

A Corporate Perspective on the Greenhouse Gas Protocol Product Life Cycle Accounting and Reporting Standard

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Product Life Cycle Accounting and Reporting Standard





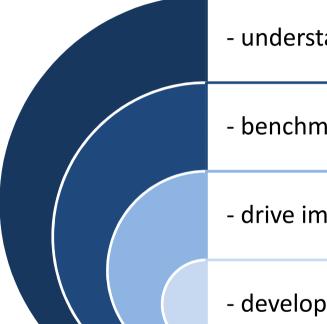
Agenda Overview

- Drivers for standardization in carbon footprinting
- The Greenhouse Gas Protocol standard development process
- Scope of the Product Life Cycle Accounting and Reporting Standard
- Challenges and limitations of a generic, single impact method
- Consequences for the stakeholders and needs for further work

... from a corporate perspective



Business benefits from product carbon footprinting



- understand climate change risk and opportunities
- benchmark, reduce and track GHG emissions
- drive improvements along the value chain
- develop and market differentiated products

Effective GHG management requires standardized accounting and reporting methods



The Greenhouse Gas Protocol (GHGP) is a trusted partner in international standardization

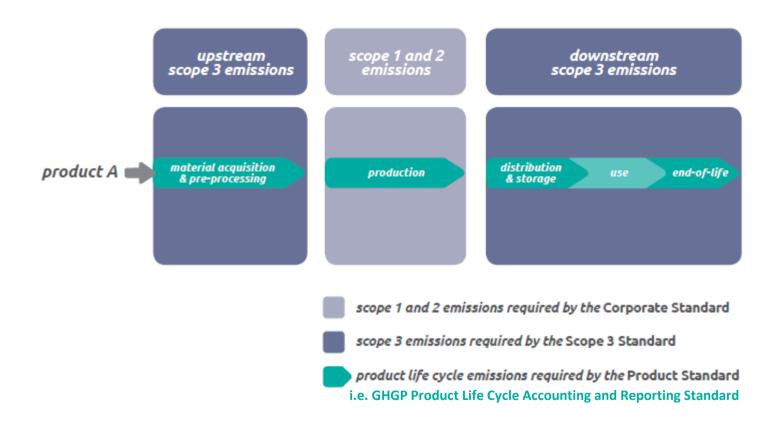


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- Multi-stakeholder partnership convened in 1998 by Word Resources Institute & World Business Council for Sustainable Development
- Mission: to develop internationally accepted greenhouse gas (GHG) accounting and reporting standards and promote their broad adoption to drive management and reduction of GHG emissions
- Standards at corporate, project and product level used internationally by a broad array of stakeholders
 - All standards, protocols, tools are freely available @ www.ghgprotocol.org
 - DuPont has been involved with the GHGP from the start



Product Life Cycle Accounting and Reporting is integrated in a suite of GHGP standards



Consistency in methods and terminology facilitates broad adoption



Many stakeholders contributed to the GHGP Product Life Cycle Accounting and Reporting Standard

Success Factors:

- inclusive stakeholder process
- global harmonization
- feedback from road testers
- tools and guidance

Secretariat

c/o WRI &WBCSD

Steering Committee

25 international experts from industry, NGO's, academia, government

Technical Working Groups

over 100 participants from industry, NGO's, academia, government

Road Testers

38 companies large and small from various industries

General Stakeholders

over 2300 participants from 55 countries
12 in-person events, 169 sets of written comments
in development of Scope 3, Product Life Cycle Accounting and Reporting Standards

DuPont was engaged over the entire 2008-2011 development period



The GHG Product Standard translates ISO 14040cc into carbon footprint guidance for business use



Many LCA challenges also apply to this single impact method. In addition, potential trade offs between impacts need to be considered.



The generic GHGP Product Standard cannot provide sufficient details to support product comparisons

Supported by the Product Standard as-is

Product performance tracking over time

Supported with additional specifications (e.g. sector guidance, product rules)

- Purchasing decisions (e.g. by customers or consumers)
- Product labels

Not supported by the Product Standard

• Comparative Assertions (as defined in ISO 14044)

Further sector and product specific guidance is required!



The GHG Product Standard is widely accepted and spawned the development of tools and further guidance

Examples of tools in support of the Product Standard

Reporting Templates Data Base References Calculation Tools

Capacity Building

Examples of further sector and product guidance

TDMA
Carbon
Footprint

WBCSD
Chemical Sector
GHG & LCA
2013 & 2014, www.wbcsd.org

Avoided
Emissions
2013, www.icca-chem.org

GHGP
Product
Innovation
in progress, www.ghgprotocol.org

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