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Concrete foundation elements – Grundläggningselement

from
Gunnar Prefab AB

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Company information

Owner of the EPD:
Gunnar Prefab AB

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Description of the organisation:
Gunnar Prefab AB is a family business founded in 1995, by Gunnar Englund, as a subsidiary of Gunnar Englund Byggare AB, which then owned the concrete station in Rättvik.
Gunnar Prefab develop, manufacture, and deliver prefabricated concrete products throughout Sweden. The company started in 1995 by manufacturing the concrete horse and concrete piles.
In 1999, Gunnar prefab started manufacturing and supplying their own product GPLINK a, a concrete barrier so-called tongue closure that can be used as both temporary and permanent protection after roads and at workplaces. They work with continuous development of their products and can manufacture most of what is requested.

Product-related or management system-related certifications:
Certified by Nordcert

Name and location of production site(s):
Rättvik, Sweden

Product information

Product name:
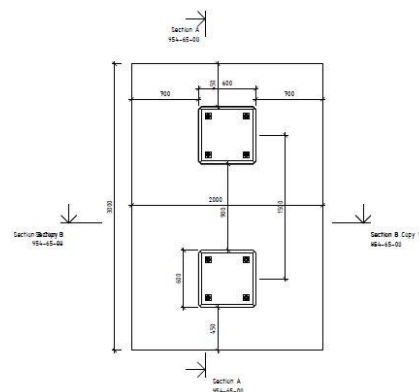Concrete foundation elements – Grundläggningselement

Product identification:
EN206, SS-EN 13369, EN 14991

Product description:

The plinth foundation is placed against or underground to carry loads from the frame to the ground. The design of foundations depends on the soil and terrain conditions that prevail on the site. Prefabricated concrete elements for the foundation are produced according to project-specific purposes. Foundation elements can also be used to mount various types of masts or other accessible constructions that require a stable foundation to be mounted on.

The concrete is bought from a ready-mix factory and cast in forms at Gunnar Prefabs factory.

Technical information:

Specification	Concrete foundation elements
Strength class for concrete	C35/45
Exposure class	XD3/XF4
w/c-ratio	0.40
Technical standard followed	EN206, SS-EN 13369, EN 14991
Weight	7.0 tonne/element

UN CPC code:
37550 – Prefabricated structural components for building or civil engineering, of cement, concrete or artificial stone.

Geographical scope:
Sweden (All declared modules)

LCA information

Functional unit / declared unit:
1 tonne of Concrete foundation elements

Reference service life:
The product is designed for a service life of 100 years and has exposure class XD3, XF4 and is adapted for outdoor environments. The required service life is met by applying the design criteria in Eurocode.

Time representativeness:
2021

Database(s) and LCA software used:
Sphera database from 2021. IVL's EPD Generator for Gunnar prefab.

Description of system boundaries:
The EPD is a so-called Cradle to gate with options, modules C1–C4, module D and with optional modules (A1–A3 + C + D and additional modules). The additional modules are A4 and B1.
Excluded life-cycle stages are A5, B2-B7.

The polluter pays principle is applied according to PCR. For waste management, this means that emissions that occur at material recycling facilities must be allocated to the next life cycle, if the next life cycle pays for the residual material. However, transport to the recycling facility is included. The life cycle begins with the extraction of raw materials used for the products, which defines the boundary with nature.

Carbon dioxide uptake through carbonation in the use stage is taken into account in the calculations. Carbonation is a natural chemical process where part of the carbon dioxide released during the calcination process during cement production is reabsorbed to the concrete when exposed to air. This usually occurs during the concrete product's use and final stage.

