

ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION

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Glazed Vitreous, EN 14411-B1b from Villeroy & Boch Tiles

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About Villeroy & Boch Tiles

As one of the leading suppliers of high-quality wall and floor tiles, V&B Fliesen GmbH is a reliable partner for architects and interior designers. The Merzig-based company is active in over 65 countries. It is part of the international Eczacıbaşı Group. With sophisticated colour and format concepts in Nonvitreous, Glazed Vitreous and Porcelain Stoneware, Villeroy & Boch Tiles opens up a wide range of creative possibilities for use in private, commercial and public spaces. Villeroy & Boch brand tiles are also always a commitment to high-quality furnishings, first-class design - and a passion for designing interior architecture. Awarded the EPD label, they can be used in all properties that are classified according to BREEAM, LEED, DGNB or comparable international declarations for sustainable construction.



Product Information

Product Description

Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b are ceramic tiles that can be used on the floor and on the wall. Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b are fired between 1050 - 1100 °C and always glazed. The water absorption rate, which indicates the durability of the product, is between 0.5% and 3% for Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b. It is harder and more durable than wall tiles, so it has a higher load-bearing capacity. The breaking strength is over 1100 N for tiles over 7.5 mm thick. The glaze on its surface is more durable than Group BIII ceramic tiles.

UN CPC code for Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b is 3731. The assessment is based on the most produced tile type within the product range for 1 m² of Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b.

Product Application

Only Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b and porcelain tiles can be used on the floor and on the wall. Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b are not suitable for outdoor use in places where the temperature difference between day and night is high. They can be preferred for indoor floor and wall use.



Technical Specifications

Technical characteristics	Test standard		
Dimension and surface quality			
Length and width	EN ISO 10545-2	± 0,6%	± 2mm
Thickness	EN ISO 10545-2	± 5%	± 0,5mm
Straightness of sides	EN ISO 10545-2	± 0,5%	± 1,5mm
Rectangularity	EN ISO 10545-2	± 0,5%	± 2mm
Surface Flatness	EN ISO 10545-2	± 0,5%	± 2mm
Surface quality	EN ISO 10545-2	Min. 95%	
Physical properties			
Water absorption	EN ISO 10545-3	0,5% < E < 3,0%	
Modulus of rupture	EN ISO 10545-4	Min. 30 N/mm ²	
Breaking strength	EN ISO 10545-4	Min. 1100 N (t ≥ 7,5mm) Min. 700 N (t < 7,5mm)	
Surface abrasion	EN ISO 10545-7	As specified in the catalogue	
Deep abrasion	EN ISO 10545-6	N.A.	
Linear thermal expansion	EN ISO 10545-8	Max 9 x 10 ⁻⁶ K ⁻¹	
Thermal shock resistance	EN ISO 10545-9	Pass / Başarılı Erreicht / Conforme	
Frost resistance	EN ISO 10545-12	Pass / Başarılı Erreicht / Conforme	
Coefficient of friction	Declared test method Beyan edilen metod Angabe prüfverfahren	As specified in the catalogue	
Crazing resistance	EN ISO 10545-11	Pass / Başarılı Erreicht / Conforme	
Reaction to fire	Class A1 or A1FL	
Small colour differences for plain coloured tiles	EN ISO 10545-16	ΔE < 0,75	
Chemical resistance			
Staining resistance	EN ISO 10545-14	Min. Class / Sınıf 3 Klasse / Classe 3	
Resistance to household chemicals and swimming pool water cleaners	EN ISO 10545-13	Class / Sınıf Klasse / Classe Min. B	
Resistance to low concentrations acids&alkalis	EN ISO 10545-13	Class / Sınıf Klasse / Classe LA-LC	
Resistance to high concentrations acids&alkalis	EN ISO 10545-13	Class / Sınıf Klasse / Classe HA-HC	

System Boundaries & Description

PRODUCT STAGE

A1. Raw Material Supply includes raw material extraction and pre-treatment processes before production. In this report, production for each product starts with raw material acquisition.

A2. Transport is relevant for delivery of raw materials to the plant and involves forklift usage within the factory.

