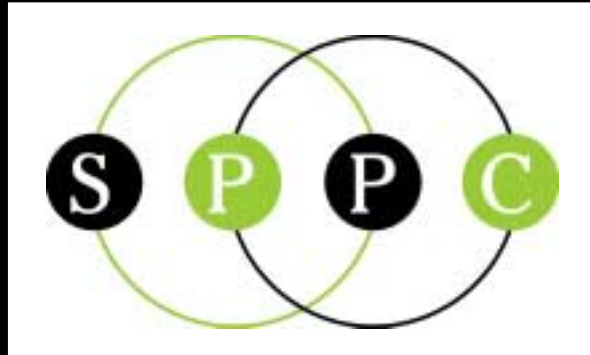


# Life Cycle Analysis & Purchasing Workshop

**InLCA/LCM 2003**

Seattle, WA USA  
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**Sustainable Products Purchasers Coalition**

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# Current Issues

Virtually all environmental impacts of a product are defined in the design stage.

Perception exists among manufacturers that to do an LCA and make their LCA public provides little marketing benefit and opens them up to their competition.

## Who Do People Trust On The Environment?



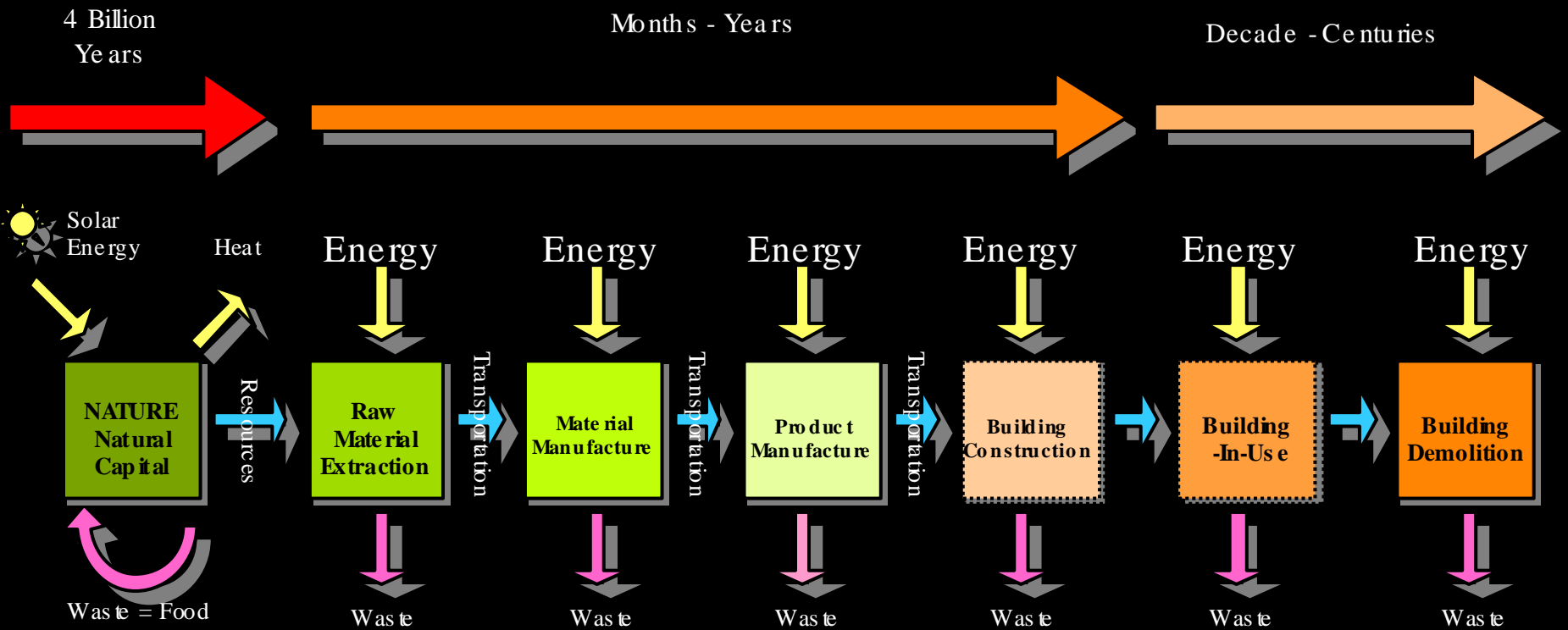
Source: Eurobarometer 2000



*The Preamble  
to the U.S. Constitution*

We the people of the United States,  
in order to form a more perfect Union,  
establish justice, insure domestic tranquility,  
provide for the common defense, promote the  
general welfare, and secure the blessings of  
liberty to ourselves and our posterity,  
do hereby constitute and establish  
this Constitution for the United States of America.

