 46% on an insulated glass unit (IGU) consisting of 2 standard clear panes. The Infrared Energy rejected (IRER) is 78% on single clear glass.

The table 2 gives an overview of the key solar energy protection performances of the films covered in this EPD. These values are based on spectral measurements and calculations according to EN 410. The fading protection is measured and calculated according to Twd-ISO.

**Table 2: Key performances**

Product Name	VLT (%)	VLR e/i (%)	TR (%)	IRER (%)	G-value	TSER (%)	SHGR (%)	TdW ISO (%)
AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70	72	9/9	41	78	0.48	52	44	48

In addition to the above light and solar energy performance characteristics, the products have other physical performance characteristics as given in table 3. Full details, including the performance on other glazing combinations can be found on <https://www.solargard.eu>.

**Table 3: Additional product characteristics**

AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 also meets the following requirements		
Chemical composition	Comply with REACH regulations	
Reaction to fire (European Construction Products Directive)	EN SBI 13238	B-s1, d0
Reaction to Fire ASTM	ASTM E84	Class A (or Type I)
Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)	EN ISO 16000 2,3 (2011) and 5,6 (2012)	Class A+
Abrasion resistance	Taber Abrasion (100 cycles, 1000 gr) ASTM D1003	<5%
Explosion resistance	ISO 16933, ASTM or GSA test protocols INERIS test protocol	See specific test reports
Impact resistance	EN 12600	1B1
VLT, VLR, solar and heat rejection	EN 15752-1 and EN 410	See table 2
UV rejection	EN 15752-1 and EN 410	>99%



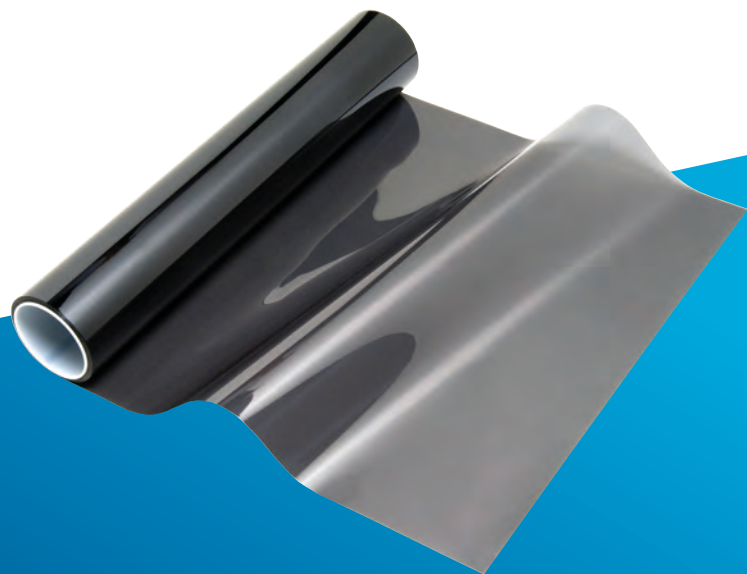
## Table 4: Content declarations

All raw materials composed the product and the packaging components are listed in the following table:

Product components	Weight (%)	Post-consumer material weight (%)	Renewable material weight (%)
Standard product AC 8 mil LX / 8 mil HILITE 70	100%	0%	0%
PET film	80%	0%	0%
Acrylic adhesive	10%	0%	0%
Coating	0,20%	0%	0%
Release Liner	10%	0%	0%
Packaging materials	Mass per declared unit (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Weight versus the product (%)	
Cardboard core	2,18 g/m <sup>2</sup>	1,9%	
Cardboard box	2,54 g/m <sup>2</sup>	2,2%	
Cardboard or HDPE end plug	0,05 g/m <sup>2</sup>	0,04%	
LDPE sleeves	0,23 g/m <sup>2</sup>	0,2%	
MDF end plates	0,70 g/m <sup>2</sup>	0,6%	
Pallet	4,88 g/m <sup>2</sup>	4,2%	
Shrink wrap	0,41 g/m <sup>2</sup>	0,3%	
Product	Weight kg/m <sup>2</sup>		
<b>Total product weight</b>	<b>0.344 kg/m<sup>2</sup></b>		

The products covered in this EPD do not contain any hazardous substance listed in the “Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) for authorization” version ECHA/NR/23/02 (dated January 2023).

The verifier and the program operator do not make any claim nor have any responsibility of the legality of the product.