A3. Manufacturing stages include production of granules by spray drying, forming, drying, glazing, firing and packaging. Transport is only relevant for delivery of raw materials to the plant and forklift usage within the factory. Packaging waste scenario is created separately depending on the geographic location of the installation process. Renewable energy is used as energy source in the manufacturing.

CONSTRUCTION PROCESS STAGE

A4. Transport includes transportation of Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b to the construction site. Villeroy & Boch transport tiles by seaway, airway and road haulage to the distribution centres for export.

A5. Installation of the Product stage includes the adhesive mortar and water usage in the construction site. For 1 m² Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b installation; 3.6 kg mortar and 1.5 L water usage was assumed.

USE STAGE

B1. Use stage concerns emissions into environment. Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b are inert materials, so during the use stage, they do not cause any emissions. Hence, use phase is not relevant for the assessment.

B2. Maintenance includes cleaning of tiles. Villeroy & Boch advises to use 0.2 mL detergent which contains stain remover or neutral low-sulphate and rinse with 0.1 L tap water after cleaning. The results are given for a one-time cleaning activity, as the activity will vary by user.

B3. Repair: Villeroy & Boch Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b require no repairing during the use phase and therefore no impacts has occurred in this module.

B4. Replacement: Villeroy & Boch Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b require no replacement during the use phase and therefore no impacts has occurred in this module.

B5. Refurbishment: Villeroy & Boch Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b require no refurbishment during the use phase and therefore no impacts has occurred in this module.



B6. Operational Energy Use: Operational energy use is not relevant for this product.

B7. Operational Water Use: Operational water use is not relevant for this product.

END OF LIFE STAGE

C1. De-construction. Demolition at the end of RSL is usually conducted with a selective deconstruction/demolition. The environmental impacts generated during this phase are very low and therefore can be neglected.

