**Environmental Product Declaration** 

In accordance with ISO 14025 and EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 for

Water Absorption 10%≤E

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The EPD has been revised basen on the latest technical specification.

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# **About the Company**

# Mission

Apply state-of-the-art technology and innovative designs to create superior, dependable and exquisite surface solutions that are reflected "from nature to art."

Add value to our brand, commercial and social stakeholders, and country with high added value products and services.

# Vision

As an industry pioneer with roots in Turkey, ascend to the status a world-renowned, coveted and popular brand.

The founder of Yurtbay Group of Companies, Mr. Zeki Yurtbay, acquired his first experiences in trading at the dry goods shop owned by his father.

As the first steps in his long-term experience in brick production started, he took over the brick production initiative merely at the age of 14 and successfully continued to manage the task he inherited in 1951 from his father. Although he lost the brick factory several times which was founded in 1955 and in Zonguldak, he did not give up.

In 1970, he set up new and modern facilities. The investments by Mr. Zeki Yurtbay were not limited to Çaycuma, and he first became the partner and then the owner of Delta Brick Factory.

The following process started with the recognition of Yurtbay Family in the global economy with its well-established industrial history, and its initial step into the ceramics industry. In 1995, Yurtbay Seramik Eskişehir Plant was established with 700 thousand square meters outdoors and 100 thousand square meters indoors production capacity.

With the "Quality First" strategy and understanding, the production increased at a steady pace over the years has reached 25 million square meters production/year. As a result, export operations to 56 countries are ongoing. Yurtbay has started to work with the biggest global and foreign sales chains and have reached higher growth rates across the sector. The key to this international success has been "No compromise on quality, the right product and production at global standards".

With its reliability, Yurtbay Seramik is the pioneer and founder of many years of cooperation at home.

Making domestic sales via 5 regional directorates located in Istanbul, Ankara, Adana, Antalya and Izmir, Yurtbay Seramik continued its operations to increase the number of its stores and further expand its network.

Reflecting its dynamic structure through its projects, Yurtbay Seramik continues to bring added value to the industry and carry its brand image one step further by coming up with aesthetic and eco-friendly solutions.



# **About the Product**

# **Product Description**

Yurtbay Ceramic Wall Tile is mainly produced from clay, kaolin, calcite and other raw materials as is shown in the product composition table. The wall tiles are served to the customer as packed which are recyclable cardboards and plastics.

UN CPC code for Yurtbay Ceramic Wall Tiles is 37310.

# **Product Area of Application**

Ceramic wall tiles are used in many areas of life. It can be used in all type of buildings. They generally used for interior decoration, with its production in various colors and patterns and in different sizes.

Raw Material	Composition, %
Kaolin	20-30
Clay	40-50
Calcite	10-20
Feldspar	5-10
Quartz	5-10
Others	0-5

Packaging Material	Weight, %/m²
Cardboard	32.1
Wood	33.7
Plastic	18.4
Glue	0.2
Label	15.7

