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- a) updating and enhancing content related to carbon footprint of a product to align with new or updated reference standards;

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## INTRODUCTION

There is a broad understanding that greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions must be reduced significantly from current levels in order to keep global warming within acceptable levels. Electrical and electronic (EE) products and systems play an important part in this by enabling a transition to more energy-efficient products and systems. However, even though EE products and systems can contribute to reducing GHG emissions, they lead to GHG emissions.

This document describes methods for quantifying and communicating the GHG emissions related to products. It covers three related topics: carbon footprint of a product (CFP), emission reductions, and avoided emissions.

Many governments and intergovernmental organizations are introducing, for example, carbon taxes or similar carbon pricing to incentivize reducing emissions. In this context, it is important that there is a horizontal standard to guide the calculating, in a consistent way, of the CFP of different kinds of products and systems.

Emission reductions is the difference in emissions between a baseline and a target situation, product, system, or product-related GHG project. The baseline can, for example, be a previous version of the product. In that case, the emission reductions allow the organization to quantify how they are contributing to reaching policy goals.

Avoided emissions, finally, are a special case of emission reductions. Frequently, a product or system produced by one organization can enable another to emit less GHG than it would otherwise have done. Additionally, it is possible that many EE businesses will increase their total emissions as a consequence of them expanding to meet future decarbonization needs (in contrast to, for example, a fossil fuel business that is scaling down and showing reduced emissions), and many new products will be manufactured, creating emissions that did not exist before. The concept of avoided emissions provides a way for an EE business to show that it is still contributing to a net improvement of society, even though the emission reductions occur outside of its organization and its own emissions are increasing.

Furthermore, the organization operating an EE business needs robust and reliable calculation methods to establish the amount of avoided emissions achieved by its products and systems. An important purpose of this document is to define methodologies to assess avoided emissions from the use of new technologies in a reproducible, repeatable, unambiguous, and transparent manner.

Nevertheless, avoided emissions are reported separately from GHG emissions and are not subtracted from the total GHG emissions. Moreover, avoided emissions do not offset the direct and indirect GHG emissions of an organization.

Through the information disclosure based on this document, an EE business can claim that its products and systems can reduce or avoid emissions and contribute to solving climate issues directly or indirectly linked with United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 13 (UN SDG 13): Climate Action.

## 1 Scope

This document describes principles and methodologies, specifies requirements and provides guidance for quantification and communication of carbon footprint a product (CFP), emission reductions and avoided emissions from electric and electronic (EE) products and systems. This document is also applicable to product-related GHG projects.

The GHG quantification such as CFP is based on life cycle assessment (LCA) methods.

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IEC 63366:2025, *Product category rules for life cycle assessment of electrical and electronic products and systems*

ISO 14067:2018, *Greenhouse gases - Carbon footprint of products - Requirements and guidelines for quantification*

## 3 Terms, definitions, and abbreviated terms

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### 3.1 Terms related to greenhouse gas

#### 3.1.1

#### CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent

#### CO<sub>2</sub>e

unit for comparing the radiative forcing of a GHG to that of carbon dioxide

Note 1 to entry: Mass of a GHG is converted into CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents by multiplying the mass of the GHG by the corresponding GWP or GTP of that gas.

Note 2 to entry: In the case of GTP, CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent is the unit for comparing the change in global mean surface temperature caused by a GHG to the temperature change caused by CO<sub>2</sub>.

[SOURCE: ISO 14067:2018, 3.1.2.2, modified – The term "carbon dioxide equivalent" has been deleted.]

**3.1.2****global warming potential  
GWP**

index, based on radiative properties of GHGs, measuring the radiative forcing following a pulse emission of a unit mass of a given GHG in the present-day atmosphere integrated over a chosen time horizon, relative to that of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

Note 1 to entry: "Index" as used in this document is a "characterization factor" as defined in ISO 14040:2006, 3.37.

Note 2 to entry: A "pulse emission" is an emission at one point in time.

Note 3 to entry: The GWP values of GHG follow those in the latest IPCC assessment report.

[SOURCE: ISO 14067:2018, 3.1.2.4, modified – Note 3 to entry has been added.]

**3.1.3****greenhouse gas  
GHG**

gaseous constituent of the atmosphere, both natural and anthropogenic, that absorbs and emits radiation at specific wavelengths within the spectrum of infrared radiation emitted by the earth's surface, the atmosphere, and clouds

Note 1 to entry: For a list of GHGs, see the latest IPCC Assessment Report.

Note 2 to entry: Water vapour and ozone, which are anthropogenic as well as natural GHGs, are not included in the CFP and partial CFP.

Note 3 to entry: The focus of this document is limited to long-lived GHGs, it therefore excludes climate effects due to changes in surface reflectivity (albedo) and short-lived radiative forcing agents (e.g. black carbon and aerosols).

[SOURCE: ISO 14067:2018, 3.1.2.1]

**3.1.4****greenhouse gas emission  
GHG emission**

release of a GHG into the atmosphere

[SOURCE: ISO 14067:2018, 3.1.2.5]

**3.1.5****GHG emission factor**

coefficient relating activity data with the GHG emission

Note 1 to entry: Activity data is quantitative measure of activity that results in a greenhouse gas emissions or greenhouse gas removal.

[SOURCE: ISO 14067:2018, 3.1.2.7, modified – The term "greenhouse gas emission factor" has been deleted.]

**3.1.6****GHG removal**

withdrawal of a GHG from the atmosphere

Note 1 to entry: Examples of ways in which GHG removals can be achieved include carbon sequestration in soils, direct air capture, carbon capture and storage.

[SOURCE: ISO 14067:2018, 3.1.2.6, modified – The term "greenhouse gas removal" has been deleted.]