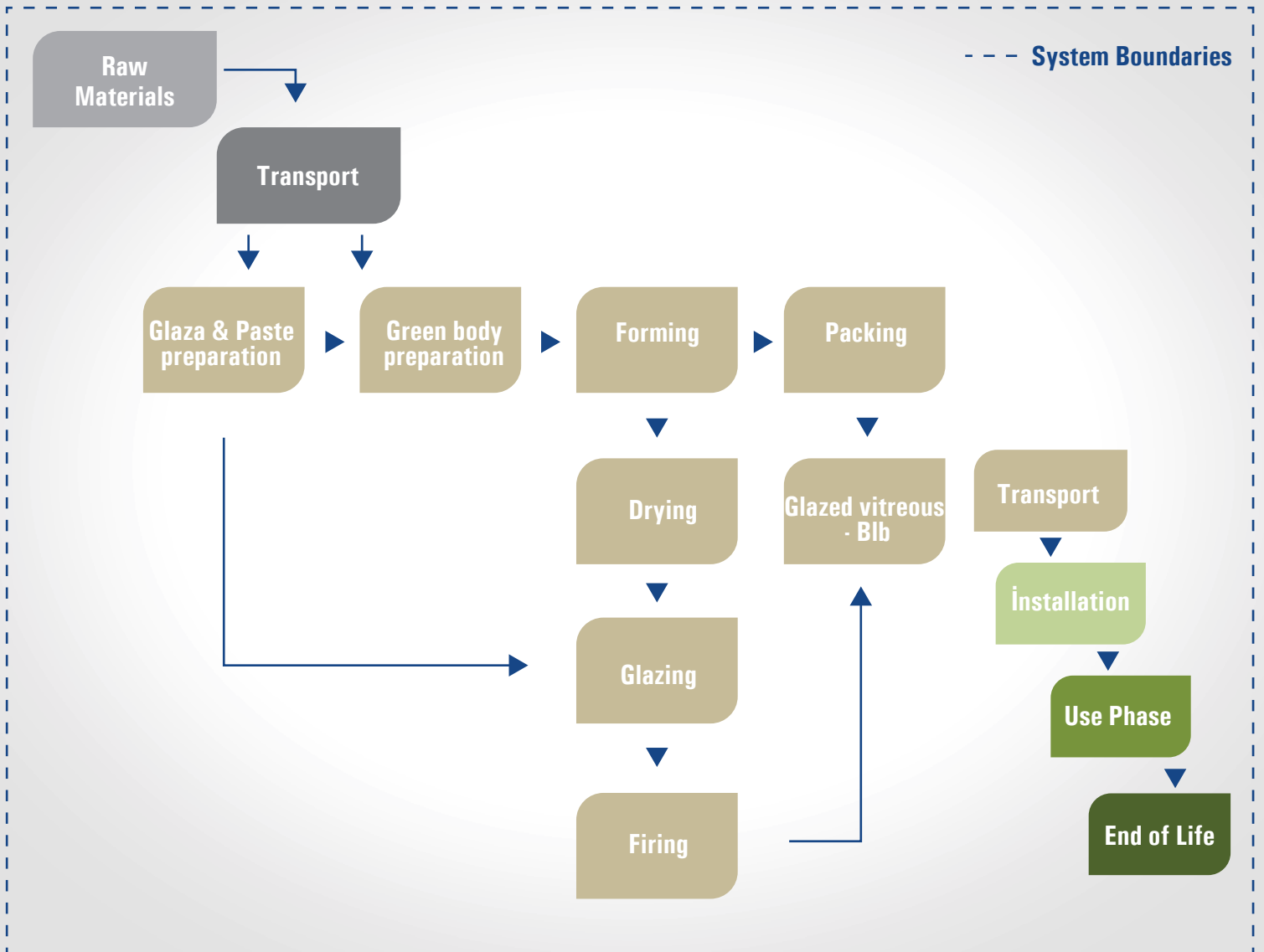
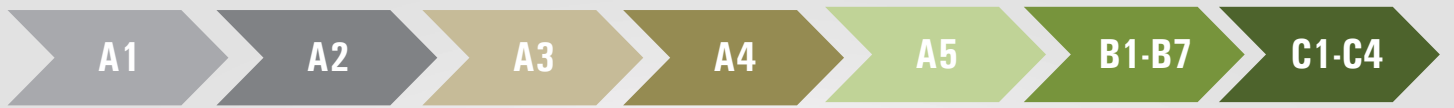
C2. Transport (Waste) includes the transportation of the discarded tiles, packaging material and adhesive mortar to final disposal. Average distance from demolition site to inert landfill site for final disposal is assumed to be 50 km.

C3. Waste Processing concerns processing of discarded Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b for recycle or reuse. The environmental impacts generated during this phase are very low and therefore can be neglected.

C4. Disposal is the final stage of product life. Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b end up at construction and demolition waste landfills as their final fate and modelled as such in this LCA.

BENEFITS AND LOADS

D. Benefits & Loads from the tiles are calculated in this stage.



Benefits & Loads

LCA Information

Functional Unit	The functional unit is the production of 1 m ² the most produced Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b with a mass of 13.17 kg.
Goal and Scope	Evaluation of environmental impacts for 1 m ² Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b from the range of products that are produced the most from cradle to grave.
System Boundary	The system boundary covers A1 - A3 product stages referred as 'Raw material supply', 'Transport' and 'Manufacturing', A4 - A5 'Construction', B1 - B7 'Use' and C1 - C4 'End of life' stages.
Cut-off Rules	For this LCA study, 1 % cut-off was applied.
Background Data	Ecoinvent database (Ver.3.9) (www.ecoinvent.org) is used for the background data.
Data Quality	Raw materials, energy and water consumption, waste and material and product transport data is collected from Villeroy & Boch.
Period Under Review	All primary data collected from Villeroy & Boch refers to the period year of 2022.
Allocations	No allocation was performed for this LCA study.