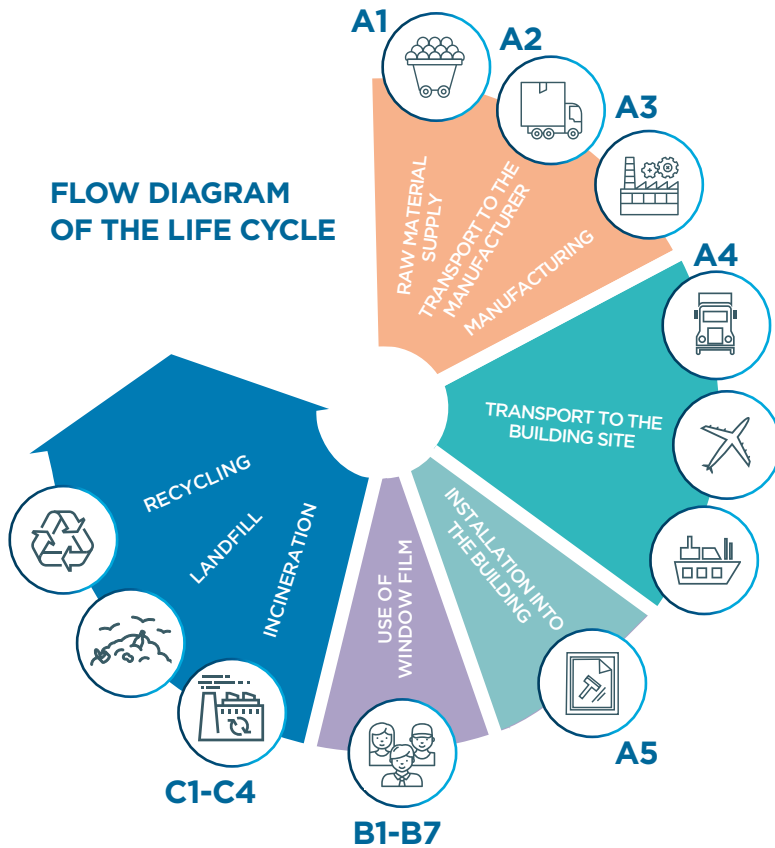
## 5. LCA calculation information

<b>EPD TYPE DECLARED</b>	Cradle to grave and module D
<b>DECLARED UNIT</b>	1 m <sup>2</sup> of installed window film
<b>SYSTEM BOUNDARIES</b>	Cradle to grave + Module D = A + B + C +D
<b>REFERENCE SERVICE LIFE (RSL)</b>	<p>The Reference Service Life (RSL) of the windows film product is considered to be 16 years.</p> <p>This is equal to the warranty period, i.e. the amount of time that we recommend our products last for without refurbishment. (warranty period) however the life expectancy is between 15-20 years.</p>
<b>CUT-OFF RULES</b>	<p>Not applied, all the information is considered.</p> <p>Flows related to human activities such as employee transport are excluded.</p> <p>The construction of plants, production of machines and transportation systems are excluded since the related flows are supposed to be negligible compared to the production of the building product when compared at these systems lifetime level.</p>
<b>ALLOCATIONS</b>	<p>The data for the site has been allocated on the basis of a surface distribution considering that the manufacturing impacts per m<sup>2</sup> of product are the same regardless of the product manufactured.</p> <p>The polluter pays as well the modularity principles have been followed.</p>
<b>GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE AND TIME PERIOD</b>	<p>Scope includes: Europe and MEA/India</p> <p>Data is collected from one production site in San Diego, USA</p> <p>Data collected for the year 2019.</p> <p>Cradle to grave study.</p> <p>Background data: The databases, thinkstep 8.7 or ecoinvent v.3.6</p>
<b>PRODUCT CPC CODE</b>	36920 – Articles of Plastic n.e.c.
<b>VARIABILITY</b>	Not applied as only 1 product is covered.

According to EN 15804:2012+A2:2019, EPDs of construction products may not be comparable if they do not comply with this standard. According to ISO 21930, EPDs might not be comparable if they are from different programmes.

## 6. Life cycle stages

### FLOW DIAGRAM OF THE LIFE CYCLE



### Product stage, A1-A3

Description of the stage: the product stage of windows film products is subdivided into 3 modules A1, A2 and A3 respectively “Raw material supply”, “transport to manufacturer” and “manufacturing”.

#### A1, raw material supply.

This includes the extraction and processing of all raw materials and energy which occur upstream from the manufacturing process.

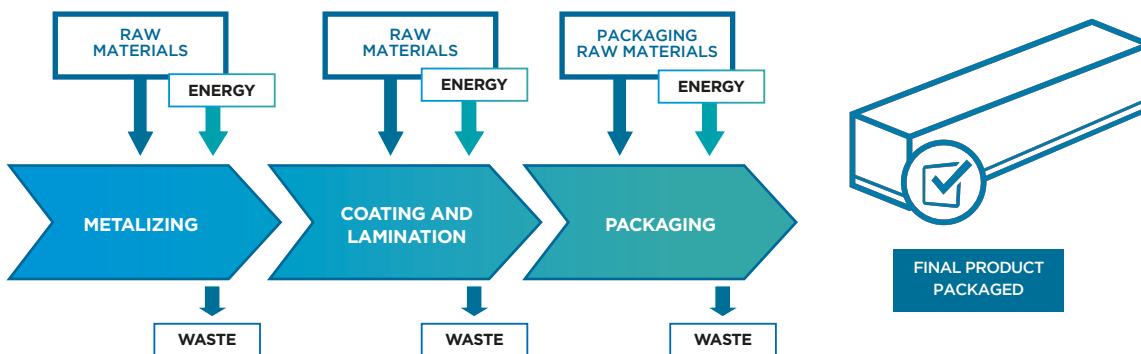
#### A2, transport to the manufacturer.

The raw materials are transported to the manufacturing site. The modelling includes road, boat, plane and/or train transportations of each raw material.

#### A3, manufacturing.

This module includes the manufacture of products and the manufacture of packaging. The production of packaging material is taken into account at this stage. The processing of any waste arising from this stage is also included.

### MANUFACTURING PROCESS FLOW DIAGRAM



#### Manufacturing in detail:

The films are produced from one or more layers of PET film. One of the films is coated with a metal or a variety of metals (through a process of metal deposition by ionization under vacuum, called sputtering (\*)). The performance of the final product is determined by the type and amount of the sputtered metal. The films (\*) are then laminated together and an adhesive and a liner are applied to the film. The liner protects the adhesive during storage and transportation, and is removed prior to installation.

The packaging is made up of four components: core, sleeve, box, and pad plugs (or end-caps).

The core, a tube made of cardboard, is what the finished film is wrapped around.

The sleeve covers and protects the roll of film, and is made from low density polyethylene (LDPE).

A cardboard box is used to protect the film during transport, handling and storage. The boxes are also labelled with information of product name, type, dimensions and an unique batch number.

Pad plugs (end caps) are made from high density polyethylene (HDPE) or cardboard; there are 2 end caps in each box. The function of the end caps is to keep the roll away from touching the cardboard box and to core to keep the roll stable in the box.

(\*) only for the solar window films. The Clear films do not have a sputtered layer in the construction.