# **Technical Specifications**

Technical Specifications	EN 14411:2016 - Group BIII Annex L	YURTBAY CERAMIC	Test Standards
Length and Width	7cm≤N<15cm ±0.75mm N≥15cm ±%0.5 ±2.0mm	±0.65mm ±%0.4	EN ISO 10545-2
Thickness	7cm≤N<15cm ±0.5mm N≥15cm ±%10 ±0.5mm	±0.40mm ±%0.9	EN ISO 10545-2
Straightness of Sides	7cm≤N<15cm ±0.5mm N≥15cm ±%0.3 ±1.5mm	±0.40mm ±%0.2	EN ISO 10545-2
Rectangularity	7cm≤N<15cm ±0.75mm N≥15cm ±%0.5 ±2.0mm	±0.65mm ±%0.4	EN ISO 10545-2
Centre Curvature	7cm≤N<15cm +0.75mm -0.50mm N≥15cm +%0.5 -%0.3/+2.0mm -1.5mm	+0.65mm -0.40mm +%0.4 -%0.2	EN ISO 10545-2
Edge Curvature	7cm≤N<15cm +0.75mm -0.50mm N≥15cm +%0.5 -%0.3/+2.0mm -1.5mm	+0.65mm -0.40mm +%0.4 -%0.2	EN ISO 10545-2
Warpage (%)	7cm≤N<15cm ±0.75mm N≥15cm ±%0.5 ±2.0mm	±0.65mm ±%0.4	EN ISO 10545-2
Water Absorption (%)	E > % 10	10 < E < 20	EN ISO 10545-3
Breaking Strength ( N )	Thickness ≥ 7.5 mm Min. 600 N Thickness < 7.5 mm Min. 200 N	Thickness ≥ 7.5 mm Min. 700 N Thickness < 7.5 mm Min. 300 N	EN ISO 10545-4
Modulus of Rupture (N/mm²)	Thickness ≥ 7.5 mm Min. 12 N/mm² Thickness < 7.5 mm Min. 15 N/mm²	Thickness ≥ 7.5 mm Min. 17 N/mm <sup>2</sup> Thickness < 7.5 mm Min. 15 N/mm <sup>2</sup>	EN ISO 10545-4
Crazing Resistance	Required ( 5 Atm. for 2 hours )	Resistant ( 5 Atm. for 2 hours )	EN ISO 10545-11
Thermal Shock Resistance	Required ( At 150 °C for 10 Cycles )	Resistant to 200 °C	EN ISO 10545-9
Resistance to Staining	Minimum Class 3	Minimum Class 3	EN ISO 10545-14
Resistance to Household Chemicals and swimming pool salts	Minimum Class GB	Minimum Class GB	EN ISO 10545-13
Resistance to Acids and Alcalis	As indicated by the Manufacturer	Changes According to the products	EN ISO 10545-13

# LCA Information

# **Goal and Scope**

Evaluation of environmental impacts for 1 m<sup>2</sup> average tiles 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', C1 – C4 'End of life' and benefits and load (D) stages.

## **Database and LCA Software**

Ecoinvent database (Ver.3.8) (www.ecoinvent.org) and SimPro 9.3 is used for the calculation.

# **Data Quality**

Raw materials. energy and water consumption, waste, material and product transport data is primary data collected from Yurtbay.

### **Period Under Review**

All primary data collected from Yurtbay is for the period year of 2021.

## **Declared Unit**

1 m<sup>2</sup> average tile with an average weight of 14.54 kg.

# **Geographical Scope**

The geographical scope of this EPD is global.



# **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).

### **Cut-Off Criteria**

1% cut-off applied. Data for elementary flows to and from the product system contributing to a minimum of 99% of the declared environmental impacts have been included.

## **Allocations**

No allocation was performed for this EPD. There are no coproducts in the production of tiles. Hence, there is no need for co-product allocation. Transport is allocated according to tonnages for raw materials bought by Yurtbay. Similarly, water consumption and energy consumption are also allocated according to the production figures.





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Biogeniz Carbon Content Unit Quantit								
Biogenic carbon content in product	kg C	0.012						
Biogenic carbon content in packaging	kg C	0.085						

This EPD's system boundary is cradle to grave. The results of the LCA with the indicators as per EPD requirement are given in the following tables for product manufacture (A1, A2, A3), construction process stage (A4, A5), use stage (B2,B3,B4,B5), end of life stage (C1, C2, C3, C4) and benefits and load stage (D).

The system boundaries in tabular form for all modules are shown in the table below.

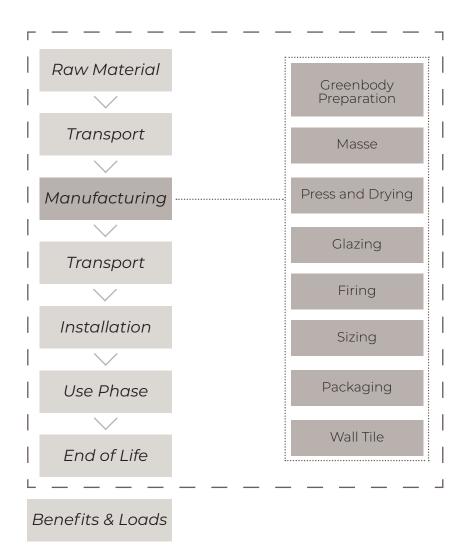
		Produc Stage		Constrcution Process Stage  Use Stage					End of Life Stage				Benefits and Loads				
	Raw Material Supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Construction Installation	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational Energy Use	Operational Water Use	Deconstruction & Demolition	Transport	Waste Processing	Disposal	Future reuse. recycling or energy recovery potentials
Module	Al	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	В3	B4	B5	В6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Modules Declared	×	X	X	X	X	X	X	×	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Geography	TR	TR	TR	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO	GLO
Specific Data Used	>90%			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-		
Variation - products	NR				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Variation - Sites			NR			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Description of the system boundary (X = Included in LCA, NR: Not Relevant)

