

Wire and Cable Insulation and Jacketing: Life-Cycle Assessments For Selected Applications

Acronyms and Abbreviations

Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics
Design for the Environment Program
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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ACC American Chemistry Council
AP acidification potentials

APME Association of Plastics Manufacturers in Europe (now PlasticsEurope)

ATH Aluminum trihydrate
ATO antimony trioxide
AWG American Wire Gauge

BIR Bureau of International Recycling

BOD biological oxygen demand

BOM bills of materials

BUWAL Swiss Agency for the Environment, Forests and Landscape

C&D construction and demolition CAAA Clean Air Act Amendments

CEREMAP Center for Research into Plastic Materials

CFC chlorofluorocarbon

CHAMP Chain Management of Materials and Products

CHEMS-1 Chemical Hazard Evaluation Management Strategies

CMP plenum-rated communication wire CMR riser-rated communication wire

DEHP di-2-ethylhexylphthalate
DfE Design for the Environment

DHHS Department of Health and Human Services

DIDP diisodecyl phthalate
DINP diisononyl phthalate
DOP dioctylphthalate

DQI data quality indicators

EOL end-of-life

EP eutrophication potential
EVA ethylene vinyl acetate
FCM Farrell Continuous Mixer
FEP fluorinated ethylene propylene
FRPE flame retardant polyethylene
GWP global warming potential
HAZMAT hazardous materials
HCFC hydrochlorofluorocarbon

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HEAST Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables

HFP hexafluoropropylene

HSDB Hazardous Substances Data Bank

HV hazard value

IARC International Agency for Research on Cancer ICEA Insulated Cable Engineers Association

TIA/EIA Telecommunications Industry Association/Electronics Industry Alliance

IRIS Integrated Risk Information System

ISO International Organization for Standardization

LC limited combustible
LCA life-cycle assessment
LCI life-cycle inventory
LCIA life-cycle impact analysis
LNG liquefied natural gas

LOAEL lowest-observed-adverse-effect level

LSF low smoke and flame

ME&P material extraction and processing

MITI Ministry of International Trade and Industry

MJ megajoule

MSW municipal solid waste NEC National Electrical Code

NEMA National Electrical Manufacturers Association

NFPA National Fire Protection Association

NM-B non-metallic sheathed low-voltage power cable

NOAEL no-observed-adverse-effect level NOEC no-observed-effect concentration

NOEL no-observed-effect level NRR non-renewable resource

OD ozone depletion

ODP ozone depletion potential

OEM original equipment manufacturer

OPPT Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics

PAN phthalic anhydride PCB printed circuit board

PE polyethylene

PET polyethylene terephthalate PFOA perfluorooctanoic acid PFP Perfluoropolymer PM particulate matter

POCP Photochemical oxidant creation potential

POP persistent organic pollutants POTW publicly-owned treatment works

Prop65 California Proposition 65
PTFE polytetrafluoroethylene
PVC polyvinyl chloride
PVDF polyvinylidene fluoride

QSAR quantitative structure-activity relationship
RAIS Risk Assessment Information System
RCRA Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
RoHS Restriction of Hazardous Substances

RTECS Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances

SAR structure-activity relationship

SETAC Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry

SF slope factor

TFE tetrafluoroethylene

TRI Toxics Release Inventory
TSP total suspended particulates
TSS total suspended solids

TURI Toxics Use Reduction Institute UL Underwriters Laboratories Inc.

UTP unshielded twisted pair
VOC volatile organic compounds
WCP Wire and Cable Project
WOE weight of evidence
WTE Waste-to-energy