

ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION

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RapidSTACKTM

from Cubis Systems







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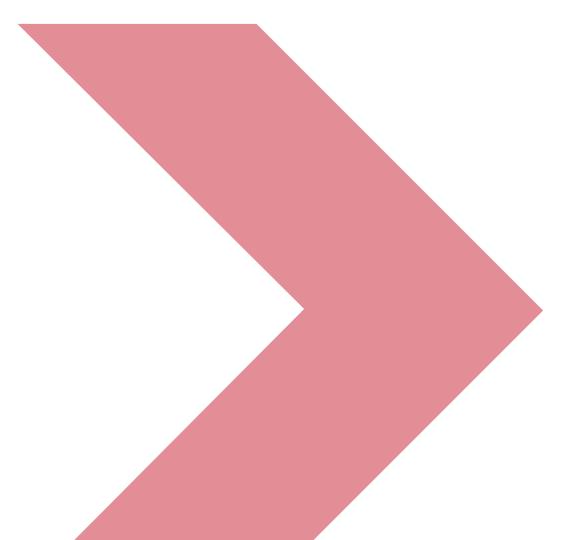
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PROGRAMME DETAILS

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CUBIS SYSTEMS

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PRODUCT-RELATED OR MANAGEMENT SYSTEM-RELATED CERTIFICATIONS:

Cubis Systems is certified to ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management and ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management.

NAME AND LOCATION OF PRODUCTION SITE(S):

Cubis Systems

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Cubis Systems

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DESCRIPTION OF THE ORGANISATION:

Cubis Systems is the market leader in access chambers and cable protection systems for use within global infrastructure markets. Active across seven distinct market sectors from water to telecoms, and selling to more than 30 countries, Cubis manufactures its products at sites across the UK and Ireland. Being part of CRH enables Cubis to draw down on some of the highest ethical standards and practices, whilst providing knowledge and expertise from one of the largest construction materials companies globally.

Our People

At Cubis, our ability to deliver the best for our customers rests on the commitment, talent and skills of our people. Our employees are dedicated to making the company's innovations in new designs, manufacturing techniques and materials work consistently for customers across the world. With customer satisfaction strongly embedded in our company culture, we build close relationships in key industries internationally to ensure Cubis products solve real-world issues in the building of underground infrastructure networks.

Our Products

Cubis products deliver high-quality modern solutions that replace conventional construction materials like bricks and concrete. Our strong, lightweight modular products incorporate intelligent design features and can be installed much faster than traditional methods, saving customers time and money.

All our products have been designed to maximise structural strength using the optimum amount of material thus eliminating any unnecessary weight or waste. By re-using materials, where possible, that would otherwise be disposed of as a waste, we not only divert them from waste streams, but also reduce the carbon footprint of our products and promote resource efficiency. The design and adaptability of our products also future proofs the system allowing for expanded capacity without a need for product replacement. Lightweight product parts remove the need for heavy lifting equipment, reducing the energy demand during installation.

Our Responsibilities

Whether in the workplace, the marketplace, the community or the environment, corporate responsibility matters to Cubis and we show it through the way we work and behave.

At Cubis Systems, we use a variety of materials to manufacture our products. Our goal is to create a closed loop recycling system and a circular economy. We can achieve this by using as much recycled material as we can in our manufacturing process and by ensuring our products are either recyclable or reusable wherever possible.

Health and Safety is integrated into the fabric of the company's business and operations. We fully support the right of every employee to work in an environment that means we all go home safely at the end of each day. We also take our responsibility to the environment seriously. We work hard to address the challenges of climate change both through product design and careful management of our production processes.



FAST AND EASY TO INSTALL

RapidSTACK[™] chambers are significantly faster to install than conventional alternatives, with complete installations typically taking up to one hour. This results in reduced costs for the installer. Only the larger sizes in the range require specialist equipment or plant in order to install the chamber.

VARIABILITY IN SIZE

RapidSTACK™ can be used to create multiple sizes of access chambers with clear openings up to 2000 x 2000mm. RapidSTACK[™] offers a huge range of chamber dimensions thanks to the number of standard sections and the variability offered by the system.