Note: The LCA was modelled for specific product at plant so there is no variation.

Note: All primary data is taken from Yurtbay Seramik Eskişehir and Ecoinvent was used for secondary data.

# **System Boundary**



**Al: Raw Material Supply** includes raw material extraction and pre-treatment processes before the production. Production starts with the raw materials.

# Product Stage

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

**A3: Manufacturing** stages include production of tiles and detailed production scheme is given in Manufacturing Scheme. Transport is only relevant for delivery of raw materials to the plant and forklift usage within the factory.

# Construction Stage

**A4: Downstream Transport** is relevant for delivery of wall tiles to the construction site.

**A5: Installation Stage** includes the adhesive mortar and water usage in the construction site. Yurbay advices 5 kg mortar and 1.2 L water usage for 1 m<sup>2</sup> wall tile installation.

**B1: Use Stage** concerns emissions into environment. Tiles do not cause any emissions in the use stage because of their inert feature.

**B2: Maintenance** includes cleaning of tiles. Yurtbay advices to use 0.2 mL detergent which contains stain remover or neutral low-sulphate and rinse with 0.1 L tap water after cleaning.

**B3: Repair** is not required during the use phase and therefore no impacts should be declared.

**B4: Replacement** is not required during the use phase and therefore no impacts ocurred in this module.

**B5: Refurbishment** is not required during the use phase and therefore no impacts has occurred in this module.

**B6: Operational Energy Use** is not required in the use stage therefore no impacts has occurred in this module.

**B7: Operational Water Use** is not required in the use stage therefore no impacts has occurred in this module.

**C1: Deconstruction and 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** includes the transportation of the discarded tiles 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 crushing of discarded wall tiles before recycle or reuse. The environmental impacts generated during the C3 phase are very low and therefore can be neglected.

**C4: Disposal** is the final stage of product life. Wall tiles end up at construction and demolition waste landfills as their final fate and modelled as such in this LCA.

B&L Stage **D**: Benefits and Loads stage includes calculation of inert filler benefits and recycling of packaging materials specified in the disposal stage.

