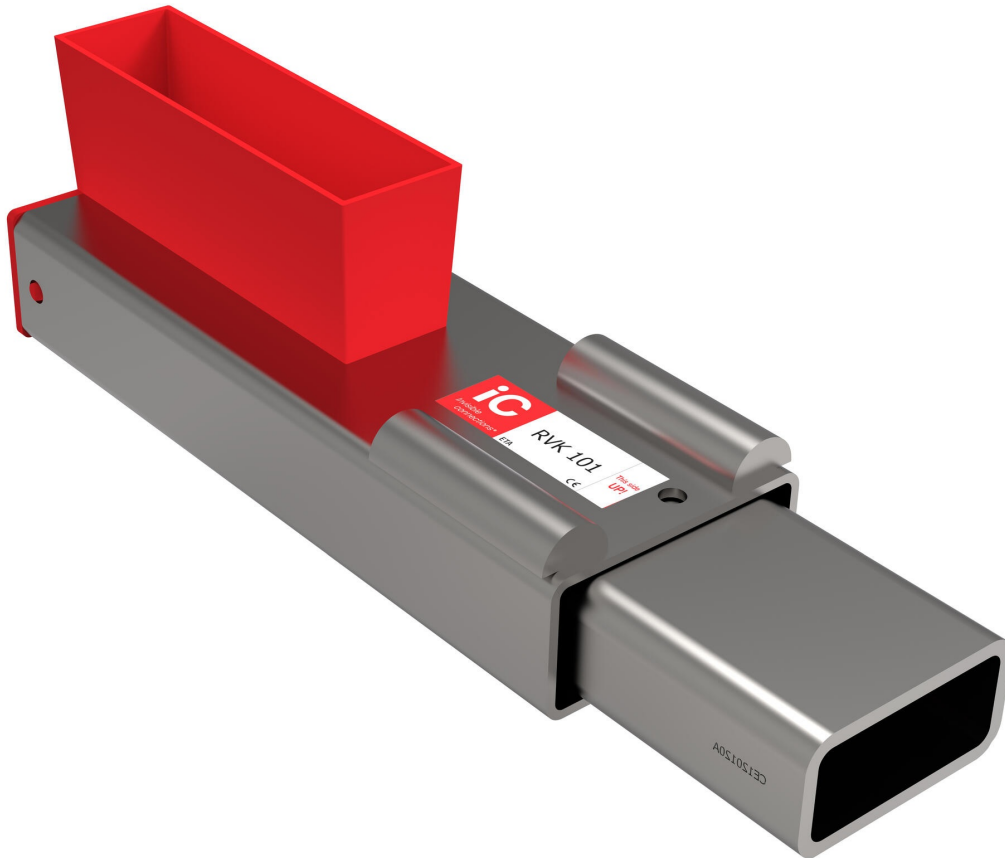


Environmental product declaration

In accordance with ISO 14025 and EN15804+A2

RVK 101



The Norwegian EPD Foundation

Owner of the declaration:

Invisible Connections AS

Product:

RVK 101

Declared unit:

1 pcs

This declaration is based on Product Category Rules:

CEN Standard EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 serves as core PCR

NPCR 013:2021 Part B for Steel and aluminium construction products

Program operator:

The Norwegian EPD Foundation

Declaration number:

NEPD-8967-8624

Registration number:

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Issue date: 05.02.2025

Valid to: 05.02.2030

EPD software:

LCAno EPD generator ID: 311967

General information

Product

RVK 101

Program operator:

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Statement of liability:

The owner of the declaration shall be liable for the underlying information and evidence. EPD Norway shall not be liable with respect to manufacturer information, life cycle assessment data and evidences.

Declared unit:

1 pcs RVK 101

Declared unit with option:

A1-A3,A4,A5,C1,C2,C3,C4,D

Functional unit:

Telescopic connector. Inner and outer tube made of steel.

