# VIEW SMART GLASS

VIEW INC.
ELECTROCHROMIC GLASS PRODUCTS





View Smart Windows use artificial intelligence to transform buildings into responsive environments that automatically adjust to control heat and glare without the need for blinds.

View is the leader in smart building technology that transforms buildings to improve human health and experience, reduce energy consumption and carbon emissions, and generate additional revenue for building owners. View Smart Windows use artificial intelligence to automatically adjust in response to the sun, eliminating the need for blinds and increasing access to natural light. Every View installation includes a cloud-connected smart building platform that can easily be extended to improve indoor cellular coverage, enhance building security and reimagine the occupant experience. View is installed and designed into 75 million square feet of buildings including offices, hospitals, airports, educational facilities, hotels and multifamily residences.







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GENERAL PROGRAM INSTRUCTIONS AND VERSION NUMBER	UL ProviGeneral Program Insti	ructions v.2.5 Ma	arch 2020ded			
MANUFACTURER NAME AND ADDRESS	View Inc. 12380 Kirk Rd, 0	Olive Branch, MS 38654				
DECLARATION NUMBER	4790034756.101.1					
DECLARED PRODUCT & FUNCTIONAL UNIT OR DECLARED UNIT	1 m <sup>2</sup>					
REFERENCE PCR AND VERSION NUMBER	Product Category Rule (PCR) Guidance for Building-Related Products and Services Part B: Processed Glass EPD Requirements. UL, First Edition, Augu 17, 2016					
DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT APPLICATION/USE	Coated Electrochromic Building Glass Product					
PRODUCT RSL DESCRIPTION (IF APPL.)						
MARKETS OF APPLICABILITY	Commercial, H	ealthcare				
DATE OF ISSUE						
PERIOD OF VALIDITY	5 Years					
EPD TYPE	Product-Specific					
RANGE OF DATASET VARIABILITY	n/a					
EPD SCOPE	Cradle to gate					
YEAR(S) OF REPORTED PRIMARY DATA	Calendar Year 2020					
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#### I IMITATIONS

Exclusions: EPDs do not indicate that any environmental or social performance benchmarks are met, and there may be impacts that they do not encompass. LCAs do not typically address the site-specific environmental impacts of raw material extraction, nor are they meant to assess human health toxicity. EPDs can complement but cannot replace tools and certifications that are designed to address these impacts and/or set performance thresholds – e.g. Type 1 certifications, health assessments and declarations, environmental impact assessments, etc.

Accuracy of Results: EPDs regularly rely on estimations of impacts; the level of accuracy in estimation of effect differs for any particular product line and reported impact

Comparability: EPDs from different programs may not be comparable. Full conformance with a PCR allows EPD comparability only when all stages of a life cycle have been considered. However, variations and deviations are possible". Example of variations: Different LCA software and background LCI datasets may lead to differences results for upstream or downstream of the life cycle stages declared.



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## **Product Definition and Information**

## **Product Description**

#### **Product Identification**

The declared product is one square meter of a View Smart Glass insulating glass unit (IGU).

The unit consists of two panes of glass with a 6mm clear outer lite in its standard configuration with the electrochromic coating on surface 2. The electrochromic coating tints when a voltage is applied to the glass. The inner lite is typically 6 mm clear glass but can be selected from a range of colored options, laminates, and low emissivity coatings. The Insulated Glass Unit (IGU) is filled with argon gas for insulation.

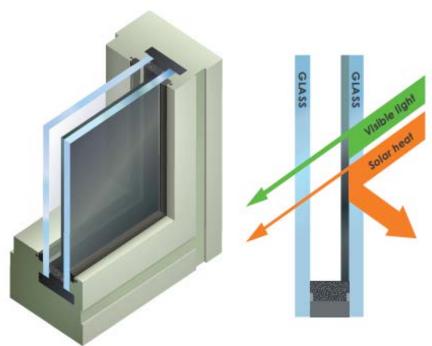


Figure 1 – Smart Glass Cross-section

#### **Application**

Smart Glass is used across multiple verticals of the real estate industry, including commercial offices, airports, hospitals and healthcare facilities, multi-family residential, and educational buildings.

**Declaration of Methodological Framework** 

ISO 14040: 2006 - Environmental management – Life cycle assessment









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ISO 14044: 2006 - Environmental management — Life cycle assessment — Requirements and guidelines

ISO 14025: 2006 - Environmental labels and declarations — Type III environmental declarations — Principles and procedures

ISO 21930: 2006 - Sustainability in buildings and civil engineering works — Core rules for environmental product declarations of construction products and services

## **Technical Requirements**

The following are the performance parameters of View Smart Glass.