FLAT PACK OPTION

RapidSTACK™ chambers can be sent to site in 'flat pack' format, allowing for flexibility in delivery and installation



SECTIONAL DESIGN

Chambers are built to the required depth by adding 150mm stackable sections that are lightweight meaning they can be manually lifted. Each access chamber possesses vertical and horizontal ribs, resulting in a product that is strong vertically and on the sidewall. For most applications, RapidSTACK™ does not require specialist backfills, reducing installation costs.

FLEXIBLE DURING INSTALLATION

Chambers can be adapted to suit on-site conditions with standard tools to overbuild over existing networks and introduce duct entries for cable entry.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Further technical information including, product data sheets, technical drawings, BIM models, product brochures, installation guides, certifications and accreditations is available on the Cubis Systems website. www.cubis-systems.com/uk/technical-area/

LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY

LCA INFORMATION

DECLARED UNIT:

1kg of RapidSTACK

TIME REPRESENTATIVENESS:

2019

DATABASE USED:

Ecoinvent 3.6

LCA SOFTWARE USED:

Simapro 9.1

LCA PRACTITIONER:

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DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM BOUNDARIES:

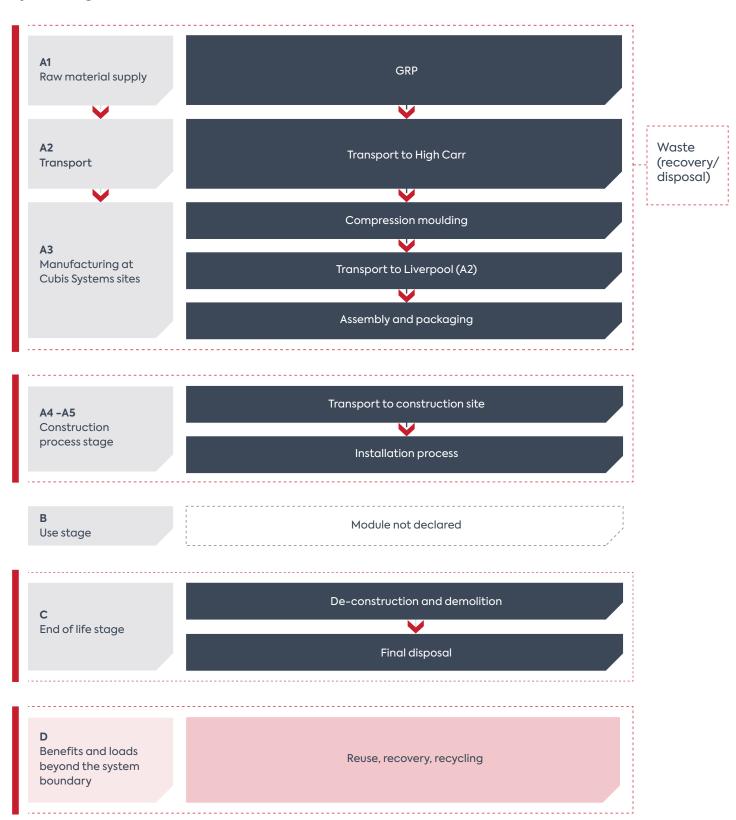
Cradle-to-gate with options (Modules A4-A5), modules C1-C4 and module D. System boundaries include:

- A1: Raw material extraction and processing, processing of secondary material input, production of energy used in manufacturing processes (A3);
- A2: Transport of raw materials and secondary material inputs to Cubis Systems sites and internal transport;
- A3: Manufacturing of the construction product and packaging, including water use, emissions to air and water discharges, waste disposal;
- A4: Transport to the installation site;
- **>** A5: Installation;
- C1: De-construction and demolition;
- C2: Transport to waste processing;
- C3: Waste processing for reuse, recovery and/or recycling;
- C4: Final disposal;
- > D: Estimate of the potential benefits and/or impacts in case the products under study were reused, recycled or recovered.

The system boundaries do not include:

- Input and output flows related to personnel (e.g. energy used in head offices and sales offices, transports of employees to and from workplace, water use for toilets, etc);
- Input and output flows related to production and maintenance of equipment.