# Typical Building Production Life Cycle



# Manufacturers

Internal use of LCA's

## **Engineering for Design**

To determine lowest environmental impact

## **Benchmarking**

Measuring performance across an organization

Annual tracking of environmental performance

# Manufacturers

External use of LCA's

## **Benchmarking**

Across an industry (Eco Labels)

## **Public Policy**

Extended Producer Responsibility

## **Kyoto Protocol**

Measuring climate change

# Manufacturers

## External use of LCA's

### Marketing

To achieve market advantage

#### Dupont Antron

“Our goal for the 21<sup>st</sup> century is to become a **sustainable growth** company – **one that creates shareholder and societal value while decreasing our environmental footprint** along the value chains in which we operate.”

Charles O. Holiday, Jr.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and  
Chief Safety, Health and Environment Officer



# Manufacturers

External use of LCA's

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) USA

*Environmentally Preferable Purchasing program (EPP)*

*Help prevent waste and pollution by considering environmental impacts*

# Purchasers

How do purchasers choose a product?

# Purchasers

How purchasers choose a product...

Cost

Durability

Availability

Multiple Source

Reputation

Relationships

Environmental Considerations

# Purchasers

Single Attribute Claims....

Recycled Content

Water Use Reduction

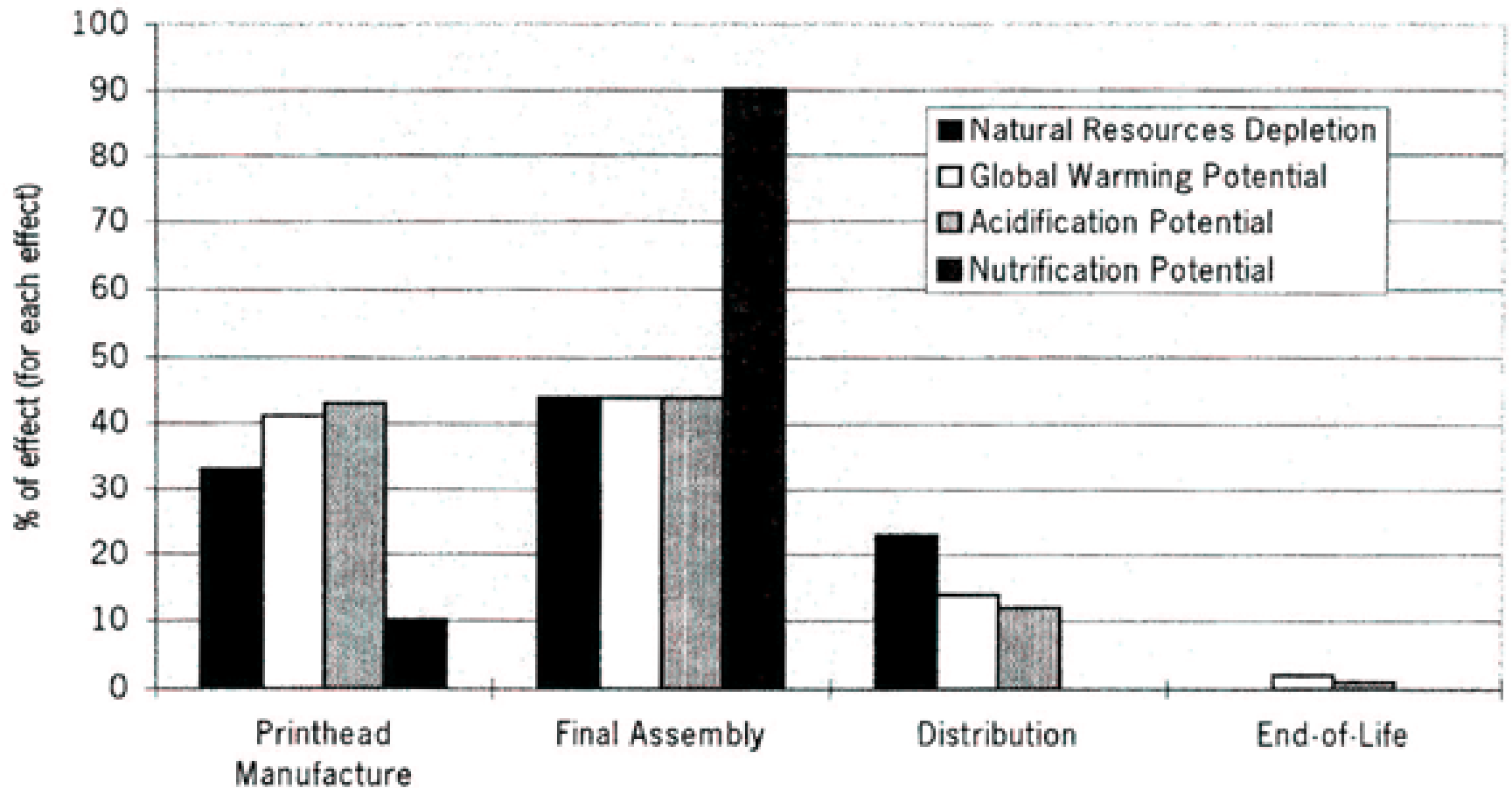
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Low VOC