General information on verification of EPD from EPD tools:

Independent verification of data, other environmental information and the declaration according to ISO 14025:2010, § 8.1.3 and § 8.1.4. Verification of each EPD is made according to EPD-Norway's guidelines for verification and approval requiring that tools are i) integrated into the company's environmental management system, ii) the procedures for use of the EPD tool are approved by EPD-Norway, and iii) the process is reviewed annually by an independent third party verifier. See Appendix G of EPD-Norway's General Programme Instructions for further information on EPD tools

Verification of EPD tool:

Independent third party verification of the EPD tool, background data and test-EPD in accordance with EPDNorway's procedures and guidelines for verification and approval of EPD tools.

Third party verifier:

Alexander Borg, Asplan Viak AS

(no signature required)

Owner of the declaration:

Invisible Connections AS
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Manufacturer:

Invisible Connections AS

Place of production:

Invisible Connections AS

, Norway

Management system:

NS-EN 1090

Organisation no:

992435194

Issue date:

05.02.2025

Valid to:

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Year of study:

2023

Comparability:

EPD of construction products may not be comparable if they not comply with EN 15804 and seen in a building context.

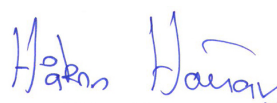
Development and verification of EPD:

The declaration is created using EPD tool lca.tools NEPDT038, developed by LCA.no. The EPD tool is integrated in the company's management system, and has been approved by EPD Norway.

Developer of EPD: Terje Berg

Reviewer of company-specific input data and EPD: John Egil Sæther

Approved:



Håkon Hauan
Managing Director of EPD-Norway

Product

Product description:

Stair connector to be casted in concrete landings.

<https://invisibleconnections.no/produkter/trapp-reposforbindelser/rvk/tss-101/>

Product specification

100kN capacity

Materials	kg	%
Plastic - Polyethylene (HDPE)	0,15	1,90
Metal - Stainless steel	0,09	1,07
Metal - Steel	7,80	97,03
Total	8,04	100,00

Packaging	kg	%
Packaging - Pallet	0,19	11,14
Packaging - Paper	1,20	72,15
Packaging - Wood	0,28	16,71
Total incl. packaging	9,70	100,00

Technical data:

Certificated after NS EN 1090 and EN 1090 UK

Market:

Global

Reference service life, product

Same as building

Reference service life, building or construction works

100 years

LCA: Calculation rules

Declared unit:

1 pcs RVK 101

Cut-off criteria:

All major raw materials and all the essential energy is included. The production processes for raw materials and energy flows with very small amounts (less than 1%) are not included. These cut-off criteria do not apply for hazardous materials and substances.

Allocation:

The allocation is made in accordance with the provisions of EN 15804. Incoming energy and water and waste production in-house is allocated equally among all products through mass allocation. Effects of primary production of recycled materials is allocated to the main product in which the material was used. The recycling process and transportation of the material is allocated to this analysis.

Data quality:

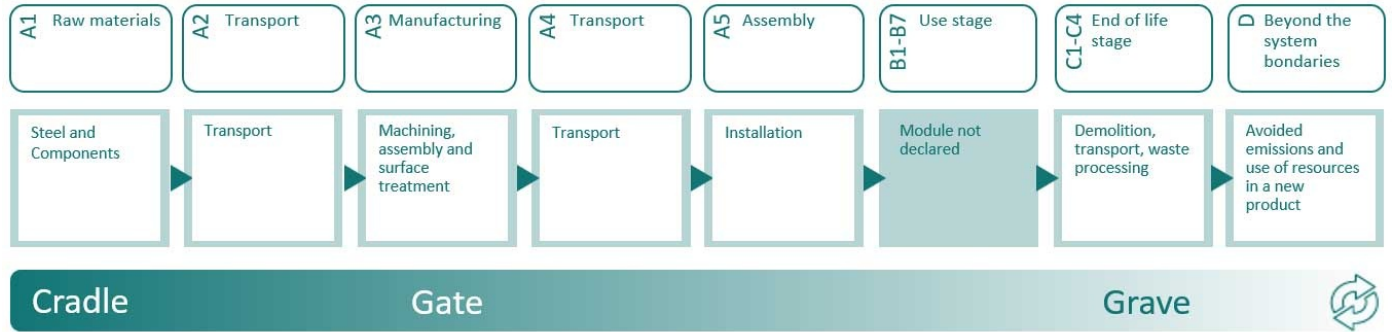
Specific data for the product composition are provided by the manufacturer. The data represent the production of the declared product and were collected for EPD development in the year of study. Background data is based on EPDs according to EN 15804 and different LCA databases. The data quality of the raw materials in A1 is presented in the table below.