System diagram



CUT-OFF:

The following cut-offs were applied: PL strapping and steel buckles used for packaging; auxiliary materials used at High Carr (lubricant).

ALLOCATION RULES:

Multifunctional situations were managed as follows:

- lectricity consumptions were allocated to the different production processes according to estimates provided by Cubis Systems staff;
- VOC and waste oil in Liverpool manufacturing site were allocated to compression/injection moulded products only;
- other input and output flows than those listed above were allocated based on the mass of products and co-products.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

Inventory indicators relating to the use of renewable and non-renewable secondary fuels, as well as energy exported in output flows, have been assumed 0, as these flows are not significant for the products under analysis and their modelling would be subject to a high level of uncertainty.

PRODUCTION PROCESS (A1-A3):

RapidSTACK is produced from Bulk Moulded Compound (BMC) GRP sections, 150 mm high, stacked on top of one another according to the desired configuration. Stackable sections range in length from 450 mm to 2000 mm.

The BMC GRP used for these products is produced in-house at High Carr. The RapidSTACK sections are manufactured by compression moulding

PACKAGING:

The product is packed on wooden pallets. It is assumed that pallets are reused 25 times [9].

ENERGY MIX:

Both Liverpool and High Carr sites use electricity 100% from renewable sources. The GWP-GHG of the electric mix used is 31.4 g CO2eq./kWh.

TRANSPORT AND INSTALLATION (A4 – A5):

- **Module A4:** Transportation impacts occurred from delivering the final products to the construction site, covering direct fuel exhaust emissions, environmental impacts of fuel production, as well as related infrastructure emissions. The distribution scenario was modelled according to logistics data provided by Cubis Systems and using Ecoinvent datasets for freight transport: truck > 32t (diesel) for road transport and ship (diesel) for extra-European transportation:
 - Vehicle type: truck > 32t (diesel) for road transport and ship (diesel) for extra-European transportation;
 - Weighted average distance: 649 km by truck, 44 km by ship;
 - Capacity utilisation: according to Ecoinvent datasets on freight transport in Europe;
 - Bulk density of transported products: trucks are loaded to their maximum mass capacity;
 - Volume capacity utilisation factor: <1.
- **Module A5:** The installation of RapidSTACKTM requires the following inputs:
 - excavator, diesel (0.023 litres/kg),
 - jumping jack, petrol (0.0015 litres/kg)
 - removal of excess soil by truck >32t (0.030 t/kg, distance 10 km one way), assumed 90% to recovery and 10% destined to landfill [10],
 - Waste materials generated by the product's installation: Packaging, wooden pallet, to energy recovery (assumed 50 km to recovery facility): 0.0079 kg.

END OF LIFE SCENARIO (C1 - C4):

- Collection process: 1 kg of waste collected separately.
- **Recovery system:** not relevant.
- **Disposal:** 1 kg of GRP rings for final disposal.
- Assumptions for scenario development:
 - Module C1: the same amount of diesel used for excavators during installation (module A5, 0.023 litres/kg) was assumed;
 - Module C2: a distance of 50 km is assumed for the transport of materials to disposal, distributed as 63% by truck and 37% by train [8];
 - Modules C3 / C4: Although recent industry analyses have recognised the possibility of recovering part of the GRP at the end of its life, as a precautionary measure GRP is assumed to be 100% destined to landfill.

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

Stages		Module	Modules declared	Geography	Specific data used	Variation – products	Variation – sites
Product stage	Raw material supply	A1	Х	EU			
rrodoct stage	Transport	A2	х	EU			
	Manufacturing	А3	х	UK	>90%	Not relevant	Not relevant
Construction	Transport	A4	х	Global			
process stage	Construction installation	A5	Х	Global			
V Use stage	Use	B1	ND	-	-	-	-
300 01230	Maintenance	B2	ND	-	-	-	-
	Repair	В3	ND	-	-	-	-
	Replacement	B4	ND	-	-	-	-
	Refurbishment	B5	ND	-	-	-	-
	Operational energy use	В6	ND	-	-	-	-
	Operational water use	В7	ND	-	-	-	-
End of life	De-construction demolition	C1	Х	Global	-	-	-
stage	Transport	C2	х	Global	-	-	-
	Waste processing	C3	x	Global	-	-	-
	Disposal	C4	Х	Global	-	-	-
Resource recovery stage	Reuse-Recovery- Recycling-potential	D	Х	Global	-	-	-