## Construction process stage, A4-A5

Description of the stage: the construction process is divided into 2 modules: A4, transport to the building site and A5, installation in the building.

### A4, transport to the building site.

This module includes transport from the production gate to the building site. Transport is calculated on the basis of a scenario with the parameters described in the following table. Data is calculated from the arithmetic mean covering all sales destinations in Europe and MEA/India.

PARAMETER	VALUE (expressed per Declared unit)
<b>Fuel type and consumption of vehicle or vehicle type used for transport e.g. long distance truck, boat, etc.</b>	Transport, freight, lorry (mix of EURO 0-6) Transport, freight, sea, container ship Transport, freight, aircraft
<b>Distance</b>	Truck: 2923 km Ship: 8598 km Plane: 2056 km
<b>Capacity utilisation (including empty returns)</b>	Default value from Ecoinvent 3.6 for the 3 mode of transportation (lorry, container ship and aircraft)
<b>Bulk density of transported products</b>	Between 7440 – 3255 m <sup>2</sup> per pallet
<b>Volume capacity utilisation factor</b>	1 (default)

### A5, installation into the building.

The accompanying table quantifies the parameters for installing the product at the building site. All installation materials and their waste processing are included.

PARAMETER	VALUE (expressed per declared unit)
<b>Ancillary materials for installation (specified by materials)</b>	Soap 0.005 kg/m <sup>2</sup>
<b>Water use</b>	1 kg/m <sup>2</sup>
<b>Other resource use</b>	None
<b>Quantitative description of energy type (regional mix) and consumption during the installation process</b>	None
<b>Wastage of materials on the building site before waste processing, generated by the product's installation (specified by type)</b>	Film: 0.02 (5%)
<b>Output materials (specified by type) as results of waste processing at the building site e.g. of collection for recycling, for energy recovering, disposal (specified by route)</b>	Film: 0.02 kg/m <sup>2</sup> (5%) to landfill (46% <sup>1</sup> ), recycling (15% <sup>1</sup> ) and incineration with energy recovery (40% <sup>1</sup> ) Cardboard box: 1.44 g/m <sup>2</sup> to landfill (69% <sup>2</sup> ) and recycling (31% <sup>2</sup> ) Cardboard core: 0.88 g/m <sup>2</sup> to landfill (69% <sup>2</sup> ) and recycling (31% <sup>2</sup> ) LDPE sleeves: 0.23 g/m <sup>2</sup> to landfill (46% <sup>1</sup> ), recycling (15% <sup>1</sup> ) and incineration with energy recovery (40% <sup>1</sup> ) Cardboard or HDPE end plug: 0.09 g/m <sup>2</sup> to landfill MDF end plates: 0.47 g/m <sup>2</sup> to landfill (69% <sup>2</sup> ) and recycling (31% <sup>2</sup> ) Pallet: 4.88 g/m <sup>2</sup> to landfill (69% <sup>2</sup> ) and recycling (31% <sup>2</sup> ) Shrink wrap: 0.41 g/m <sup>2</sup> to landfill (46% <sup>1</sup> ), recycling (15% <sup>1</sup> ) and incineration with energy recovery (40% <sup>1</sup> )
<b>Direct emissions to ambient air, soil and water</b>	None

<sup>1</sup> Data based on OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development)

<sup>2</sup> Data based on European statistic

## Use stage (excluding potential savings), B1-B7

Description of the stage: The use stage, related to the building fabric includes:

**B1**, use or application of the installed product;

**B2**, maintenance;

**B3**, repair;

**B4**, replacement;

**B5**, refurbishment;

**B6**, operational energy use

**B7**, operational water use

The product has a reference service life of 12 years according to the warranty period. This assumes that the product will last in situ with no additional or specific requirements for maintenance, repair, replacement or refurbishment throughout this period. Therefore, it has no impact at this stage.

The water consumption for cleaning the windows is not considered as it is already included in the glass EPD, as required of the PCR.

## End-of-life stage C1-C4

Description of the stage: This stage includes the next modules:

**C1**, de-construction, demolition;

**C2**, transport to waste processing;

**C3**, waste processing for reuse, recovery and/or recycling;

**C4**, disposal, including provision and all transport, provision of all materials, products and related energy and water use.

### Description of the scenarios and additional technical information for the end-of-life:

PARAMETER	VALUE (expressed per Declared unit)
Collection process specified by type	46% collected with mixed deconstruction and demolition waste to landfill
Recovery system specified by type	15% to recycling disposal 40% to incineration with recovery of energy
Disposal specified by type	46% to landfill
Assumptions for scenario development (e.g. transportation)	50 km to landfill and incineration 100 km to recycling disposal

## Reuse/recovery/recycling potential, D

The scenario is 40% of wastes are incinerated with recovery of energy and 15% of wastes are recycled. The benefits from recovery of energy and recycling are reported on stage D.

## 7. LCA results

As specified in EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 and also the Product-Category Rules, the environmental impacts are declared and reported using the baseline characterization factors from EC-JRC, available in the next link: <https://eplca.jrc.ec.europa.eu/LCDN/developerEF.xhtml>. Specific data has been supplied by the plant, and generic data come from GABI and EcoInvent databases. All emissions to air, water, and soil, and all materials and energy used have been included.








All figures refer to a declared unit of 1 m<sup>2</sup> of installed window film AC 8 mil LX ( HILITE) 70.

The following results corresponds to the reference product for the family of products in this EPD - AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70.