Table 1 - VIEW SMART GLASS STANDARD DUAL PANE CONFIGURATION

	TRANSMITTANCE (%)			REFLECTANCE (%)			THERMAL PR	OPERTIES		
EC Tint Level	Visible	UV	Solar	Visible Out	Visible In	Solar Out	U-Value (Btu/h*ft²F   W/m²K)	Solar Heat Gain Coefficient	Sound Transmission Class Rating (db)	
Tint 1	52	2	31	12	18	12		0.40		
Tint 2	31	1	16	8	16	10	0.29   1.65	0.25	32	
Tint 3	6	0	3	6	16	9	0.29   1.65	0.12	32	
Tint 4	1	0	0	6	16	9		0.09		

#### **Properties of Declared Product as Delivered**

The EPD for View Smart Glass was conducted based on a declared unit of 1 m<sup>2</sup>. View Smart Glass is manufactured to customers spec and as such is typically produced in non-standard dimensions. As such the ratio of materials in this declaration is based on the average sized IGU of 20 square feet (1.86 m<sup>2</sup>).

## **Material Composition**

The material composition of the represented IGU is as follows:

**Table 2 - Product Composition** 

MATERIAL	% COMPOSITION
Float Glass	92.9%
Silicon	5.44%
Spacer	0.99%
Curing Agent	0.26%









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MATERIAL	% COMPOSITION
Pigtail Assembly	0.25%
Other Materials(<0.1% each)	0.16%

## Manufacturing

View Smart Glass is manufactured in the production facility located in Olive Branch, Mississippi. The process starts with float glass, which is cut to size, washed, polished, and tempered, before being coated with a proprietary blend of metals to achieve its electrochromic properties. The coated glass is then mated with a variety of options – uncoated glass, coated glass and, a spacer, and dual sealants to form an insulating glass unit (IGU), which is wired to provide electrical current to the glass surface. Fabricated IGUs then undergo thorough cycle testing and quality assurance before being packaged for distribution.

Figure 2 - Manufacturing Process Diagram



## **Packaging**

View utilizes two types of packaging – Metal A-frames and wood frames. For larger scale projects, View Smart Glass is often shipped on steel A-frames, which are designed to secure and carry completed IGUs. For this packaging configuration, the A-frames are returned to the Olive Branch, MS facility for reuse. More commonly, View Smart Glass is packaged and shipped in wooden crates, sized to accommodate the specified product.

#### **Transportation**

The end product transportation utilizes ground transportation methods, primarily by truck. The raw material transportation takes place mostly by truck and air freight and materials are shipped an average distance of 900km to the production facility.

## **Product Installation**

The IGU is to be installed as per specifications in the GANA Glazing Manual, IGMA Glazing Guidelines, and manufacturer's Glazing Guidelines. Each IGU contains a 15 inch (38.1 cm) cable that is to be connected to the View controls system.

#### Use

View Smart Glass uses artificial intelligence to adjust the tint in real time in anticipation of and response to environmental factors. The key factors affecting glass tint include the depth of sun shining into the space, the amount of heat passing through the windows, and the cloud cover and reflections from nearby buildings. View Smart Glass may also be manually controlled through a mobile application, allowing the user to control the tint level remotely and create schedules.





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# Reference Service Life and Estimated Building Service Life

As this PCR does not cover the product use stage (modules B1-B7), consideration or reporting of the product reference service life is not applicable.

Reuse, Recycling, and Energy Recovery

Dynamic Glass is not typically reused or recycled at the end of life.

## **Disposal**

Dynamic Glass is not suitable for energy from waste, and as such, landfill is the typical disposal option.

# **Life Cycle Assessment Background Information**

#### **Functional or Declared Unit**

The declared unit for processed glass is one square meter.

Table 3 - Declared Unit

NAME	VALUE	Unit
Declared Unit	1	m <sup>2</sup>
Mass per piece	32.4	kg
Conversion factor to 1 kg	0.031	-
Thickness	24	mm

#### **System Boundary**

This EPD is classified as "cradle-to-gate." The study system boundary includes the transportation of major inputs to (and within) each activity stage including the shipment of final products to the use site, based on logistics data provided and /or assumptions made detailed in the Life Cycle Inventory. Any site-generated energy and purchased electricity is included in the system boundary. The extraction, processing and delivery of purchased primary fuels, e.g., natural gas and primary fuels used to generate purchased electricity, are also included within the boundaries of the system.

**Table 4 - System Boundary** 

Product Stage							
A1	A2	A3					
Raw Materials Supply	Transport	Manufacturing					
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## **Estimates and Assumptions**

Clean, flat glass scrap generated from the process is assumed to be recycled; other process scrap is assumed to be landfilled.

