**One Click LCA® – Result reporting template for LEED v4 MRc1 Building Life-Cycle Impact Reduction, Option 4**

Life cycle assessment results for achieving credits for LEED v4 MRc1 Building Life-cycle Impact reduction credit and its option 4: Whole building impact assessment.



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# Life cycle impact assessment result summary

The life cycle assessment was calculated using One Click LCA. The results are summarized in following table. The results represent the total life cycle impact during 60 year service life.

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| Impact category | Unit | Baseline result | Proposed design result | Reduction, % |
| Global warming potential (greenhouse gases) | kgCO2 eq |  |  |  |
| Depletion of the stratospheric ozone layer | kgCFC-11 eq |  |  |  |
| Acidification of land and water sources | kgSO2 eq |  |  |  |
| Eutrophication | N eq |  |  |  |
| Formation of tropospheric ozone(photochemical oxidant formation) | NOxeq |  |  |  |
| Depletion of non-renewable energy resources | MJ |  |  |  |

Number of environmental impact categories with more than 10 % reduction:

*[Insert here your summary graph of results comparing the proposed building to baseline building. (copy from project main page).]*

# The life cycle assessment scope and service life

One Click LCA tool was used to model both baseline and proposed building.

In the assessment following life cycle stages according to EN 15804 (2012) were included:

* A1-A3 Construction Materials
* A4 Transportation to site
* B1-B5 Maintenance and material replacements
* C1-C4 Deconstruction

Building service life was estimated to be 60 years which is fixed in the tool settings.

# Description of the datasets

One Click LCA calculation tool was used for the analysis. All of the datasets in the tool follow ISO14044 standard.

The One Click LCA tool LEED LCA tool for North America was used in the assessment. The tool uses US/Canadian data and supports TRACI 2.1 and all required impact categories.

**Special note for TRACI:** Formation of tropospheric ozone (for TRACI 2.1.) in the Full Reference Guide LCA text refers erroneously to unit “NOxeq” whereas TRACI 2.1. uses O3eq (Ozone-equivalent). See United States Environmental Protection Agency: Tool for the Reduction and Assessment of Chemical and other Environmental Impacts (TRACI), TRACI version 2.1, Documentation Nr S-10637-CP-2–0. When submitting the credits using the LEED v4’s dynamic PDF forms the user is suggested to choose “NOx”.

Also, for depletion of nonrenewable energy, the Full Reference Guide LCA text states that for the purposes of complying with this credit, depletion means “the amount used”.

# Analysis material scope

The material scope in was the same in both baseline and proposed design. The LCA analysis included following building elements:

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| Element | Included | Comment (mark if something is not relevant) |
| Standard foundations | Yes  |  |
| Special foundations | Yes |  |
| Slab on Grade | Yes |  |
| Basement excavation | No |  |
| Basement Walls | Yes |  |
| Columns | Yes |  |
| Beams |  |  |
| Floor Construction | Yes |  |
| Floor / Ceiling Finishes | ? | Optional |
| Roof Construction | Yes |  |
| Exterior and Semi-exterior Walls from cladding to finishing | Yes | Semi-exterior elements separate conditioned space from unconditioned space or that encloses semi-heated space (e.g., attic, crawl space, and basement). |
| Exterior Windows | Yes |  |
| Exterior Doors | Yes |  |
| Roof Coverings | Yes |  |
| Roof Openings | Yes |  |
| Load-Bearing partitions | Yes |  |
| Other Partitions | ? | Optional |
| Interior Doors | ? | Optional |
| Fittings | No |  |
| Stair Construction | Yes |  |
| Stair Finishes | ? | Optional |
| Wall finishes | Yes | For included walls only |
| Parking structures | Yes |  |
| Parking lots | No |  |

As per LEED v4 specification following elements were excluded from the analysis: electrical and mechanical equipment and controls, plumbing fixtures, fire detection and alarm system fixtures, elevators, and conveying systems, excavation and other site development, parking lots.