System diagram:
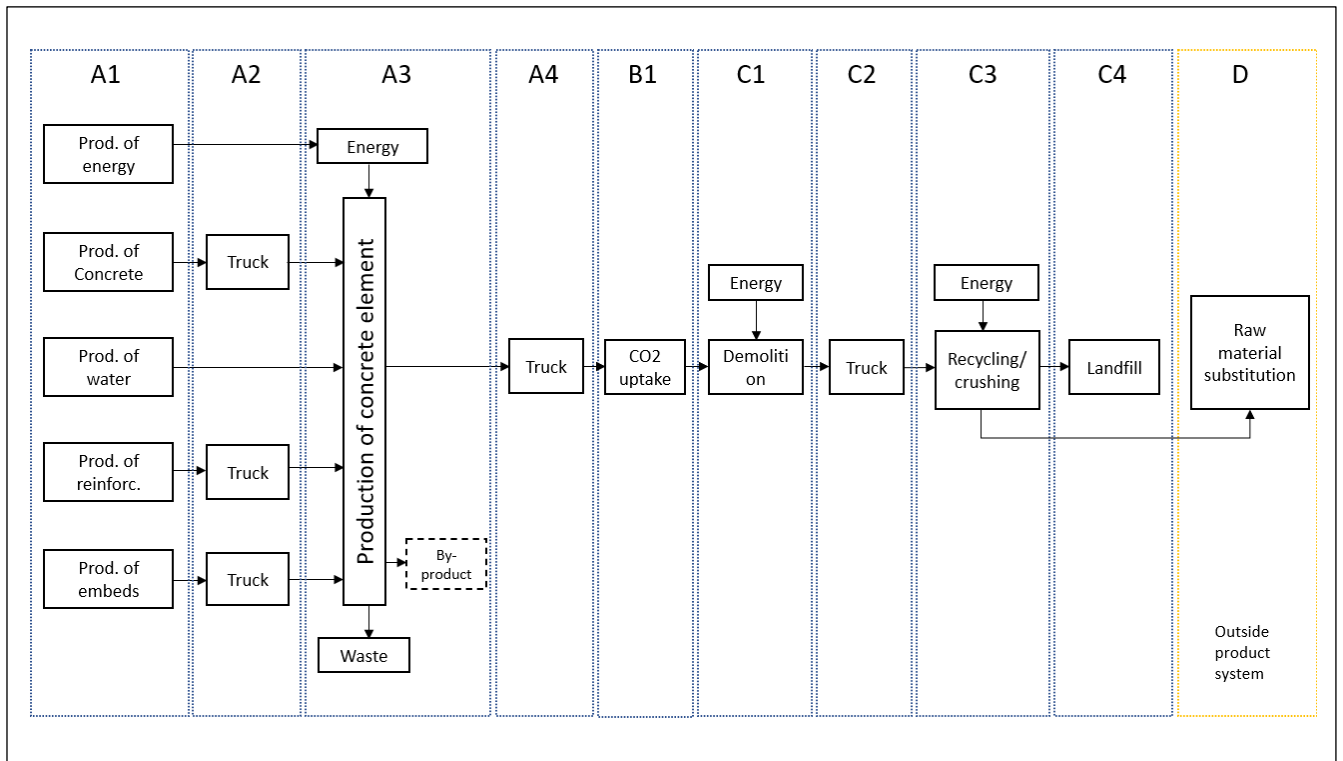
- - Module A1: Production of raw materials.
- - Module A2: Transportation of raw materials to Gunnar Prefab's factory.
- - Module A3: Manufacturing.
- - Module A4: Transport of element to construction site.
- - Module B1: Carbonation of the precast concrete element during its use phase
- - Module C1: Demolition.
- - Module C2: Transport to waste processing.
- - Module C3: Waste processing
- - Module C4: Disposal
- - Module D: Benefits and loads beyond the system boundary

Allocation:
Incoming energy, water and waste production in-house is allocated equally among all joint co-products through mass allocation.
By-products in this study generate a very low contribution to the overall revenue are therefore neglected.

Transportation:
The transport included in this study is the transport of raw materials, products to customers and waste from the production site. The transport is mostly carried out through heavy trucks and concrete truck.

Energy utilities:
Both electricity and heat are used at the factory.

Electricity is based on hydro power and wind power. The heat applied is average Swedish district heating.

Secondary energy:
No other secondary energy has been used apart from what is included in district heating

Direct emissions from production:
Direct emissions occur from the burning of fuels in the factory.

Waste:
Waste is generated from wastage in production as well as packaging from various products. Steel products go to recycling, wood products such as EU pallets and other wooden materials go to energy recovery and the concrete is cast into low-revenue by-products.

Scenario for module A4:
The concrete elements are in average transported 200 km to customer by a 35 tonne Euro VI truck.

Scenario for module B1:
Outdoor partly exposed to rain and submerged in the ground for 100 years

Scenario for module C1:
Demolition of a concrete frame is based on Erlandsson and Pettersson (2015). Energy consumption is 36 MJ/ton, diesel.

Scenario for module C2:
The assumed scenario based on industry consensus. Transport to waste management or landfill is carried out through a 40-ton Euro V truck for 35 km. It is applied to all material

Scenario for module C3:
It is assumed that 100% of the concrete and steel is recycled.