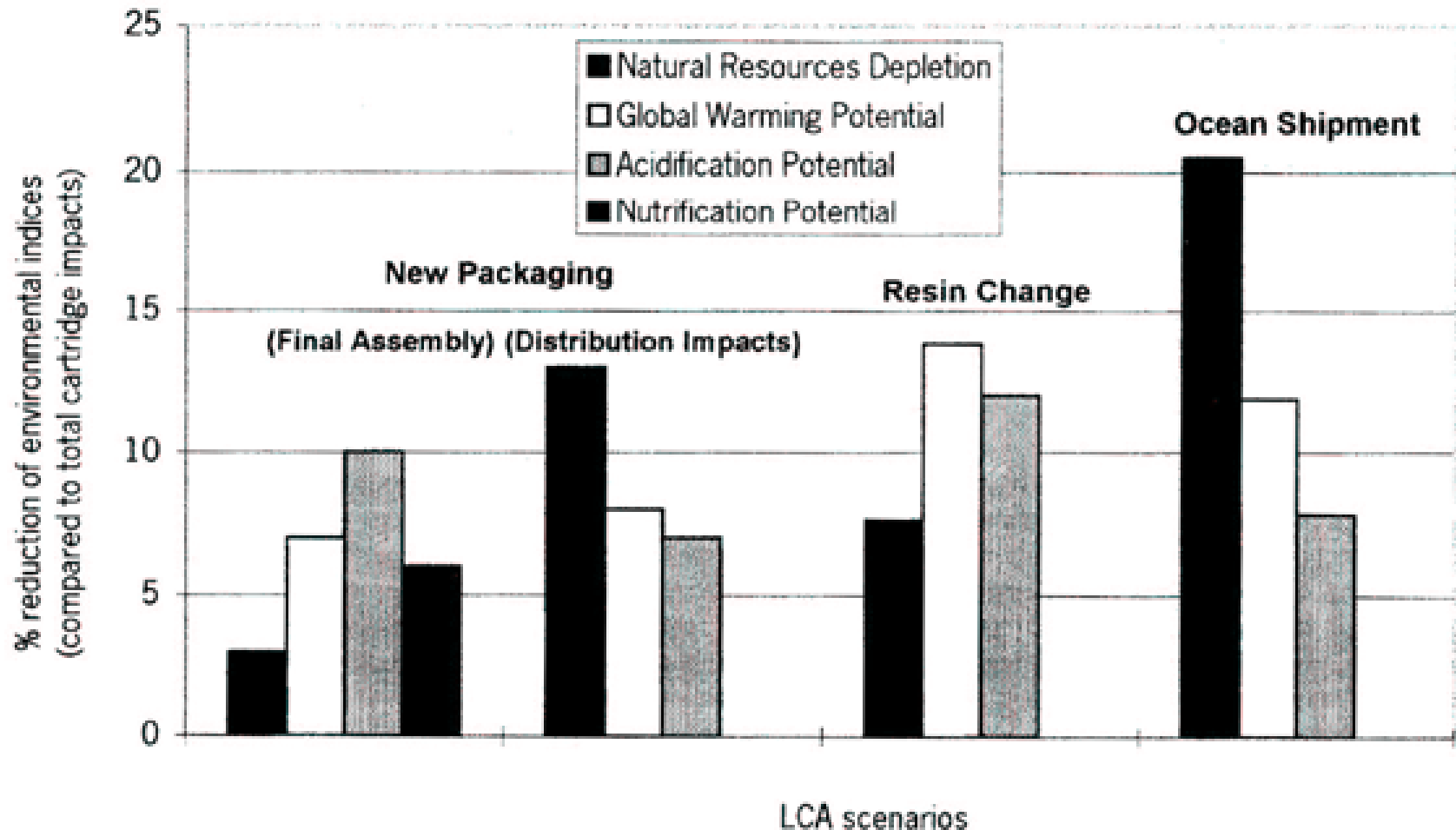
# LCA Comparisons

Fig. 3. Inkjet Print Cartridge: Life Cycle Profile of Selected Potential Environmental Impacts