Description of the system boundary (X = Included in LCA, MNA = Module Not Assessed)











	PRODUCT STAGE			CON-STRUCTION STAGE		USE STAGE							END OF LIFE STAGE				BENEFITS AND LOADS BEYOND THE SYSTEM BOUNDARY
	Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Construction-Installation process	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse-recovery
Module	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Modules declared	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Geography	US	US	US	EU/ MEA/ India	EU/ MEA/ India	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	EU/ MEA/ India	EU/ MEA/ India	EU/ MEA/ India	EU/ MEA/ India	-
Specific data used	>90% GWP- GHG					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Variation products	< 10%					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Variation sites	One site					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

# Environmental Impacts

Impacts Indicators		Product stage	Construction stage		Use stage							End of life stage				Reuse, Recovery Recycling
		A1 / A2 / A3	A4 Transport	A5 Installation	B1 Use	B2 Maintenance	B3 Repair	B4 Replacement	B5 Refurbishment	B6 Operational energy use	B7 Operational water use	C1 Deconstruction / demolition	C2 Transport	C3 Waste processing	C4 Disposal	D Reuse, recovery, recycling
	Climate Change [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]	3,97E+00	4,84E-01	2,82E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	2,70E-03	1,56E-02	3,01E-01	-3,01E-01
	Climate Change (fossil) [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]	4,00E+00	4,84E-01	2,49E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	2,70E-03	1,18E-02	3,01E-01	-3,01E-01
	Climate Change (biogenic) [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]	-3,64E-02	2,00E-04	2,55E-02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	1,23E-06	3,70E-03	1,72E-05	-2,00E-04
	Climate Change (land use change) [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]	1,91E-03	9,31E-05	7,30E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	1,02E-06	1,32E-05	1,69E-06	-9,99E-05
	Ozone depletion [kg CFC-11 eq.]	7,15E-07	1,08E-07	4,28E-08	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	5,88E-10	1,50E-09	8,55E-10	-1,95E-08
	Acidification terrestrial and freshwater [Mole of H <sup>+</sup> eq.]	2,77E-02	3,40E-03	1,70E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	1,54E-05	6,04E-05	7,05E-05	-9,00E-04
	Eutrophication freshwater [kg P eq.]	6,26E-03	2,12E-06	3,00E-04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	2,69E-08	3,28E-07	6,72E-08	-5,22E-06
	Eutrophication freshwater [kg (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> eq.]	6,38E-03	6,52E-06	9,21E-04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	8,25E-08	1,01E-06	2,06E-07	-1,60E-05
	Eutrophication marine [kg N eq.]	8,85E-03	1,10E-03	6,00E-04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	5,45E-06	2,02E-05	5,26E-05	-2,00E-04
	Eutrophication terrestrial [Mole of N eq.]	1,03E-01	1,21E-02	6,10E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	6,00E-05	2,00E-04	3,00E-04	-1,80E-03
	Photochemical ozone formation - human health [kg NMVOC eq.]	2,59E-02	3,20E-03	1,50E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	1,71E-05	5,86E-05	8,92E-05	-7,00E-04
	Resource use, mineral and metals [kg Sb eq.] <sup>1</sup>	5,20E-03	3,96E-06	3,00E-04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	6,75E-08	2,45E-07	6,47E-08	-3,00E-06
	Resource use, energy carriers [MJ] <sup>1</sup>	7,30E+01	6,89E+00	4,09E+00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	4,09E-02	2,10E-01	8,03E-02	-5,99E+00
	Water scarcity [m <sup>3</sup> world equiv.] <sup>1</sup>	1,52E+00	1,76E-02	1,47E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	2,00E-04	3,80E-03	1,90E-03	-9,34E-02


<sup>1</sup> The results of this environmental impact indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties of these results are high or as there is limited experience with the indicator.

# Resources Use

Resources Use indicators		Product stage	Construction stage		Use stage							End of life stage				Reuse, recovery, recycling
		A1 / A2 / A3	A4 Transport	A5 Installation	B1 Use	B2 Maintenance	B3 Repair	B4 Replacement	B5 Refurbishment	B6 Operational energy use	B7 Operational water use	C1 Deconstruction / demolition	C2 Transport	C3 Waste processing	C4 Disposal	D Reuse, recovery, recycling
	Use of renewable primary energy (PERE) [MJ]	4,32E+00	4,46E-02	3,28E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	5,00E-04	8,40E-03	1,40E-03	-1,16E-01
	Primary energy resources used as raw materials (PERM) [MJ]	1,62E-01	0	6,00E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total use of renewable primary energy resources (PERT) [MJ]	4,49E+00	4,46E-02	3,34E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	5,00E-04	8,40E-03	1,40E-03	-1,16E-01
	Use of non-renewable primary energy (PENRE) [MJ]	6,55E+01	6,89E+00	3,78E+00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	4,09E-02	1,37E+00	8,03E-02	-5,93E+00
	Non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials (PENRM) [MJ]	7,52E+00	0	3,16E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1,16E+00	0	-5,31E-02
	Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources (PEN-RT) [MJ]	7,30E+01	6,89E+00	4,10E+00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	4,09E-02	2,10E-01	8,03E-02	-5,99E+00
	Input of secondary material (SM) [kg]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Use of renewable secondary fuels (RSF) [MJ]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Use of non-renewable secondary fuels (NRSF) [MJ]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Use of net fresh water (FW) [m³]	3,54E-02	4,00E-04	3,40E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	4,89E-06	0,000087327	4,52E-05	-2,20E-03



# Output flows & Waste Category



Output Flows and Waste Category		Product stage	Construction stage		Use stage							End of life stage				Reuse, recovery, recycling
		A1 / A2 / A3	A4 Transport	A5 Installation	B1 Use	B2 Maintenance	B3 Repair	B4 Replacement	B5 Refurbishment	B6 Operational energy use	B7 Operational water use	C1 Deconstruction / demolition	C2 Transport	C3 Waste processing	C4 Disposal	D Reuse, recovery, recycling
	Hazardous waste disposed (HWD) [kg]	2,42E-02	1,75E-05	1,20E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,02E-07	3,20E-07	3,28E-07	-8,04E-06
	Non-hazardous waste disposed (NHWD) [kg]	2,84E+01	1,63E-01	1,44E+00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,90E-03	1,56E-02	1,84E-01	-7,54E-02
	Radioactive waste disposed (RWD) [kg]	2,26E-04	4,80E-05	1,19E-05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,64E-07	7,00E-07	3,02E-07	-4,02E-06
	Components for re-use (CRU) [kg]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Materials for Recycling (MFR) [kg]	3,08E-02	0	7,40E-03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,05E-02	0	0
	Material for Energy Recovery (MER) [kg]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Exported electrical energy (EEE) [MJ]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Exported thermal energy (EET) [MJ]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Additional voluntary indicators from EN 15804 (according to ISO 21930:2017)