Scenario for module C4:
Its assumed that 100 % of the plastic goes to landfill

Scenario for module D:
Concrete: As applied in C3. All concrete replaces the production of crushed aggregate.

Steel: As applied in C3. The steel in the product replaces the production of new steel. However, only the primary share of the steel can be credited.

Modules declared, geographical scope, share of specific data (in GWP-GHG results) and data variation (in GWP-GHG results):

	Product stage			Construction process stage		Use stage							End of life stage				Resource recovery stage
	Raw material supply	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
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
Geography	SE	SE	SE	SE	-	SE	-	-	-	-	-	-	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE
Specific data used	>90%				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Variation – products	-				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Variation – sites	-				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Content information

Product components	Amount weight-%	Post-consumer material, weight-%	Biogenic material, weight-% and kg C/kg
Concrete C35/45 std	98.8	0	0
Reinforcement, Celsa	1.04	73	0
Embeds, steel	0.06	0	0
Embeds, HDPE plastic	0.1	0	0
TOTAL	100	73	0
Packaging materials	**Weight, kg**	**Weight-% (versus the product)**	**Weight biogenic carbon, kg C/kg**
No packaging materials are used	-		
TOTAL	-		

Dangerous substances from the candidate list of SVHC for Authorisation	EC No.	CAS No.	Weight-% per functional or declared unit
None			

Environmental Information

Results of the LCA – Potential environmental impact for 1 ton (1000 kg) of Concrete foundation elements before hardening

Potential environmental impact – mandatory indicators according to EN 15804

		Results per functional or declared unit							
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3*	A4	B1	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP-total	kg CO_2 eq.	1.55E+02	1.06E+01	-2.73E+00	3.02E+00	2.10E+00	6.05E-01	2.11E-03	-1.42E+00
GWP-fossil	kg CO_2 eq.	1.52E+02	1.05E+01	-2.73E+00	3.00E+00	2.08E+00	6.00E-01	2.17E-03	-1.41E+00
GWP-biogenic	kg CO_2 eq.	3.34E+00	3.27E-02	0.00E+00	-3.89E-03	6.48E-03	-7.78E-04	-6.31E-05	-1.32E-04
GWP-LULUC	kg CO_2 eq.	1.01E-01	5.87E-02	0.00E+00	2.49E-02	1.16E-02	4.97E-03	6.38E-06	-1.06E-02
ODP	kg CFC 11 eq.	1.93E-05	2.37E-07	0.00E+00	3.88E-16	4.70E-08	7.76E-17	8.46E-18	-4.29E-15
AP	mol H^+ eq.	2.97E-01	1.18E-01	0.00E+00	1.75E-02	2.34E-02	3.50E-03	1.55E-05	-7.77E-03
EP-freshwater	kg P eq.	8.72E-03	5.43E-04	0.00E+00	9.01E-06	1.08E-04	1.80E-06	3.65E-09	-1.06E-05
EP-marine	kg N eq.	4.79E-02	6.36E-02	0.00E+00	8.56E-03	1.26E-02	1.71E-03	4.03E-06	-3.70E-03
EP-terrestial	mol N eq.	1.18E+00	6.05E-01	0.00E+00	9.48E-02	1.20E-01	1.90E-02	4.41E-05	-4.00E-02
POCP	kg NMVOC eq.	2.74E-01	8.26E-02	0.00E+00	1.65E-02	1.64E-02	3.30E-03	1.22E-05	-7.21E-03
ADP-M&M	kg Sb eq.	8.36E+00	5.66E-06	0.00E+00	2.31E-07	1.12E-06	4.62E-08	2.06E-10	-2.51E-07
ADP-fossil**	MJ	6.25E+02	1.60E+02	0.00E+00	4.04E+01	3.17E+01	8.08E+00	2.89E-02	-3.32E+01
WDP	m^3	9.16E+01	1.88E+02	0.00E+00	2.64E-02	3.74E+01	5.27E-03	2.33E-04	-1.32E+01
Acronyms	GWP-fossil = Global Warming Potential fossil fuels; GWP-biogenic = Global Warming Potential biogenic; GWP-luluc = Global Warming Potential land use and land use change; ODP = Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer; AP = Acidification potential, Accumulated Exceedance; EP-freshwater = Eutrophication potential, fraction of nutrients reaching freshwater end compartment; EP-marine = Eutrophication potential, fraction of nutrients reaching marine end compartment; EP-terrestrial = Eutrophication potential, Accumulated Exceedance; POCP = Formation potential of tropospheric ozone; ADP-minerals&metals = Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources; ADP-fossil = Abiotic depletion for fossil resources potential; WDP = Water (user) deprivation potential, deprivation-weighted water consumption								

*For environmental impact of hardened product, the values in A1-A3 are multiplied with 1,03.

