The development of this industry average environmental product declaration (EPD) for fabricated hot-rolled structural steel sections (unpainted) manufactured in Canada was commissioned by the Canadian Institute of Steel Construction (CISC). This EPD was developed in compliance with CAN/CSA-ISO 14025 and has been verified by Tom Gloria, Industrial Ecology Consultants.

This EPD includes life cycle assessment (LCA) results for raw material supply, transport and manufacturing stages (cradle-to-gate). The LCA was performed by Groupe AGÉCO.

CISC fabricators authorized to use this industry-average EPD are listed here: http://www.cisc-icca.ca/sustainability/EPD.

For more information about CISC, please go to www.cisc-icca.ca.

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This environmental product declaration (EPD) is in accordance with CAN/CSA-ISO 14025 and the PCR noted below. EPDs within the same product category but from different programs may not be comparable.

| **Program operator** | CSA Group  
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
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| **Product**          | Fabricated hot-rolled structural steel sections (unpainted) |
| **EPD registration number** | #1934-6818 |
| **EPD recipient organization** | Canadian Institute of Steel Construction (CISC)  
|                      | 3760 14th Avenue, Suite 200, Markham, ON, Canada L3R 3T7  
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| **Reference PCR**    | North American Product Category Rule for Designated Steel Construction Products (version 1.0)  
|                      | SCS Global Services  
|                      | Valid until 2020-05-05  
|                      | CPC code: 412 |
| **Date of issue (approval)** | October 19, 2016 |
| **Period of validity** | October 19, 2016 – October 19, 2021 |

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**This EPD and related data were independently verified by an external verifier, Thomas Gloria, Industrial Ecology Consultants, according to CAN/CSA-ISO 14025:2006 and ISO 21930:2007.**
This is a summary of the industry average environmental product declaration (EPD) describing the environmental performance of fabricated hot-rolled structural steel sections (unpainted) manufactured in Canada. This EPD is only applicable to structural steel sourced from Canadian and US steel mills. CISC fabricators authorized to use this EPD are listed on the CISC website: www.cisc-icca.ca/sustainability/EPD.

**Product description**

**Declared units**
1 metric ton and 1 short ton of unpainted fabricated hot-rolled structural steel section with a density of 7,800 kg/m³ or 487 lb/ft³.

**Material content (% of total product mass)**
Steel: 100%

**Scope and system boundary**
Cradle-to-gate: raw material supply (A1), transport (A2) and manufacturing (A3) stages.

**Period of validity**
October 19, 2016 to October 19, 2021

**Program operator and registration number**
CSA Group #1934-6818

**Product Category Rule**
North American Product Category Rule for Designated Steel Construction Products v.1

**LCA and EPD consultants**
Groupe AGÉCO

**What is a Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)?**
LCA is a science-based and internationally recognized tool to evaluate the relative potential environmental and human health impacts of products and services throughout their life cycle, beginning with raw material extraction and including all aspects of transportation, production, use, and end-of-life treatment. The method is defined by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14040 and 14044 standards.

**Why an Environmental Product Declaration (EPD)?**
CISC fabricators are seeking to communicate their environmental performances to clients and to position their products through a rigorous and recognized approach, an EPD. By selecting products with an EPD, building projects can earn credits towards the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) rating system certification. In the latest version of the program (LEED v4), points are awarded in the Materials and Resources category.

This EPD summary provides an overview of the full ISO 14025 compliant EPD registered with CSA Group.