	Product stage	Construction stage		Use stage							End of life stage				D Reuse, recovery, recycling
	A1 / A2 / A3	A4 Transport	A5 Installation	B1 Use	B2 Maintenance	B3 Repair	B4 Replacement	B5 Refurbishment	B6 Operational energy use	B7 Operational water use	C1 Deconstruction / demolition	C2 Transport	C3 Waste processing	C4 Disposal	D Reuse, recovery, recycling
Climate Change [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.] <sup>1</sup>	4,00E+00	4,84E-01	2,49E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00E+00	2,70E-03	1,18E-02	3,01E-01	-3,01E-01

<sup>1</sup> The indicator includes all greenhouse gases included in GWP-total but excludes biogenic carbon dioxide uptake and emissions and biogenic carbon stored in the product. This indicator is thus almost equal to the GWP indicator originally defined in EN 15804:2012+A1:2013.

## Information on biogenic carbon content

	Biogenic Carbon Content	Product stage
	Biogenic Carbon Content	A1 / A2 / A3
	Biogenic carbon content in product [kg]	0,00E+00
	Biogenic carbon content in packaging [kg]	5,60E-03

Note: 1 kg biogenic carbon is equivalent to 44/12 kg CO<sub>2</sub>

The product does not contain any quantity of biogenic carbon. Regarding packaging, wooden pallets, cardboard core, cardboard box and MDF end plates production is accounted for.

## 8. LCA results interpretation

The following figure refers to a declared unit of 1 m<sup>2</sup> of installed windows film of the reference product for the family of products in this EPD - namely AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70.



[1] This indicator corresponds to the abiotic depletion potential of fossil resources.

[2] This indicator corresponds to the total use of primary energy.

[3] This indicator corresponds to the use of net fresh water.

[4] This indicator corresponds to the sum of hazardous, non-hazardous and radioactive waste disposed.

### Global Warming Potential (Climate Change) (GWP)

For GWP, the majority of contribution to this environmental impact is from the production modules (A1 – A3). This is primarily because the sources of greenhouse gas emissions are predominant in this part of the life cycle. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are generated upstream from the production of electricity and is also released on site by the combustion diesel and natural gas. Other sections of the life cycle also contribute to the GWP. However, the production modules contribute to over 75% of the contribution. Emissions from waste disposal in A5 (disposal after installation) and C (transport and disposal at the end of life) generate the second highest percentage of greenhouse gas emissions.

### Non-renewable resources consumptions

The consumption of non - renewable resources is once more found to have the highest value in the production modules. Due to diesel and natural gas consumption within the factory. For non - renewable fuels such as coal and oil are used to generate electricity during manufacturing. The contribution to this impact from the other modules is very small and primarily due to the non - renewable resources consumed during installation.

### Energy Consumptions

Modules A1 - A3 have the highest contribution to total energy consumption. Energy is consumed in the form of electricity, diesel and natural gas during the manufacturing process.

## 9. Additional information

### Additional information on VOC indoor emission during the use stage

Based on the test conducted, Solar Gard window film products meet the requirements for VOC's according to the standards.

### Additional information on emission on soil and water during the use stage

Without object as test is not conducted.

### Declaration of additional scenario information in A4

The transport to the market (A4) on this EPD is calculated based on average distance that covers all the countries in Europe and in MEA/India.

Additional information is given in the table below regarding distances to other relevant markets and calculation factors for converting A4 to the specific market. Impact figures for A4 shall be multiplied by the multiplication factor in table 5.

**Table 5**

Details on multiplication factor due transport for different geographies:

Country	Average distance			Multiplication factor
	Truck	Ship	Plane	
Europe & MEA/India	2923	8682	1972	1
Austria	2855	8330	1854	0,95
Baltics	4085	8330	1809	1,06
Bahrain (ME)	925	6412	9269	3,16
Belgium	2119	8330	1809	0,86
Denmark	2995	8330	1809	0,95
Egypt	2675	13110	0	0,36
Finland	4435	8330	1809	1,10
Hungary	3090	8330	1854	0,98
Ireland	2495	8330	1809	0,90
India (North)	2781,2	14196	2900	1,33
India (South, East & Central)	931,2	14196	2900	1,14
India (west)	1681,2	14196	2900	1,22
Italy	3272	8330	1809	0,98
KSA (ME)	2282	9702	4023	1,61
Kuwait (ME)	908	6493	9008	3,08
Luxembourg	2335	8330	1809	0,88
Norway	3470	8330	1809	1,00
Poland	3285	8330	1809	0,98
Portugal	4035	8330	1809	1,06
Qatar (ME)	275	6736	9357	3,13
Romania	3711	8330	1854	1,04
South Africa	4218	14490	0	0,53
Spain	2935	8330	1809	0,95
Sweden	3511	8330	1809	1,00
Switzerland	2779	8330	1854	0,94
Turkey	2310	8330	1809	0,88
UAE (ME)	1817	13256	4026	1,59
United Kingdom	2536	8330	1809	0,90