** Disclaimer: The results of this environmental impact indicator should be used with caution as the uncertainty in these results is large or because there is limited experience with the indicator.

"E" means exponent (10^x). For example, 3.5 E-02 means 3.5*10-2 and can be read as 0.035.

Potential environmental impact – additional mandatory and voluntary indicators

Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	B1	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
		Results per functional or declared unit							
PM	Disease incidence	3.53E-01	6.34E-07	0.00E+00	6.10E-08	1.26E-07	1.22E-08	1.93E-10	-3.25E-08
IRP	kBq U235 e	7.96E+03	3.60E-01	0.00E+00	7.01E-03	7.14E-02	1.40E-03	3.19E-05	-7.25E-01
ETP-fw	CTUe	1.72E+02	2.80E+02	0.00E+00	2.92E+01	5.55E+01	5.84E+00	1.64E-02	-2.06E+01
HTP-c	CTUh	1.32E-03	5.59E-09	0.00E+00	5.90E-10	1.11E-09	1.18E-10	2.43E-12	-6.12E-10
HTP-nc	CTUh	1.60E-02	3.41E-07	0.00E+00	3.27E-08	6.77E-08	6.55E-09	2.67E-10	-2.24E-08
SQP	Dimensionless	4.74E+02	2.05E+02	0.00E+00	1.39E+01	4.06E+01	2.78E+00	5.82E-03	-9.01E+01

Use of resources

Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	B1	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
		Results per functional or declared unit							
RPEE	MJ	2.86E+02	5.49E+01	0.00E+00	2.25E+00	1.09E+01	4.51E-01	3.88E-03	-1.79E+01
RPEM	MJ	3.65E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
TPE	MJ	2.87E+02	5.49E+01	0.00E+00	2.25E+00	1.09E+01	4.51E-01	3.88E-03	-1.79E+01
NRPE	MJ	6.23E+02	1.60E+02	0.00E+00	4.05E+01	3.18E+01	8.09E+00	2.89E-02	-3.33E+01
NRPM	MJ	1.46E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
TRPE	MJ	6.38E+02	1.60E+02	0.00E+00	4.05E+01	3.18E+01	8.09E+00	2.89E-02	-3.33E+01
SM	kg	3.18E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
RSF	MJ	1.34E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
NRSF	MJ	2.24E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
W	m^3	3.41E+00	4.39E+00	0.00E+00	2.58E-03	8.71E-01	5.16E-04	7.12E-06	-3.30E-01
Acronyms	PERE = Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PERM = Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PERT = Total use of renewable primary energy resources; PENRE = Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PENRM = Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PENRT = Total use of non-renewable primary energy re-sources; SM = Use of secondary material; RSF = Use of renewable secondary fuels; NRSF = Use of non-renewable secondary fuels; FW = Use of net fresh water									

Waste production and output flows

Waste production

		Results per functional or declared unit							
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	B1	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Hazardous waste disposed	kg	4.56E-02	6.74E-10	0.00E+00	2.04E-09	1.34E-10	4.08E-10	3.06E-12	-8.95E-09
Non-hazardous waste disposed	kg	8.93E+01	2.02E-02	0.00E+00	6.01E-03	4.01E-03	1.20E-03	1.44E-01	-1.38E-02
Radioactive waste disposed	kg	1.75E-02	1.73E-04	0.00E+00	4.89E-05	3.44E-05	9.79E-06	3.03E-07	-6.25E-03

Output flows

		Results per functional or declared unit							
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	B1	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Components for re-use	kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Material for recycling	kg	1.26E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.00E+03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Materials for energy recovery	kg	1.10E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	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	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Exported energy, thermal	MJ	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00

Other environmental performance indicators

		Results per functional or declared unit							
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	B1	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP-IOBC/GHG	kg CO2 eq.	1.54E+02	1.06E+01	-2.73E+00	2.97E+00	2.10E+00	5.94E-01	2.14E-03	-1.39E+00

Additional environmental information

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