# Description of Baseline building and explanation of equivalence

*[Guidance: Choose one of the options below based on the baseline strategy:]*

*[Option 1, modifying the baseline from existing building model, design alternative:]*

The baseline was created based on the proposed building design to ensure the equivalence of the proposed design and baseline in all required aspects including same area, location, function, energy performance, and directional exposure. The baseline building was created by changing the material definitions within One Click LCA tool.

The equivalence in energy performance and exposure conditions was ensured by following aspects:

* All alternative enclosure roof, wall and slab materials were modelled with similar R-value / U-value / F-Factor to ensure similar energy loss through the structure
* The size and location of the windows and skylights were kept similar in both models to ensure similar energy loss through the structure
* Structural elements were modelled with required load bearing capacity

*[If you have changed any of the above, clarify the equivalence.]*

Differences between the baseline and proposed building and the evidence in the equivalence in performance are explained in the table below.

*[Explain in the following table how the structures fulfill requirements for equivalence:*

* *functional requirements e.g. load bearing capacity,*
* *provide similar energy performance (evidence on U-values, R-values or F-factors)*
* *If you have changed structure service life evidence on how longer service life is reasoned for instance due to better material technical properties*
* *If you have changed material transport distances evidence how you can shorten the distance*
* *International projects only: How the chosen structures represents locally typical/legal choices]*

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| Baseline material / construction | Proposed material / construction | Equivalence in performance  |
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*Option 2, using early stage or alternative design model as a baseline:*

The baseline was created based on an early stage design option of the building. The equivalence in the programmatic function, area, location and directional exposure were the same in both of the models as they were designs of the same building. The baseline building was created by adding the alternative design model to One Click LCA tool.

The equivalence was ensured by following aspects:

* All alternative enclosure roof, wall and slab materials were modelled with similar R-value / U-value / F-Factor to ensure similar energy loss through the structure
* The size and location of the windows and skylights were kept similar in both models to ensure similar energy loss through the structure
* Structural elements were modelled with required load bearing capacity

Differences between the baseline and proposed building and the evidence in the equivalence in performance are explained in the table below.

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| Baseline material / construction | Proposed material / construction | Explanation of equivalence in performance (energy, functional requirements) |
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*[Option 3, using archetype design:]*

The baseline building was created by using the size, orientation, location, directional exposure and function of the proposed building but by replacing the structures with structures of a local archetype building. The impacts of the archetype building structures calculated with to One Click LCA.

The equivalence was ensured by following aspects:

* All alternative enclosure roof, wall and slab materials were modelled with similar R-value / U-value / F-Factor to ensure similar energy loss through the structure
* The size and location of the windows and skylights were kept similar in both models to ensure similar energy loss through the structure
* Structural elements were modelled with required load bearing capacity

Differences between the baseline and proposed building and the evidence in the equivalence in performance are explained in the table below.

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* *functional requirements e.g. load bearing capacity,*
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| Description of change | Explanation of equivalence in performance (energy, functional requirements) |
| Baseline | **Proposed** |
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# Description of Proposed building

The proposed building was calculated in One Click LCA based on design data from *[add here the description of the datasource and how analysis was executed.]*

# The detailed assessment results

As both proposed design and the proposed design were calculated separately the result tables for both of them are added here separately. Additionally a comparison table of all of the results is shown

Results for the baseline design



*[Add here your result tables from One Click LCA.]*

Results for the baseline design

Results for the proposed design and comparison



*[Guidance: Add here the comparison result tables from proposed design that shows the percentage differences.]*

# Description of One Click LCA calculation tool

The calculations were performed with One Click LCA calculation tool. The software is fully compliant with LEED v4 BD+C manual and “Full Reference Guide LCA text”. One Click LCA has been third party verified by ITB for compliancy with the following LCA standards: EN 15978, ISO 21931–1 and ISO 21929, and data requirements of ISO 14040 and EN 15804. You can find the official letters of compliancy here: https://www.oneclicklca.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/360optimi-verification-ITB-Certificate-scanned-1.pdf.

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