# End of Life Stage

LCA RESULTS												
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3-B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP- Fossil	kg CO₂ eq	13.2	1.18	6.60	0	482E-6	0	0	0.208	0	0.248	-0.549
GWP- Biogenic	kg CO2 eq	-0.267	0.003	0.126	0	256E-6	0	0	502E-6	0	2.51E-3	-1.86E-3
GWP- Luluc	kg CO2 eq	0.012	0.001	0.007	0	627E-6	0	0	102E-6	0	252E-6	-1.85E-3
GWP- Total	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	13.0	1.18	6.73	0	0.001	0	0	0.209	0	0.251	-0.553
ODP	kg CFC11 eq	1.97E-6	260E-9	641E-9	0	79.5E-12	0	0	44.2E-9	0	75.6E-9	-106E-9
AP	mol H⁺ eq	0.031	0.011	0.044	0	5.36E-6	0	0	846E-6	0	2.10E-3	-5.11E-3
*EP - Freshwater	kg P eq	0.002	101E-6	0.002	0	3.73E-6	0	0	17.6E-6	0	72.1E-6	-61.8E-6
EP - Freshwater	kg PO <sub>4</sub> eq	0.005	310E-6	0.007	0	11.4E-6	О	0	54.0E-6	0	221E-6	-189E-6
EP - Marine	kg N eq	0.007	0.002	0.007	0	5.24E-6	0	0	241E-6	0	722E-6	-1.55E-3
EP - Terrestrial	mol N eq	0.072	0.025	0.074	0	18.1E-6	0	0	0.003	0	7.86E-3	-17.0E-3
POCP	kg NMVOC eq	0.019	0.006	0.022	0	2.75E-6	0	0	653E-6	0	1.94E-3	-4.18E-3
ADPE	kg Sb eq	84.2E-6	3.00E-6	118E-6	0	8.93E-9	0	0	918E-9	0	812E-9	-3.22E-6
ADPF	МЈ	220	17.5	95.2	0	0.005	О	0	3.01	0	5.84	-7.82
WDP	m³ depriv.	2.53	0.069	4.06	0	0.007	0	0	0.011	0	0.254	-0.675
PM	disease inc.	267E-9	63.0E-9	380.86E-9	0	74.7E-12	0	0	12.6E-9	0	40.7E-9	-51.8E-9
IR	kBq U-235 eq	0.529	0.096	0.398	0	44.0E-6	0	0	0.014	0	27.5E-3	-39.9E-3
ETP-FW	CTUe	136	13.2	222	0	0.064	0	0	2.77	0	4.16	-7.43
HTTP-C	CTUh	3.54E-9	428E-12	8.73E-9	0	1.40E-12	0	0	90.5E-12	0	179E-12	-424E-12
HTTP-NC	CTUh	103E-9	12.4E-9	212E-9	0	27.4E-12	0	0	2.54E-9	0	2.77E-9	-7.64E-9
SQP	Pt	68.0	9.92	55.1	0	0.040	О	0	1.83	0	14.5	-17.5
Acronyms	GWP-total: Climate ch terrestrial and freshwa ADPF: Abiotic depletic cancer human health	ater. EP-freshwate on - fossil resource	er: Eutrophication es. WDP: Water sc	freshwater. EP-mai arcity. PM: Respirate	rine: Eutrophicati	on marine. EP-ter	restrial: Eutrophi	cation terrestrial. P	OCP: Photochemic	cal oxidation. ADPI	E: Abiotic depletio	n - elements.
Legend	Al: Raw Material Suppl Energy Use. B7: Opera										Refurbishment. Be	5:Operational
Disclaimer 1	This impact category on nor due to radioactive											oational exposure
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RESOURCE USE												
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3-B7	C1	C2	С3	C4	D
PERE	МЈ	13.8	0.294	6.07	0	0.019	0	0	0.040	0	0.100	-0.171
PERM	МЈ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERT	МЈ	13.8	0.294	6.07	0	0.019	0	0	0.040	0	0.100	-0.171
PENRE	МЈ	220	17.5	95.2	0	0.006	0	0	3.01	0	5.84	-7.83
PENRM	МЈ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PENRT	МЈ	220	17.5	95.2	0	0.006	0	0	3.01	0	5.84	-7.83
SM	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RSF	МЈ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRSF	МЈ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FW	m³	0.091	0.003	0.092	0	300E-6	0	0	0.001	0	0.007	-0.051
WASTE OUTPU	Secondary material					e of non-renewable p els, FW: Net use of fr		sources used as	raw materials, PENF	rr. Total use of fr	on-renewable prim	ary energy, siv
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3-B7	C1	C2	С3	C4	D
HWD	kg	0.002	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NHWD	kg	0.191	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RWD	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CRU	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MFR	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MER	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EE (Electrical)	МЈ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EE (Thermal)	МЈ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Acronyms	of non-renewable p	rimary energy exc	luding resources	used as raw mate	erials, PENRM: Use	1: Use of renewable p e of non-renewable p els, FW: Net use of fr	rimary energy res					
CLIMATE IMPAC	т											
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	В1	B2	B3-B7	C1	C2	С3	C4	D
GWP- GHG	kg CO₂ eq	13.1	1.17	6.45	0	0.001	0	0	0.206	0	0.245	-0.545
Acronyms	GWP-GHG = Global indicator is thus eq			nic carbon follow	ring IPCC AR5 me	thodology which exc	ludes biogenic ca	arbon dioxide up	otake and emissions	and biogenic ca	arbon stored in the	oroduct. This

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