Materials	Source	Data quality	Year
Metal - Stainless steel	ecoinvent 3.6	Database	2019
Metal - Steel	ecoinvent 3.6	Database	2019
Metal - Steel	S-P-02241	EPD	2020
Metal - Steel	S-P-05669	EPD	2022
Packaging - Pallet	Modified ecoinvent 3.6	Database	2019
Packaging - Paper	ecoinvent 3.6	Database	2019
Packaging - Wood	ecoinvent 3.6	Database	2019
Plastic - Polyethylene (HDPE)	ecoinvent 3.6	Database	2019

System boundaries (X=included, MND=module not declared, MNR=module not relevant)

Product stage			Construction installation stage		Use stage							End of life stage				Beyond the system boundaries
Raw materials	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse-Recovery-Recycling-potential
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
X	X	X	X	X	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	X	X	X	X	X

System boundary:



Additional technical information:

<https://invisibleconnections.no/en>

LCA: Scenarios and additional technical information

The following information describe the scenarios in the different modules of the EPD.














Products are sent to the factory or building sites that makes the concrete landing.

Packaging are 100% recyclabel. Or can be reused. (pallets and frames)

Transport from production place to user (A4)	Capacity utilisation (incl. return) %	Distance (km)	Fuel/Energy Consumption	Unit	Value (Liter/tonne)
Truck, 16-32 tonnes, EURO 6 (km)	36,7 %	1000	0,043	l/tkm	43,00
Assembly (A5)					
Unit	Value				
Waste, packaging, wood beam, softwood, raw, dried, u=20%, average treatment (kg) - A5, inkl. 85 km transp.	kg	0,27			
Waste, packaging, pallet, EUR wooden pallet, reusable, average treatment (kg) - A5, inkl. 85 km transp.	kg	0,18			
Waste, packaging, kraft paper, unbleached, to average treatment (kg)	kg	1,20			
Transport to waste processing (C2)					
Capacity utilisation (incl. return) %	Distance (km)	Fuel/Energy Consumption	Unit	Value (Liter/tonne)	
Truck, 16-32 tonnes, EURO 6 (km)	36,7 %	250	0,043	l/tkm	10,75
Waste processing (C3)					
Unit	Value				
Materials to recycling (kg)	kg	7,084			
Waste treatment per kg Polyethylene (PE), incineration with fly ash extraction (kg) - CH - C3	kg	0,15			
Disposal (C4)					
Unit	Value				
Waste, scrap steel, to landfill (kg)	kg	0,77			
Landfilling of ashes from incineration of Polypropylene (PP), process per kg ashes and residues (kg) - CH - C4	kg	0,0045			
Waste, scrap steel, for incineration (kg)	kg	0,028			
Benefits and loads beyond the system boundaries (D)					
Unit	Value				
Substitution of primary steel with net scrap (kg)	kg	6,25			
Substitution of electricity (MJ)	MJ	0,25			
Substitution of thermal energy, district heating, in Norway (MJ)	MJ	3,76			

LCA: Results

The LCA results are presented below for the declared unit defined on page 2 of the EPD document.