#### **Cut-off Criteria**

Processes whose total contribution to the final result, with respect to their mass and in relation to all considered impact categories, is less than 1% can be neglected. The sum of the neglected processes may not exceed 5% by mass of the considered impact categories. For that a documented assumption is admissible.

For Hazardous Substances the following requirements apply:

- The Life Cycle Inventory (LCI) of hazardous substances will be included, if the inventory is available.
- If the LCI for a hazardous substance is not available, the substance will appear as an input in the LCI of the product, if its mass represents more than 0.1% of the product composition.
- If the LCI of a hazardous substance is approximated by modeling another substance, documentation will be provided.

This EPD is in compliance with the cut-off criteria. No processes were neglected or excluded. Capital items for the production processes (machine, buildings, etc.) were not taken into consideration.

## **Data Sources**

SimaPro v9.1.1 software was utilized for modeling this study. All process data including inputs (raw materials, energy and water) and outputs (emissions, waste water, solid waste, and final products) are evaluated and modeled to represent each process that contributes to the life cycle of the products.

Additionally all secondary sources are taken from literature, previous LCI studies, and life cycle databases. The US LCI database (www.nrel.gov/lci) is frequently used in this analysis. When North American data were not available for a product or process, the European ecoinvent LCI database was utilized.

## **Data Quality**

Data used for this study are as current as possible. Data sets used for calculations are within the last 10 years for generic data and within the last calendar year for manufacturer-specific primary data. All data sets is representative of the US.

#### **Period under Review**

Primary data for this study was collected for the reference period from December 2019 – November 2020. Primary data includes formulations, manufacturing energy and water consumption, as well as waste generation. Water treatment chemicals and other ancillary materials are included in the scope of this study.









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#### **Allocation**

Allocation was conducted per total production by area at the Olive Branch, MS facility.

Comparability Full conformance with the PCR for North American Processed Glass allows EPD comparability only when all stages of the processed glass life cycle have been considered. Comparison of the environmental performance of processed glass using EPD information shall be based on the product's use and impacts at the building level, and therefore EPDs may not be used for comparability purposes when not considering the building energy use phase as instructed under this PCR. Variations and deviations in the results upstream or downstream of the life cycle stages declared are possible due to the use of different Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) software and background Life Cycle Inventory (LCI) datasets.

# **Life Cycle Assessment Results**

# **Life Cycle Impact Assessment Results**

**Table 5 - North American Impact Assessment Results** 

TRACI v2.1		Unit	FLOAT GLASS	A1	A2	А3	TOTAL A1-A3
Global Warming Potential	GWP-100	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	1.0E+02	1.2E+02	8.8E+00	2.3E+02	3.6E+02
Ozone Depleting Potential	ODP	kg CFC <sup>-11</sup> eq	1.1E-05	1.6E-05	7.5E-08	4.0E-05	5.6E-05
Acidification Potential	AP	kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq	9.1E-01	1.0E+00	5.2E-02	6.5E-01	1.7E+00
Eutrophication Potential	EP	kg N eq	1.5E-01	2.9E-01	3.0E-03	9.1E-01	1.2E+00
Smog Potential	SP	kg O <sub>3</sub> eq	1.1E+01	1.2E+01	1.4E+00	6.5E+00	2.0E+01
Fossil Fuel Depletion	FFD	MJ	1.5E+02	1.2E+03	1.1E+02	2.6E+03	3.9E+03

**Table 6 - EU Impact Assessment Results** 

CML v4.2		Unit	FLOAT GLASS	A1	A2	А3	TOTAL A1-A3
Global Warming Potential	GWP 100	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	1.0E+02	1.2E+02	8.9E+00	2.3E+02	3.6E+02
Ozone Depleting Potential	ODP	kg CFC <sup>-11</sup> eq	8.1E-06	1.4E-05	5.6E-08	3.4E-05	4.8E-05
Acidification Potential	AP	kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq	9.1E-01	1.0E+00	4.3E-02	6.4E-01	1.7E+00
Eutrophication Potential	EP	kg PO <sub>4</sub> -3 eq	1.1E-01	1.8E-01	7.7E-03	4.1E-01	6.1E-01
Photochemical Ozone Creation Potential	POCP	kg ethene eq	3.1E-02	3.5E-02	2.0E-03	3.6E-02	7.3 E-02
Abiotic Depletion Potential -element	ADP <sub>element</sub>	kg Sb-eq	1.2E-02	2.5E-02	2.0E-07	1.6E-03	2.7E-02
Abiotic Depletion Potential -fossil	ADP <sub>fossil</sub>	MJ, LHV	1.1E+03	1.2E+03	1.1E+02	2.6E+03	3.9E+03





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# **Life Cycle Inventory Results**