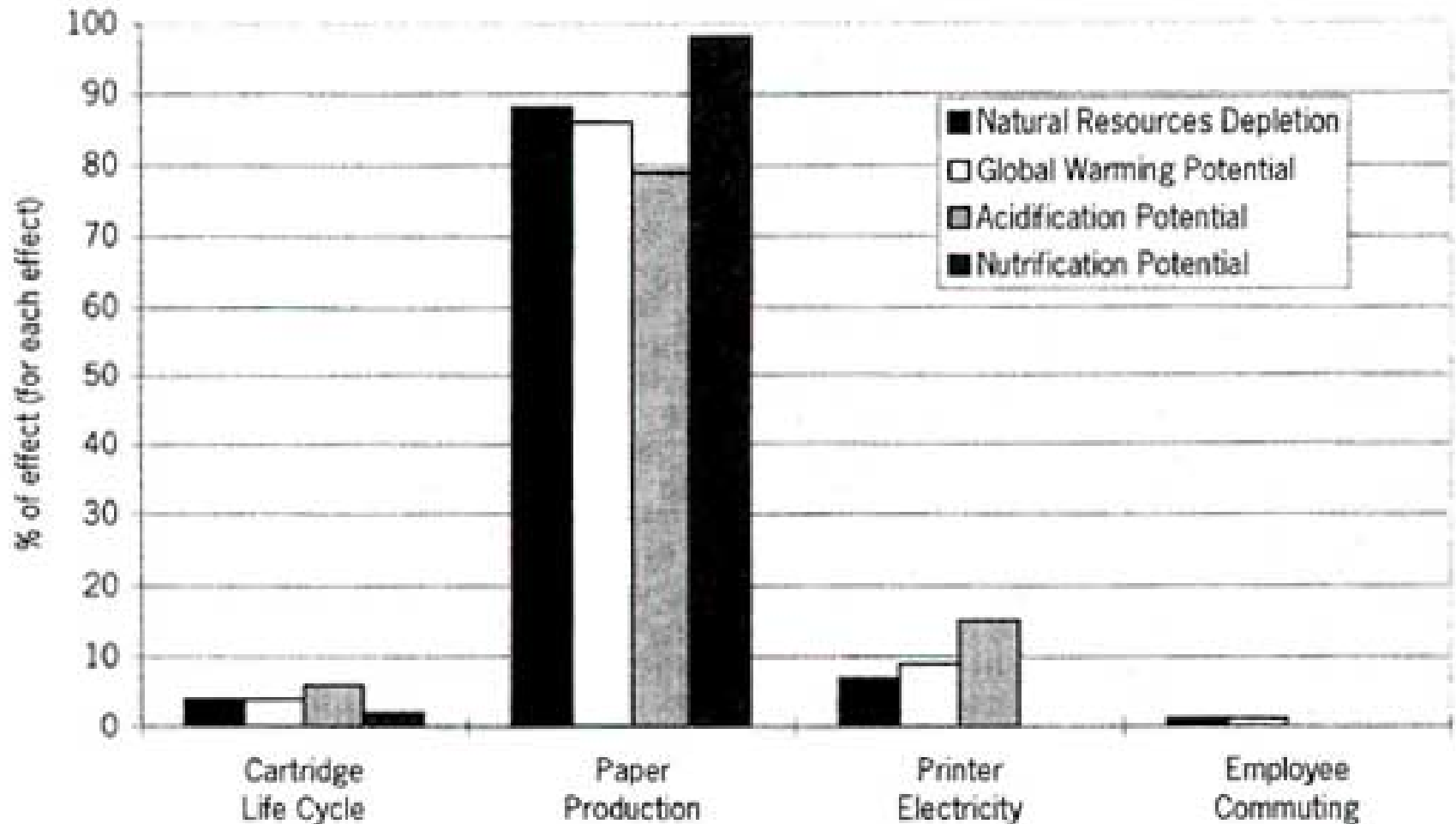
# LCA Comparisons

Fig. 4 Inkjet Print Cartridge: Changes in Potential Environmental Impacts Due to Product/Process Scenarios



# LCA Comparisons

Fig. 5. Inkjet Print Cartridge: Potential Environmental Impacts - Results Put in Perspective





## SUSTAINABILITY

## Total Environmental Impact

## WHAT'S NEW

## CARPET FIBER

## SUSTAINABILITY

## INNOVATIONS

## FLOORING CATALOG

## HOW TO

## RESOURCES

**Natural Resources**

(depletable) includes every pound of organic or inorganic material removed from the earth to provide materials or energy for manufacturing. This covers extraction from the ground to the delivery of fiber to carpet mills. Natural Resources include the coal, oil and gas used to generate electricity, as well as the oil and gas used as feed stock for nylon intermediates. They are also used as finishes for pigments to color nylon.

**Total Environmental Impact (TEI) Index**

(click on the category to see the detail)

	Industry Impact	Antron® nylon in 2000	Antron® nylon in 2010
<b>Natural Resources</b>	10	8	7
<b>Global Warming Emissions</b>	10	8	4
<b>Other Air Emissions</b>	10	8	7
<b>Land Emissions</b>	10	7	2
<b>Water Use</b>	10	7	5
<b>Safety and Health</b>	10	4	2
<b>Value Recovery</b>	10	9	5
<b>Total Environmental Impact (TEI) Index</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>