## Electricity description

TYPE OF INFORMATION	DESCRIPTION
Location	Representative of Electricity purchased by Saint-Gobain Solar Gard (US)
Geographical representativeness description	Split of energy sources of electricity grid mix in Western Electricity Coordinating Council, WECC (US) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- natural gas: 31%</li> <li>- hydro: 24.63%</li> <li>- lignite: 14.79%</li> <li>- hard coal: 9,15%</li> <li>- wind: 7.25%</li> <li>- nuclear: 8.64%</li> <li>- geothermal: 2.21%</li> <li>- biomass: 0.94%</li> <li>- biogas: 0.45%</li> <li>- solar PV: 0.3%</li> <li>- solar thermal: 0.1%</li> <li>- oil: 0.1%</li> </ul>
Reference year	2019
Type of data set	Cradle to gate from Ecoinvent 3.6 database
Source	Ecoinvent database from International Energy Agency - 2019
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions (EN15804+A2 Climate Change - fossil)	0.42 kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq. / kWh

## Data quality

Inventory data quality is judged by geographical, temporal, and technological representativeness. To cover these requirements and to ensure reliable results, first-hand industry data crossed with LCA background datasets were used. The data was collected from internal records and reporting documents. After evaluating the inventory, according to the defined ranking in the LCA report, the assessment reflects good inventory data quality.

Geographical rating	Temporal rating	Technology Rating
2,3	2,0	2,0



## Additional information on energy saving and benefit

This section is focused on the **quantifying the energy gain** that the products potentially bring **during the warranty period** and by extrapolation during their service lifetime.

### Energy consumption in a building

Solar Gard AC 8 mil LX (HILTE) series have a double function: control the solar heat gain combined with risk mitigation in the case of breaking glass (see table 2 for base information).

Solar Gard AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 rejects, as an example up to 52% of the solar energy incident on a single glass and as much as 78% of the Infrared solar heat (determined according to EN 410).

This reduces the need for cooling considerably because there is less heat transferred through the glazing. As a consequence, there is less energy consumed to keep air conditioning equipment running in the warmer months resulting in a reduction in the carbon footprint of the building.

The reduction depends on several factors: geography, location, orientation of the building, type of glazing, the efficiency of the air conditioning equipment and comfort levels that is required.

Identical buildings that are upgraded in the same way with the same Solar Gard architectural solar film, but that are located in different geographies and/or that are sourcing their energy differently, will have different net energy savings and also the environment impact of these energy savings will be different.

The **energy calculations** have been done using the most up-to-date version of **Efilm® v22.6.28 using EnergyPlus version 9.6.**

There are several energy simulations programs available throughout the regions covered in this EPD. It was decided to use Efilm because this simulation software is widely used within the window film industry and is supported by the IWFA, the International Window Film Association.

The Efilm software is based on EnergyPlus simulation engine, which is developed under the funding of United States Department of Energy (U.S. DOE). EnergyPlus is considered one of the most detailed and accurate energy simulation program on the market. EnergyPlus incorporates the best features of DOE 2.1E and BLAST and is also enhanced with the use of latest programming techniques. The program has been thoroughly tested and validated, and DOE is pledging full support only for the program developments in the future.

For more details and features of EnergyPlus can be accessed from: <https://energyplus.net/>



## TABLES 6A : AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 (reference product) applied on 4 mm clear glass (Saint-Gobain PLANICLEAR)

The potential energy saving (kWh/m<sup>2</sup>) of AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 (reference product) applied on 4 mm clear glass (Saint-Gobain PLANICLEAR) for some cities in Europe, Middle East, Africa and India over the product's warranty period.

Table 6A-1

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Copenhagen	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Helsinki	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Oslo	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Stockholm	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Warsaw	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Berlin	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Koln	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Munich
	885 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	668 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	725 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	789 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	820 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	906 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	723 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1020 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

Table 6A-2

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Amsterdam	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Brussels	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Geneva	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 London	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Luxembourg	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Lyon	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Paris
	770 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	769 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1243 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	879 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	769 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1159 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	919 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

Table 6A-3

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Barcelona	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Istanbul	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Jerusalem	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Lisboa	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Madrid	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Milan	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Rome
	1539 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1369 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	2147 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1859 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1781 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1282 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1032 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

Table 6A-4

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Abu Dhabi	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Cape Town	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Chennai	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Cairo	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Johannesburg	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Mumbai	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Nairobi	Planiclear AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Riyadh
	3916 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1778 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	2832 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	2147 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	2098 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	2981 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1724 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	3790 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

## TABLES 7A : AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 (reference product) applied on an IGU (4/12/4 from Saint-Gobain PLANICLEAR)

The potential energy saving (kWh/m<sup>2</sup>) of AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 (reference product) applied on an IGU (4/12/4 from Saint-Gobain PLANICLEAR) for some cities in Europe, Middle East, Africa and India over the product's warranty period.

**Table 7A-1**

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Copenhagen	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Helsinki	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Oslo	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Stockholm	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Warsaw	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Berlin	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Koln	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Munich
	586 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	562 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	537 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	600 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	654 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	661 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	525 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	707 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

**Table 7A-2**

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Amsterdam	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Brussels	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Geneva	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 London	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Luxembourg	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Lyon	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Paris
	573 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	499 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	798 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	593 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	499 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	765 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	615 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

**Table 7A-3**

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Barcelona	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Istanbul	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Jerusalem	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Lisboa	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Madrid	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Milan	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Rome
	1057 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	910 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1420 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1163 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1233 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	909 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	709 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

**Table 7A-4**

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Abu Dhabi	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Cape Town	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Chennai	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Cairo	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Johannesburg	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Mumbai	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Nairobi	Planiclear IGU AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Riyadh
	2724 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1217 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	2021 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1427 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1415 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	2233 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	1284 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	2667 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>



## TABLES 8A : AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 (reference product) applied on IGU with low-E on side 3 (4/12/4 from Saint-Gobain PLANITHERM ONE)

The potential energy saving (kWh/m<sup>2</sup>) of AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 (reference product) applied on IGU with low-E on side 3 (4/12/4 from Saint-Gobain PLANITHERM ONE) for some cities in Europe, Middle East, Africa and India over the product's warranty period.