PRODUCT CONTENT

Product components	Weight, kg	Post-consumer material, weight-%	Renewable material, weight-%		
Rings - GRP, bulk moulded compound	0.98	0%	0		
Bolts, nuts, washers - Steel	0.012	0%	0		
TOTAL	1.0	0%	0		
Packaging materials	Weight, kg	Weight-% (vers	us the product)		
Pallet (wood)	0.0079	0.79%			
TOTAL	0.0079	0.79%			

The product does not contain dangerous substances from the candidate list of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) for Authorisation.



ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

Potential environmental impact – mandatory indicators according to EN 15804

Results per 1 kg of RapidSTACK										
INDICATOR	UNIT	Tot.A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
GWP-total	kg CO₂ eq.	2.65E+00	7.24E-02	1.07E-01	7.51E-02	3.67E-03	0.00E+00	1.14E-01	0.00E+00	
GWP-fossil	kg CO ₂ eq.	2.64E+00	7.24E-02	1.07E-01	7.51E-02	3.66E-03	0.00E+00	1.14E-01	0.00E+00	
GWP- biogenic**	kg CO ₂ eq.	7.65E-03	3.03E-05	2.63E-05	1.41E-05	4.54E-06	0.00E+00	1.02E-05	0.00E+00	
GWP- luluc	kg CO₂ eq.	1.38E-03	2.38E-05	1.43E-05	5.92E-06	2.28E-06	0.00E+00	2.23E-06	0.00E+00	
ODP	kg CFC 11 eq.	2.77E-07	1.69E-08	2.37E-08	1.62E-08	7.52E-10	0.00E+00	3.12E-09	0.00E+00	
АР	mol H* eq.	1.02E-02	3.18E-04	9.51E-04	7.85E-04	1.68E-05	0.00E+00	7.74E-05	0.00E+00	
EP- freshwater	kg P eq.	6.86E-05	5.60E-07	4.99E-07	2.73E-07	7.71E-08	0.00E+00	1.02E-07	0.00E+00	
EP- freshwater	kg PO₄³- eq.	2.10E-04	1.72E-06	1.53E-06	8.38E-07	2.36E-07	0.00E+00	3.14E-07	0.00E+00	
EP- marine	kg N eq.	1.89E-03	9.76E-05	4.04E-04	3.47E-04	4.63E-06	0.00E+00	1.47E-04	0.00E+00	
EP- terrestrial	mol N eq.	2.10E-02	1.08E-03	4.43E-03	3.80E-03	5.16E-05	0.00E+00	3.08E-04	0.00E+00	
POCP	kg NMVOC eq.	7.51E-03	3.41E-04	1.24E-03	1.05E-03	1.61E-05	0.00E+00	1.12E-04	0.00E+00	
ADP- minerals & metals*	kg Sb eq.	5.11E-05	1.22E-06	5.87E-07	1.15E-07	5.69E-08	0.00E+00	7.56E-08	0.00E+00	
ADP-fossil*	MJ	3.75E+01	1.12E+00	1.52E+00	1.03E+00	5.76E-02	0.00E+00	2.30E-01	0.00E+00	
WDP	m³	8.01E-01	3.65E-03	2.88E-03	1.38E-03	2.99E-04	0.00E+00	1.06E-03	0.00E+00	

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; EPmarine = 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, deprivationweighted water consumption

^{*} Disclaimer: 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. ** Disclaimer: As there is no significant contribution of biogenic carbon in the product, the balance of CO2 from biogenic origin entering and leaving the system was assumed to be neutral.