Environmental impact										
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
 GWP-total	kg CO ₂ -eq	1,81E+01	1,27E+00	2,83E+00	0	3,18E-01	4,62E-01	3,93E-03	-6,92E+00	
 GWP-fossil	kg CO ₂ -eq	2,10E+01	1,27E+00	2,71E-02	0	3,18E-01	4,62E-01	3,93E-03	-6,91E+00	
 GWP-biogenic	kg CO ₂ -eq	-2,85E+00	5,27E-04	2,80E+00	0	1,32E-04	3,73E-06	5,92E-06	-3,85E-03	
 GWP-luluc	kg CO ₂ -eq	2,05E-02	4,53E-04	8,40E-06	0	1,13E-04	5,48E-07	7,94E-07	-3,84E-03	
 ODP	kg CFC11 -eq	6,05E-07	2,88E-07	5,33E-09	0	7,21E-08	3,53E-10	1,73E-09	-1,59E-03	
 AP	mol H+ -eq	7,00E-02	3,66E-03	1,54E-04	0	9,14E-04	5,78E-05	3,59E-05	-3,44E-02	
 EP-FreshWater	kg P -eq	2,56E-04	1,02E-05	2,52E-07	0	2,54E-06	3,54E-08	3,48E-08	-4,26E-04	
 EP-Marine	kg N -eq	1,69E-02	7,24E-04	5,71E-05	0	1,81E-04	2,77E-05	1,34E-05	-7,14E-03	
 EP-Terrestrial	mol N -eq	1,83E-01	8,09E-03	6,15E-04	0	2,02E-03	3,00E-04	1,47E-04	-7,30E-02	
 POCP	kg NMVOC -eq	5,21E-02	3,10E-03	1,68E-04	0	7,75E-04	7,18E-05	4,23E-05	-3,47E-02	
 ADP-minerals&metals ¹	kg Sb-eq	1,06E-04	3,51E-05	5,98E-07	0	8,79E-06	1,62E-08	3,54E-08	-1,19E-04	
 ADP-fossil ¹	MJ	2,48E+02	1,92E+01	3,62E-01	0	4,81E+00	3,02E-02	1,16E-01	-5,83E+01	
 WDP ¹	m ³	3,61E+02	1,86E+01	4,84E-01	0	4,65E+00	6,84E-02	2,64E-01	3,53E+02	







GWP-total = Global Warming Potential total; 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

"Reading example: 9,0 E-03 = 9,0*10⁻³ = 0,009"

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Remarks to environmental impacts





Additional environmental impact indicators										
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
 PM	Disease incidence	7,75E-07	7,79E-08	2,12E-09	0	1,95E-08	2,27E-10	7,81E-10	-5,82E-07	
 IRP ²	kgBq U235 -eq	5,93E-01	8,41E-02	1,49E-03	0	2,10E-02	5,10E-05	5,01E-04	2,27E-02	
 ETP-fw ¹	CTUe	1,73E+02	1,43E+01	4,66E-01	0	3,57E+00	9,01E-02	7,11E-02	-3,86E+02	
 HTP-c ¹	CTUh	1,10E-08	0,00E+00	2,20E-11	0	0,00E+00	1,00E-11	3,00E-12	-3,32E-08	
 HTP-nc ¹	CTUh	1,25E-07	1,56E-08	1,01E-09	0	3,90E-09	3,87E-10	4,80E-11	7,18E-07	
 SQP ¹	dimensionless	3,47E+02	1,35E+01	2,33E-01	0	3,36E+00	3,66E-03	4,10E-01	-6,42E+00	

PM = Particulate Matter emissions; IRP = Ionizing radiation – human health; ETP-fw = Eco toxicity – freshwater; HTP-c = Human toxicity – cancer effects; HTP-nc = Human toxicity – non cancer effects; SQP = Potential Soil Quality Index (dimensionless)