**Table 8A-1**

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Copenhagen	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Helsinki	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Oslo	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Stockholm	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Warsaw	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Berlin	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Koln	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Munich
	121 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	102 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	107 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	114 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	126 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	120 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	104 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	149 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

**Table 8A-2**

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Amsterdam	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Brussels	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Geneva	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 London	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Luxembourg	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Lyon	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Paris
	119 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	100 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	137 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	102 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	100 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	161 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	125 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

**Table 8A-3**

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Barcelona	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Istanbul	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Jerusalem	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Lisboa	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Madrid	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Milan	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Rome
	199 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	182 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	269 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	232 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	234 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	136 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	135 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

**Table 8A-4**

ENERGY SAVINGS PER M <sup>2</sup> OVER WARRANTY PERIOD	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Abu Dhabi	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Cape Town	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Chennai	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Cairo	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Johannesburg	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Mumbai	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Nairobi	IGU w/Planitherm One AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70 Riyadh
	494 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	239 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	436 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	311 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	280 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	418 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	303 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>	461 kWh per m <sup>2</sup>

## General Functioning of the Building and the Well-being of the Occupants

It is important to keep in mind that environmental requirements always need to be balanced with other requirements in relation to the operating and the use a building.

### Such other requirements are:

- **Thermal comfort and well-being of the occupants:** an important improvement in thermal comfort is a positive measure in spite maybe of the fact that the Net Environmental Impact (NEI) is low or negative.
- **Visual comfort and well-being of the occupants:** solar window films reduce glare. Improving the visual comfort does not necessarily translate into a reduced energy usage but yet is key for the well-being and efficient functioning of the occupants in the building.
- **Fading reduction and skin protection:** window films block > 99% of the UVA (typically not stopped by standard glass). This is the form of radiation that causes skin aging, like spots and wrinkles, because it does reach so deeply into skin layers. UVA rays can tan skin right away, and are linked to cancer. This benefit is not considered in the NEI.
- **Safety and security:** safety films, typically clear films, have by definition little impact on the energy consumption in a building. Therefore, the NEI will always be negative. However, the function of safety and security films is to protect people and goods in case of glass breakage or to slow down intrusion efforts. The return on investment for these films is the reduction of risk that people get injured by shreds of broken glass or the reduced risks for intrusion.
- **Surface protection:** typically clear films with no impact on the energy balance of a building but yet very important in the maintenance budget as these solution reduce the costs for important repair or replacement costs.
- **Reduction of energy usage:** the NEI is the result of reduced energy consumption, but even if the NIE is not positive, the application of Solar Gard window films still can result in an important reduction of the energy of the building. This as such is already very important. And, in addition there is the purely economic factor in the reduced energy consumption means reduced operating costs.

## 10 reasons to consider Solar Gard window films

As a summary, Solar Gard window films offer a range of solutions to improve the performance of existing buildings and more in particular the performance of the glass and glazing in existing and to help the operators/users of a building to meet the functional requirements in situation where such is not the case.

It is important to evaluate the use of window films in their totality:

- Reduction of energy consumption
- Reduction of Carbon footprint
- Improvement of the safety in case of glass breakage
- Improvement of security against intrusion
- Improvement of summer and winter comfort
- Improvement of the privacy
- Reduction of risk for fading
- Improvement the aesthetics of the building/façade
- Improvement of the visual comfort
- Improvement of cyber security and data protection

When considering an upgrade or improvement measure of existing windows of glass facades, all the above needs are important points as well as the fact that window films allow to give a longer life to the existing glass (no additional environmental impact due to removal or demolition) and that the building's use is not disrupted at all during the application of the window films.

In addition window help to impact the ratings in some of the globally used assessment and rating methods for buildings like BREEAM® and LEED®.

**LEED & BREEAM CREDITS**  
Global sustainable assessment- and rating methods for buildings  
Building owners can earn a higher rating with the use of Solar Gard window film.<sup>1</sup>

**LEED POINTS**  
SS EA EQ MR ID

**BREEAM CREDITS**  
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# 10. Deutsche Zusammenfassung

## Zum Unternehmen Solar Gard

Solar Gard baut auf fast 50 Jahre Erfahrung in der Entwicklung und Herstellung von Flachglasfolien und ist in mehr als 90 Ländern vertreten.

Solar Gard ist ein führendes Unternehmen im Bereich patentierter Technologien für Sonnenschutz unter anderem Schutzfolien für Wohngebäude und für Geschäftsgebäude sowie Fahrzeuge und öffentliche Verkehrsmittel.

Solar Gard wurde Teil von Saint-Gobain 2011.

## Produktbeschreibung

### Name des Produkts / der Produktfamilie und der vertretende Hersteller in der vorliegenden

**Umweltproduktdeklaration (EPD):** Solar Gard AC 8 mil LX (HILITE) 70. Die Folie wird hergestellt im Solar Gard Werk in San Diego, USA.

Alle in dieser Umweltproduktdeklaration (EPD) aufgeführten Produkte erfüllen die Anforderungen nach DIN EN 15752-1 „Glas im Bauwesen - Selbstklebende Polymerfolie - Teil 1: Begriffe und Anforderungen“.

Die Produkte sind laut ICS einzuordnen unter 83.140.10 „Folien und Platten“.

Nach der Zentralen Gütersystematik der Vereinten Nationen mit Sitz in New York von 2015 gehören diese Produkte zum Bereich „Tafeln, Platten, Folien, Filme, Bänder, Streifen und andere Flacherzeugnisse, selbstklebend, aus Kunststoffen“ 3919 (HS 2007) bzw. 36920 (CPC2), 2220 (ISIC 4).