	Product stage			Construction process stage		Use stage							End of life stage				Benefits and Loads	
	Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Construction installation	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse-Recovery-Recycling-potential	
Module	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
Modules declared	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Geography	GLO	GLO	TR	GLO													GLO	
Specific data used	>90%																-	
Variation – products	0%																-	
Variation – sites	0%																-	

Description of the system boundary (X = Included in LCA. MND= Module Not Declared. NR= Not Relevant)

The system boundaries in tabular form for all modules are shown in the table above. The results of the LCA with the indicators as per EPD requirement are given in the following tables for product stage (A1 - A3), construction process (A4 - A5). use stage (B1 - B7), and end of life (C1 - C4).

REACH Regulation

No substances included in the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for authorization under the REACH regulations are present in this product either above the threshold for registration with the European Chemicals Agency or above 0.1% (wt/wt).

LCA Modelling, Calculation and Data Quality

Life Cycle Inventory Analysis indicators describing the use of resources are determined respectively to the following impact categories. calculated using CML-IA Baseline (Ver. 3.5) method: Global Warming Potential (GWP) for time span of 100 years, Ozone Layer Depletion Potential (ODP) with time span of infinity, Formation Potential of Tropospheric Ozone Photochemical Oxidants (POCP) with time span of 5 days, Acidification Potential (AP) with time span of eternity. Eutrophication Potential (EP) with time span of eternity, Photochemical Oxidation (POCP) and Abiotic Depletion Potential for Fossil (ADPF) and Non-fossil (ADPE) resources. All energy calculations were done using Cumulative Energy Demand (LHV) methodology. The freshwater use value for manufacturing life cycle was taken from the manufacturer as the net freshwater consumption occurs during the manufacturing stage only.

Content Declaration

Products are packed in cardboard boxes, stretch hoods, plastic stripes and glue.

Packaging Material	Weight, %/m ²
Cardboard	83.8
Plastic	13.0
Glue	3.2

Information on biogenic carbon content according to EN 15804 + A2

Biogenic Carbon Content	Unit	Quantity
Biogenic carbon content in product	kg C	0.001
Biogenic carbon content in packaging	kg C	0.029

Base and Ancillary Materials

Main raw materials for Glazed Vitreous, EN14411-B1b:

- Clay: 40 - 50%
- Feldspar: 25 - 35%
- Calcite: 5 - 10%
- Recycled Content: 0 - 30%
- Other: < 1%

Auxiliary substances / additives:

- Dispersant
- Pigment
- Binder
- Rheological additives

LCA Results

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Parameter	Unit	A1-3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3-7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
Global Warming Potential	Total	kg CO ₂ eq.	7.19	1.71	5.04	0	0.494	0	0	0.156	0	0.234	-0.541
	Biogenic	kg CO ₂ eq.	-0.027	0.001	0.043	0	-0.536	0	0	143E-6	0	1.48E-3	-657E-6
	Fossil	kg CO ₂ eq.	7.22	1.71	4.99	0	0.379	0	0	0.156	0	0.232	-0.540
	Land Use & Transformation	kg CO ₂ eq.	3.13E-3	889E-6	0.005	0	0.651	0	0	77.0E-6	0	169E-6	-1.05E-3
Acidification	mol H+ eq	0.012	0.025	0.032	0	0.004	0	0	341E-6	0	0.002	-0.005	
Particulate matter	disease inc.	138E-9	94.0E-9	325E-9	0	71.7E-9	0	0	11.6E-9	0	35.6E-9	-54.0E-9	
Eutrophication. marine	kg N eq	0.004	0.005	0.005	0	0.005	0	0	86.0E-6	0	618E-6	-0.001	
Eutrophication. freshwater	kg P eq	377E-6	185E-6	0.002	0	0.007	0	0	11.1E-6	0	60.8E-6	-59.0E-6	
Eutrophication. terrestrial	mol N eq	0.039	0.059	0.056	0	0.016	0	0	874E-6	0	0.007	-0.016	
Human toxicity. cancer	CTUh	1.82E-9	659E-12	3.10E-9	0	842E-12	0	0	71.1E-12	0	130E-12	-402E-12	
Human toxicity. cancer - inorganics	CTUh	912E-12	365E-12	1.82E-9	0	273E-12	0	0	34.7E-12	0	63.8E-12	-148E-12	
Human toxicity. cancer - organics	CTUh	908E-12	294E-12	1.28E-9	0	569E-12	0	0	36.5E-12	0	65.9E-12	-254E-12	
Human toxicity. non-cancer	CTUh	28.4E-9	12.4E-9	74.5E-9	0	19.1E-9	0	0	1.57E-9	0	1.45E-9	-5.30E-9	
Human toxicity. non-cancer - inorganics	CTUh	26.1E-9	11.9E-9	69.9E-9	0	16.9E-9	0	0	1.49E-9	0	1.34E-9	-4.72E-9	
Human toxicity. non-cancer - organics	CTUh	2.29E-9	583E-12	4.60E-9	0	2.17E-9	0	0	84.3E-12	0	116E-12	-573E-12	
Ionising radiation	kBq U-235 eq	0.085	0.087	0.251	0	0.021	0	0	0.003	0	0.007	-0.011	
Land use	Pt	21.8	9.02	26.2	0	37.9	0	0	1.34	0	11.5	-14.2	
Ozone depletion	kg CFC11 eq	175E-9	182E-9	197E-9	0	20.5E-9	0	0	3.40E-9	0	5.49E-9	-8.7E-9	
Photochemical ozone formation	kg NMVOC eq	0.019	0.017	0.021	0	0.003	0	0	529E-6	0	2.24E-3	-0.005	
Resource use. fossils	MJ	101	24.4	74.0	0	3.96	0	0	2.22	0	5.03	-7.4	
Resource use. minerals and metals	kg Sb eq	16.9E-6	2.89E-6	57.4E-6	0	3.78E-6	0	0	510E-9	0	471E-9	-2.09E-6	
Water use	m ³ depriv.	0.877	0.131	2.55	0	0.719	0	0	0.009	0	0.213	-0.619	