**What are we doing about it?**

- Between 1990-2000, we increased our production by 35% without increasing energy use.
- We've increased the efficiency of our power plants through modernization, co-generation and in some cases, using waste, not fossil fuels, to generate power.
- Our ongoing recycling efforts throughout the entire manufacturing process limit the use of new resources.
- In the last five years, the need for fiber finishes has been reduced

## Inventory data source:

**Franklin Associates, typical U.S. High impact polystyrene inventory, 1998 data excludes capital goods (emissions from factory infrastructure production)**

Impacts characterized by the Eco-Indicator 95 method

<b>EI95 Impact category</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>HIPS</b>	<b>HIPS recycled</b>
<b>greenhouse</b>	kg CO2	1.317	1.014
<b>ozone layer</b>	kg CFC11	1.21E-08	1.266E-08
<b>acidification</b>	kg SO2	0.02251	0.01487
<b>eutrophication</b>	kg PO4	0.000675	0.0005448
<b>heavy metals</b>	kg Pb	6.18E-06	0.000003968
<b>carcinogens</b>	kg B(a)P	3.78E-09	2.732E-09
<b>winter smog</b>	kg SPM	0.01942	0.01234
<b>summer smog</b>	kg C2H4	0.003252	0.001795
<b>pesticides</b>	kg act.subst		
<b>energy resources</b>	MJ LHV	45.7	28.79
<b>solid waste</b>	kg	0.1358	0.1462