## Details zur Berechnung der Ökobilanz (LCA)

- **Deklarierte Einheit:** 1m<sup>2</sup> des verlegten Produkts
- **Systemgrenzen:** die vorliegende Studie deckt alle Ökobilanzen des Produkts ab, „von der Wiege bis zur Bahre“, einschließlich Modul D.
- **Referenz-Lebensdauer:** die Referenz-Lebensdauer (RSL) des Fensterfolienprodukts wird auf 16 Jahre gelegt. Dies ist der Garantiezeitraum, den wir für unser Produkt empfehlen, ohne dass diese in diesem Zeitraum nachgerüstet werden muss. Dennoch liegt die Lebenserwartung bei 15-20 Jahren.
- **Geographischer Erfassungsbereich und Zeitraum:** geographisch werden Europa, der Mittlere Osten und Afrika, sowie Indien abgedeckt. Die verwendeten Produktionsdaten sind für das Jahr 2019 einer Produktionsstelle, nämlich das Werk in San Diego, USA.

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## LCA Ergebnisse

Wie in EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 und den Produkt-Kategorieregeln festgelegt, werden die Umwelteinflüsse anhand der Basisfaktoren der Gemeinsamen Forschungsstelle (JCR) der Europäischen Kommission festgelegt. Diese findet man unter dem folgenden Link: <https://eplca.jrc.ec.europa.eu/LCDN/developerEF.xhtml>. Spezifische Daten wurden durch die Anlage ermittelt. Generische Daten stehen zur Verfügung aus den Datenbanken der GABI und Ecoinvent. Sämtliche Emissionen in die Luft, ins Wasser und den Grundboden sowie alle genutzten Materialien und Energieverbräuche wurden ebenfalls erfasst.

Sämtliche Zahlen beziehen sich auf den ausgewiesenen Bereich von 1m<sup>2</sup> der montierten Fensterfolie.

Die Tabellen im Abschnitt 7 „LCA results“ beziehen sich auf das Referenzprodukt der Produktfamilie in dieser EPD – d.h. STERLING 40. Beschreibung der Systemgrenze (X = in LCA erfasst, MNA = Modul nicht bewertet).

# 11. Acronyms

ACRONYM	EXPLANATION
A (%)	Reflection of solar energy
ADP fossil [MJ]	Resource use, energy carriers [MJ]
ADP Min&Met [kg Sb eq.]	Resource use, mineral and metals [kg Sb eq.]
AP [Mole of H+ eq.]	Acidification terrestrial and freshwater [Mole of H+ eq.]
BREAK - kg/cm	Break resistance
BREEAM	Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method
E	Emissivity
ELONG	Elongation
EN 12600	Humain impact
EN 12600	European norm Impact test
EN 356	Intrusion resistance
EN 356	European norm for Intrusion test
EP freshwater [kg P eq.]	Eutrophication freshwater [kg P eq.]
EP freshwater [kg PO4 eq.]	Freshwater [kg PO4 eq.]
EP marine [kg N eq.]	Eutrophication marine [kg N eq.]
EP terrestrial [Mole of N eq.]	Eutrophication terrestrial [Mole of N eq.]
EWFA	The International Window Film Association
FR (%)	Fade reduction coefficient
G	Solar heat gain coefficient (G-value)
GL (%)	Glare Reduction
GWP-biogenic [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]	Climate Change (biogenic) [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]
GWP-fossil [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]	Climate Change (fossil) [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]
GWP-Lulu [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]	Climate Change (land use change) [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]
GWP-total [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]	Climate Change [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]
HDPE	High Density Polyethylene
IGU	Insulated Glass Unit
IRER (%)	IR Energy Rejection @780-2500nm
ISO 16933, GSA, ASTM; INERIS	Explosion (bomb blast) tests
LDPE	Low Density Polyethylene
LEED	Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design
Low-E film	Window film with considerably reduced emissivity allowing to improve the U-value of the glass it is applied on
ODP [kg CFC-11 eq.]	Ozone depletion [kg CFC-11 eq.]
PCOP [kg NMVOC eq.]	Photochemical ozone formation - human health [kg NMVOC eq.]
PCR	Product Category Rule(s)
PEEL - g/cm	Peel resistance
PS	Pressure sensitive
PUNC - kg	Puncture resistance
R (%)	Absorption of solar energy
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals
Re/Ri (%)	Visible light Reflectance Exterior/Interior
SC	Shading Coefficient
SHGR (%)	Solar heat gain reduction
SIRR (%)	Selective IR Energy Rejection @280-2500nm
SSI	Light to solar heat gain ratio (VLT/SHGC)
Tdw (%)	Fading factor (Tdw-ISO @300-700nm)
TEAR - kg	Tear resistance
Tnom / T(Qm)	Nominal thickness
VLT (%)	Visible Light Transmittance
TR (%)	Transmittance of solar energy
TS - kg/cm	Tensile strength
TSER (%)	Total solar energy rejected
TSER (%) -60°	Total solar energy rejected @60° angle
U (W/m K)	Winter U-factor (W/m <sup>2</sup> °C)
U Red (%)	Fade reduction coefficient
UV (%)	UV Blocked @300-380nm
WDP [m world equiv.]	Water scarcity [m <sup>3</sup> world equiv.]
YIELD - kg/cm	Tensile strength (5% elongation)

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Solar Gard is a world leader in patented technologies for solar control and protective window films for buildings and vehicles. As the "Thin Films" division of the global glass and building technology group Saint-Gobain – a company that originated more than 350 years ago with the Hall of Mirrors in the Palace of Versailles – Solar Gard builds on decades of experience in the development and production of window film. The Solar Gard product range provides solutions for upgrading and improving glass in vehicles, homes and large buildings for the comfort and protection of passengers, residents, visitors and employees. Follow Solar Gard on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. #SolarGard