Legend A1: Raw Material Supply, A2: Transport, A3: Manufacturing, A1-A3: Sum of A1, A2, and A3. A4: Transport to Site, A5: Installation, B1: Use, B2: Maintenance, B3: Repair, B4: Replacement, B5: Refurbishment, B6:Operational Energy Use, B7: Operational Water Use, C1: De-Construction, C2: Waste Transport, C3: Waste Processing, C4: Disposal, D: Benefits and Loads Beyond the System Boundary.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Parameter	Unit	A1-3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3-7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP-GHG	kg CO ₂ eq.	7.24	1.71	5.04	0	1.07	0	0	0.156	0	0.234	-0.542
Legend	GWP-GHG = Global Warming Potential total excl. biogenic carbon following IPCC AR5 methodology which excludes biogenic carbon dioxide uptake and emissions and biogenic carbon stored in the product. This indicator is thus equal to the GWP indicator.											

RESOURCE USE

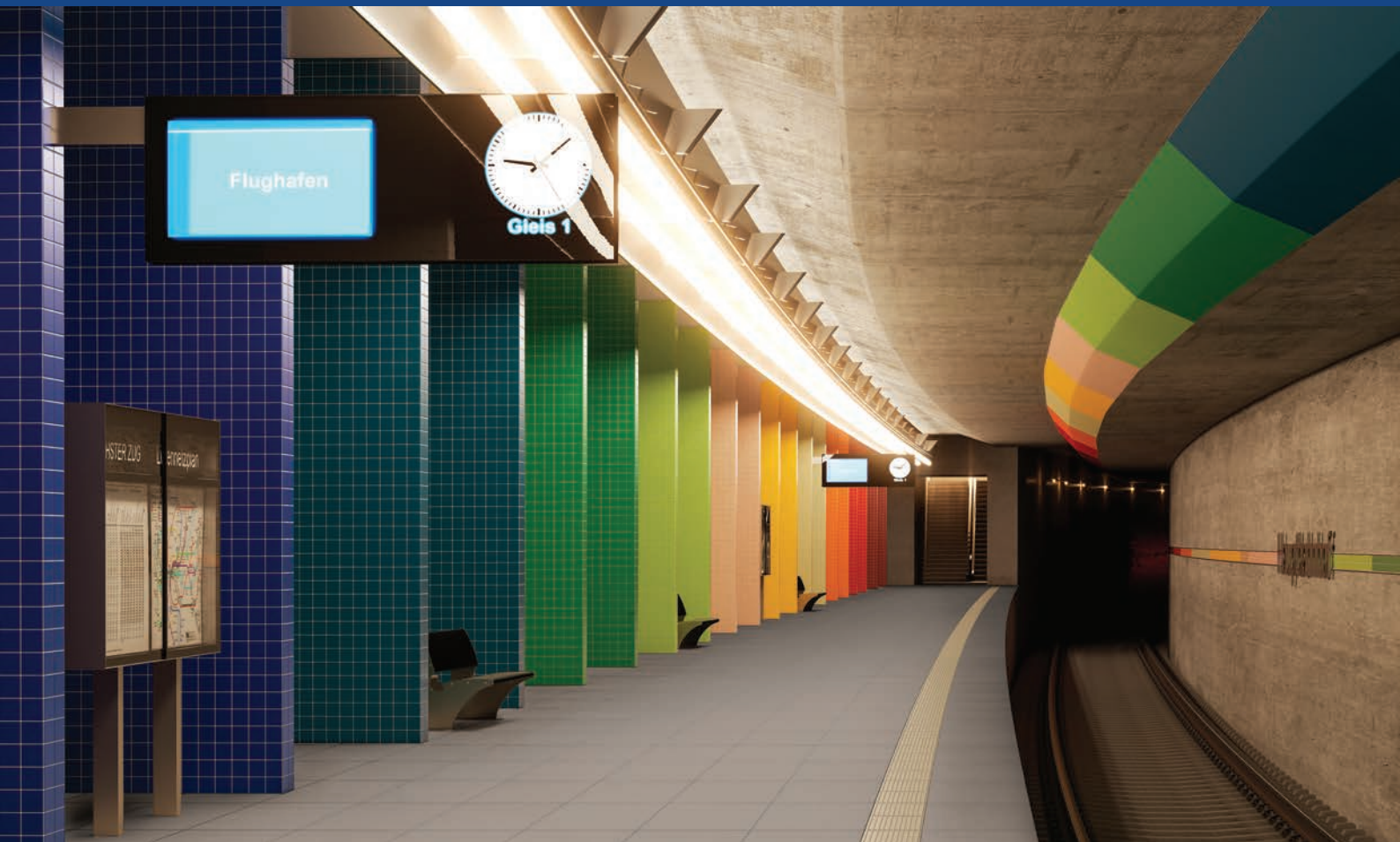
Parameter	Unit	A1-3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3-7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
PENRE	MJ	101	24.4	74.0	0	4.66	0	0	2.22	0	5.03	-11.2
PENRM	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PENRT	MJ	101	24.4	74.0	0	4.66	0	0	2.22	0	5.03	-11.2
PERE	MJ	1.90	0.434	4.84	0	18.6	0	0	0.035	0	0.086	-0.232
PERM	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERT	MJ	1.90	0.434	4.84	0	18.6	0	0	0.035	0	0.086	-0.232
SM	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RSF	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRSF	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FW	m ³	0.054	0.006	0.076	0	0.125	0	0	522E-6	0	0.007	-0.047
Legend	PERE: Use of renewable primary energy excluding resources used as raw materials, PERM: Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials, PERT: Total use of renewable primary energy, PENRE: Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding 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, SM: Secondary material, RSF: Renewable secondary fuels, NRSF: Non-renewable secondary fuels, FW: Net use of fresh water											

RESOURCE USE

Parameter	Unit	A1-3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3-7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
HWD	MJ	0.008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NHWD	MJ	1.30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14.9	0
RWD	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CRU	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MFR	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MER	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EE (Electrical)	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EE (Thermal)	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Legend	HWD: Hazardous waste disposed, NHWD: Non-hazardous waste disposed, RWD: Radioactive waste disposed, CRU: Components for reuse, MFR: Material for recycling, MER: Materials for energy recovery, EE (Electrical): Exported energy electrical, EE (Thermal): Exported energy thermal.											

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