# Environmental Impacts Categories

- Climate Change
- Stratospheric Ozone Depletion
- Eutrophication
- Photochemical Smog
- Acidification
- Human Toxicity
- Eco-Toxicity
- Water Resource Depletion
- Mineral Resource Depletion
- Fossil Fuel Depletion
- Land Use/Biodiversity
- Soil Conservation

# SPDS

## Example of two products



**SPDS** © 2003

Sustainable Product Declaration Sheet

### A. PRODUCT INFORMATION

Product Name  Model No.

Functional Unit

Manufacturers Name

Address

City  State/Prov.  Zip

Contact Person First  Last

Phone   Fax

Email Address

### B. ENVIRONMENTAL PROFILE SUMMARY

See accompanying detail summary for more information

#### IMPACT CATEGORIES

<b>1</b>	ACIDIFICATION	<input type="text" value="1130"/> milligrams liters
<b>2</b>	CLIMATE CHANGE/GLOBAL WARMING	<input type="text" value="3685"/> grams CO <sub>2</sub>
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# SPDS

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Sustainable Product Declaration Sheet

Sheet

### A. PRODUCT INFORMATION

Product Name **Interior Const., Lockers - Athlon** Model No.   
Functional Unit **1 square foot for 50 years**  
Manufacturers Name **Trespa**  
Address   
City  State/Prov.  Zip   
Contact Person First  Last   
Phone  Fax   
Email Address

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# Who is the SPPC?

We were incorporated in 2002 as a 501 C (6) non-profit organization.

We are a consortium of organizations interested in sustainable purchasing from the world of:

Businesses

Government agencies

Non-profits



# Goals

1. Provide a forum where purchasers can share their problems, solutions, research and product specifications.

Some members may want to use the membership network to find partners for group purchases.

# Goals

## 2. Speak as one voice to suppliers.

As a Coalition, we'll ask manufacturers for life-cycle analysis that provides a full accounting of the environmental and social impacts of their products.

The strength of our numbers will give us leverage to get the information our members need to make informed purchases.

# Mission

Act as a Catalyst for the transformation of industry and the marketplace to develop, produce, and consume sustainable products.

Utilize purchasing power to accelerate use of LCA tools to address the current need for product environmental performance data that is:

- consistent
- clear
- concise
- comparable

# Membership

A large diverse membership of consumers who specify, purchase, and use manufactured products including, but not limited to:

Building Materials

Office Products

Cleaning Products

Automobiles

Furnishings

# SPPC Accomplishments

- ✓ Attracted a member base with a purchasing power of \$1.4 billion and growing.
- ✓ Created the Sustainable Product Data Sheet (SPDS)
- ✓ Assisted in getting scientists and LCA experts to discuss the need for single format reporting of LCA data
- ✓ Educating the public on LCA and the benefits of Sustainable Purchasing

# SPPC

## Development Schedule

Phase 1 Web Site -- available now

Phase 2 Comparable LCA data -- November 2003

Phase 3 Economic Indicators -- January 2004

Phase 4 Member Forum -- March 2004

# What is Next?

Outreach to Manufacturers

Creating an online members forum for members to share:

Research

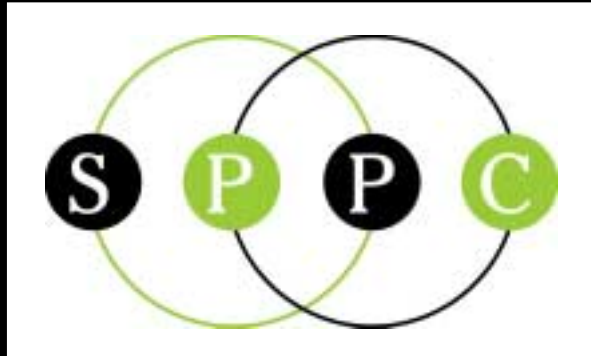
Product data

Product selection methods

Policy language

Etc...

Allowing our members to have exclusive access to some of the world's finest LCA experts.



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