Potential environmental impact – additional mandatory and voluntary indicators

	Results per 1 kg of RapidSTACK								
INDICATOR UNIT Tot.A1-A3 A4 A5 C1 C2 C3 C4 D								D	
GWP-GHG ¹	kg CO₂ eq.	2.56E+00	7.17E-02	1.06E-01	7.43E-02	3.63E-03	0.00E+00	9.76E-02	0.00E+00

Use of resources

	Results per 1 kg of RapidSTACK									
INDICATOR	UNIT	Tot.A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
PERE	MJ	3.69E+00	1.44E-02	1.13E-02	5.59E-03	2.26E-03	0.00E+00	1.06E-02	0.00E+00	
PERM	MJ	1.34E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	
PERT	MJ	3.82E+00	1.44E-02	1.13E-02	5.59E-03	2.26E-03	0.00E+00	1.06E-02	0.00E+00	
PENRE	MJ	2.26E+01	1.12E+00	1.52E+00	1.03E+00	5.76E-02	0.00E+00	2.30E-01	0.00E+00	
PENRM	MJ.	1.49E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	
PENRT	MJ	3.75E+01	1.12E+00	1.52E+00	1.03E+00	5.76E-02	0.00E+00	2.30E-01	0.00E+00	
SM	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	
RSF	МЈ	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	
NRSF	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	
FW	m³	2.45E-02	1.29E-04	1.06E-04	5.32E-05	1.41E-05	0.00E+00	2.86E-04	0.00E+00	
	PERE = Use o	f renewable prim	nary energy exc	luding renewabl	e primary energ	gy resources use	d as raw materio	als; PERM = Use (of renewable	

Acronyms

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

¹ 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.

Waste production and output flows

Waste production

	Results per 1 kg of RapidSTACK									
INDICATOR	UNIT	Tot.A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
Hazardous waste disposed	kg	1.72E-03	0.00E+00							
Non-hazardous waste disposed	kg	2.82E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.00E+00	0.00E+00	
Radioactive waste disposed	kg	1.10E-04	7.65E-06	1.05E-05	7.18E-06	3.83E-07	0.00E+00	1.52E-06	0.00E+00	

Output flows

	Results per 1 kg of RapidSTACK									
INDICATOR	UNIT	Tot.A1-A3	A4	A5	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	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	
Materials for energy recovery	kg	8.24E-02	0.00E+00	7.88E-03	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	

Information on biogenic carbon content

Results per functional or declared unit								
BIOGENIC CARBON CONTENT	QUANTITY							
Biogenic carbon content in product	kg C	0						
Biogenic carbon content in packaging	kg C	0.0039						

Note: 1 kg biogenic carbon is equivalent to 44/12 kg CO_{2} .



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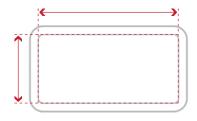
PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

RAPIDSTACK



LENGTH (mm)	WIDTH (mm)	HEIGHT (mm)	WEIGHT (kg)
450	450	150	10
600	450	150	12
600	600	150	14
750	675	150	16
900	450	150	15
900	600	150	17
900	900	150	20
1000	1000	150	24
1220	600	150	19
1220	675	150	20
1300	600	150	19
1300	850	150	21
1500	1500	150	34
1800	600	150	28
1800	900	150	30
1800	1800	150	41
2000	2000	150	46

^{*} Network access chamber sections are measured by the inside measurement of the chamber ring section and this is referred to as the clear opening.



OTHER ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Cubis is a member of Composites UK. Within this association, CUBIS participate in the Composites UK Sustainability & Construction Sub-Group with involvement in research projects to expand the recycling knowledge and capabilities of composites.

For further information on Cubis' Sustainability Report please see our website: www.cubis-systems.com

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Cubis Systems is Europe's leading manufacturer of network access chamber and ducting systems, used in the construction of infrastructure networks for rail, telecoms, water, construction and energy markets.

Cubis has developed an innovative approach in a traditional industry. This has been achieved by developing quality products which replace traditional construction materials, like bricks and concrete, with lightweight plastics incorporating intelligent design features. These can then be installed faster and ultimately save our customers both time and money.

Cubis manufactures preformed network access chamber systems STAKKAbox $^{\text{TM}}$, AX-S $^{\text{TM}}$ access covers, MULTIduct $^{\text{TM}}$ multiple duct system and PROtrough cable trough at its manufacturing sites throughout the UK and Ireland these products are exported to more than 30 countries throughout the world.

At Cubis we pride ourselves on delivering technical customer support, new innovation, product quality and the highest levels of customer satisfaction.