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

Resource use										
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
 PERE	MJ	5,58E+01	2,75E-01	6,34E-03	0	6,89E-02	8,87E-04	1,95E-03	-6,64E+00	
 PERM	MJ	2,34E+01	0,00E+00	-2,34E+01	0	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	
 PERT	MJ	7,92E+01	2,75E-01	-2,34E+01	0	6,89E-02	8,87E-04	1,95E-03	-6,64E+00	
 PENRE	MJ	2,42E+02	1,92E+01	3,62E-01	0	4,81E+00	3,02E-02	1,16E-01	-5,82E+01	
 PENRM	MJ	6,56E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	
 PENRT	MJ	2,48E+02	1,92E+01	3,62E-01	0	4,81E+00	3,02E-02	1,16E-01	-5,82E+01	
 SM	kg	9,94E-01	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,28E-02	0,00E+00	
 RSF	MJ	1,81E-01	9,85E-03	2,03E-04	0	2,46E-03	2,50E-05	4,12E-05	2,48E-01	
 NRSF	MJ	8,81E-02	3,52E-02	1,23E-03	0	8,81E-03	0,00E+00	7,02E-04	7,13E+00	
 FW	m ³	1,21E-01	2,06E-03	1,94E-04	0	5,14E-04	8,53E-05	1,36E-04	-1,69E-02	

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 resources; SM = Use of secondary materials; RSF = Use of renewable secondary fuels; NRSF = Use of non-renewable secondary fuels; FW = Net use of fresh water

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End of life - Waste






Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
 HWD	kg	3,06E-02	9,92E-04	0,00E+00	0	2,48E-04	0,00E+00	2,26E-02	-3,58E-02
 NHWD	kg	3,03E+00	9,36E-01	1,49E+00	0	2,34E-01	0,00E+00	7,82E-01	-2,82E+00
 RWD	kg	1,64E-03	1,31E-04	0,00E+00	0	3,28E-05	0,00E+00	4,76E-08	1,74E-05

HWD = Hazardous waste disposed; NHWD = Non-hazardous waste disposed; RWD = Radioactive waste disposed

*Reading example: 9,0 E-03 = $9,0 \cdot 10^{-3} = 0,009$

*INA Indicator Not Assessed

End of life - Output flow

Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
 CRU	kg	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,76E-01	0	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00
 MFR	kg	6,71E-01	0,00E+00	1,12E+00	0	0,00E+00	7,08E+00	1,34E-02	0,00E+00
 MER	kg	7,21E-03	0,00E+00	3,71E-01	0	0,00E+00	1,53E-01	3,85E-08	0,00E+00
 EEE	MJ	8,38E-04	0,00E+00	2,68E-01	0	0,00E+00	2,97E-01	7,87E-04	0,00E+00
 EET	MJ	1,27E-02	0,00E+00	4,06E+00	0	0,00E+00	4,49E+00	1,19E-02	0,00E+00

CRU = Components for re-use; MFR = Materials for recycling; MER = Materials for energy recovery; EEE = Exported energy electrical; EET = Exported energy thermal

*Reading example: 9,0 E-03 = $9,0 \cdot 10^{-3} = 0,009$

*INA Indicator Not Assessed

Biogenic Carbon Content

Indicator	Unit	At the factory gate
Biogenic carbon content in product	kg C	0,00E+00
Biogenic carbon content in accompanying packaging	kg C	7,75E-01

Note: 1 kg biogenic carbon is equivalent to 44/12 kg CO₂

Additional requirements

Greenhouse gas emissions from the use of electricity in the manufacturing phase

National production mix from import, low voltage (production of transmission lines, in addition to direct emissions and losses in grid) of applied electricity for the manufacturing process (A3).

Electricity mix	Source	Amount	Unit
Electricity, Norway (kWh)	ecoinvent 3.6	24,33	g CO ₂ -eq/kWh

Dangerous substances

The product contains no substances given by the REACH Candidate list.

Indoor environment

Additional Environmental Information

Additional environmental impact indicators required in NPCR Part A for construction products									
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
GWPIOBC	kg CO ₂ -eq	2,14E+01	1,27E+00	2,72E-02	0	3,18E-01	4,62E-01	3,94E-03	-1,03E+01

GWPI-IOBC: Global warming potential calculated according to the principle of instantaneous oxidation. In order to increase the transparency of biogenic carbon contribution to climate impact, the indicator GWP-IOBC is required as it declares climate impacts calculated according to the principle of instantaneous oxidation. GWP-IOBC is also referred to as GWP-GHG in context to Swedish public procurement legislation.

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