Table 7 - Resource Use

PARAMETER		UNIT	FLOAT GLASS	A1	A2	А3					
Renewable Primary Resources as Energy	RPR <sub>E</sub>	MJ	4.9E+01	6.5E+01	1.0E-02	2.9E+02					
Renewable Primary Resources as a Feedstock Material	RPR <sub>M</sub>	MJ	-	3.7E+01	-	-					
Total Renewable Primary Resources	$RPR_T$	MJ	4.9E+01	1.2E+02	1.0E-02	3.2E+02					
Non-Renewable Primary Resources as Energy	NRPRE	MJ	1.2E+03	1.4E+03	1.2E+02	5.9E+03					
Non-Renewable Primary Resources as a Feedstock Material	NRPR <sub>M</sub>	MJ	-	1.5E+00	-						
Total Non-Renewable Primary Resources	NRPR⊤	MJ	1.2E+03	1.4E+03	1.2E+02	5.9E+03					
Secondary Material Use	SM	kg	-	-	-	-					
Renewable secondary fuels	RSF	MJ	-	-	-	-					
Non-Renewable secondary fuels	NRSF	MJ	-	-	-	-					
Renewable Energy	RE	MJ	-	-	-	-					
Freshwater Use	FW	m <sup>3</sup>	5.6E-01	8.5E-01	1.0E-04	2.1E+00					

**Table 8 - Output Flows and Waste Categories** 

PARAMETER	Unit	FLOAT GLASS	A1	A2	А3	
Hazardous Waste Disposed	HWD	kg	-	-	-	9.90E-01
Non-Hazardous Waste Disposed	NHWD	kg	-	-	-	1.40E+01
High-Level Radioactive Waste	HLRW	kg/m³	UNK	UNK.	UNK.	UNK.
Intermediate And Low-Level Radioactive Waste	ILLRW	kg/m³	UNK	UNK.	UNK.	UNK.
Components For Reuse	CRU	kg	-	-	-	-
Recycling	R	kg	-	-	-	-
Materials For Energy	MER	kg	-	-	-	-
Exported Energy	EE	MJ	-	-	-	-

**Table 9 - Carbon Emissions and Removals** 

PARAMETER			FLOAT GLASS	A1	A2	А3
Biogenic Carbon Removal from Product	BCRP	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-
Biogenic Carbon Emissions from Product	BCEP	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-
Biogenic Carbon Removal from Packaging	BCRK	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	-	1.1E+00	-	-
Biogenic Carbon Emissions from Packaging	BCEK	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-
Biogenic Carbon Emissions from Combustion of Waste	BCEW	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-
Calcination Carbon Emissions	CCE	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	4.7E-02	4.7E-02	-	-
Carbonation Carbon Removal	CCR	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-
Carbon Emissions from Combustion of Waste from Non-Renewable Sources	CWNR	kg CO <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-





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# **LCA Interpretation**

The cradle-to-gate life cycle of View Smart Glass is driven by both the raw material extraction and processing stage (A1) and the manufacturing stage (A3), while impacts from raw material sourcing (A2) are minor. Within the raw material extraction and processing stage (A1), the upstream production of flat glass drives the impact. Within the manufacturing stage (A3), electricity consumption is the most impactful input.

### **Additional Environmental Information**

## **Environment and Health During Manufacturing**

View is committed to minimize the environmental impact of our Dynamic Glass production and distribution. Employees are aware of View's environmental roles and responsibilities through training and support from the management team. View has established procedures to monitor waste streams for compliance in existing recycling programs. Additionally, the company includes human rights, labor practices, and work environment in the published code of conduct. The health and safety of employees and contractors is a primary focus point, and View continually strives for zero injuries by providing extensive training and personal protective gear that meets or exceeds industry standards.

#### **Environment and Health During Installation**

There is no harmful emissive potential. No damage to health or impairment is expected under normal use of the product.

#### **Extraordinary Effects**

#### Fire

No harmful emissions are anticipated when the product is exposed to fire conditions.

## Water

No substances are used which have a nagative impact on water quality on contact by the door with water.

## **Mechanical Destruction**

No danger to the environment can be anticipated during mechanical destruction.

#### **Environmental Activities and Certifications**

Certified under the AAMA/WDMA/CSA/101/IS2/A440 North American Fenestration Standard/Specification (NAFS) for windows, doors, and skylights. Declare Lable approved by The International Living Future Institute, ID: View-0001. Health Product Declaration (HPD) published with the HPD Colabrative (HPDC) Online Builder, classification 08810. ISO 14001 certified.

#### **Further Information**

For more information, please visit <a href="www.view.com">www.view.com</a> or contact View at <a href="mailto:info@view.com">info@view.com</a> or 1-408-514-6512.





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