Product Environmental Profile

ME Kilowatt hour meters









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Product overview

The main purpose of the ME series Power Meter is to meter the active power consumed by an electric circuit.

This range consists of the entire range of ME series Power Meter:

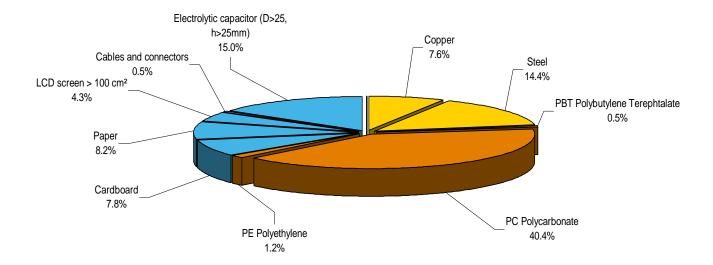
- ME1 category: single-phase kilowatt hour meters;
- ME3 category: three-phase kilowatt hour meters without neutral;
- ME4 category: three-phase kilowatt hour meter with neutral.

The representative product used for the analysis is ME4ZRT (Commercial reference: 17072). The environmental impacts of this referenced product are representative of the impacts of the other products of the range which are developed with a similar technology.

The environmental analysis was performed in conformity with ISO 14040.

Constituent materials

The mass of the product range is between 171g and 237g including packaging. It is 237g for the ME4ZRT. The constituent materials are distributed as follows:



Substance assessment

Products of this range are designed in conformity with the requirements of the RoHS directive (European Directive 2002/95/EC of 27 January 2003) and do not contain, or only contain in the authorised proportions, lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium or flame retardants (polybrominated biphenyls - PBB, polybrominated diphenyl ethers - PBDE) as mentioned in the Directive.

Manufacturing

The ME series Power Meter product range is manufactured at a Schneider Electric production site on which an ISO14001 certified environmental management system has been established.

Distribution

The weight and volume of the packaging have been optimized, based on the European Union's packaging directive.

The ME series Power Meter packaging weight is 37 g. It consists of Cardboard (18 g) and Paper (19 g).

The product distribution flows have been optimised by setting up local distribution centres close to the market area.

Use

The products of the ME series Power Meter range do not generate environmental pollution (noise, emissions) requiring special precautionary measures in standard use.



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The electrical power consumption depends on the conditions under which the product is implemented and used. The electrical power consumed by the ME series Power Meter range is between 2.5 W and 5.5 W. It is 2.5 W in active mode and 0% in standby mode for the referenced 63 A Power Meter 17072.

The product range does not require special maintenance operations.

End of life

At end of life, the products in the ME series Power Meter have been optimized to decrease the amount of waste and allow recovery of the product components and materials.

This product range contains PCBA and LCD screen attached in the PCBA that should be separated from the stream of waste so as to optimize end-of-life treatment by special treatments. The location of these components and other recommendations are given in the End of Life Instruction document which is available for this product range on the Schneider-Electric Green Premium website Green Premium website (http://www2.schneider-electric.com/sites/corporate/en/products-services/green-premium/green-premium.page).

The recyclability potential of the products has been evaluated using the "ECO DEEE recyclability and recoverability calculation method" (version V1, 20 Sep. 2008 presented to the French Agency for Environment and Energy Management: ADEME).

According to this method, the potential recyclability ratio is: 27 %.

As described in the recyclability calculation method this ratio includes only metals and plastics which have proven industrial recycling processes.

Environmental impacts

Life cycle assessment has been performed on the following life cycle phases: Materials and Manufacturing (M), Distribution (D), Installation (I) Use (U), and End of life (E).

Modeling hypothesis and method:

- the calculation was performed on the 17072
- product packaging: is included
- installation components: no special components included.
- scenario for the Use phase: this product range is included in the category 2 Energy consuming product: (assumed service life is 10 years and use scenario is: Product dissipation is 2.5 W, loading rate is 100% and service uptime 100%.
- the geographical representative area for the assessment is Europe and electrical power model used for calculation is European model. End of life impacts are based on a worst case transport distance to the recycling plant (1000km)

Presentation of the product environmental impacts

Environmental indicators	Unit	17072 (Power Meter 63A)					
		S = M + D + I + U + E	М	D	1	U	E
Raw Material Depletion	Y-1	9.59E-14	9.31E-14	3.88E-19	0.00E+00	2.85E-15	4.83E-19
Energy Depletion	MJ	2.61E+03	1.07E+02	2.84E-01	0.00E+00	2.51E+03	3.54E-01
Water depletion	dm ³	4.30E+02	6.78E+01	2.70E-02	0.00E+00	3.62E+02	3.36E-02
Global Warming	g≈CO ₂	1.34E+05	7.73E+03	2.25E+01	0.00E+00	1.27E+05	2.80E+01
Ozone Depletion	g≈CFC-11	7.98E-03	1.07E-03	1.59E-05	0.00E+00	6.87E-03	1.98E-05
Air Toxicity	m ³	2.28E+07	1.80E+06	4.24E+03	0.00E+00	2.10E+07	5.28E+03
Photochemical Ozone Creation	g≈C ₂ H ₄	4.46E+01	1.69E+00	1.92E-02	0.00E+00	4.28E+01	2.40E-02
Air acidification	g≈H ⁺	1.85E+01	1.38E+00	2.87E-03	0.00E+00	1.71E+01	3.57E-03
Water Toxicity	dm ³	3.72E+04	1.10E+03	2.82E+00	0.00E+00	3.61E+04	3.50E+00
Water Eutrophication	g≈PO ₄	6.08E-01	3.10E-01	3.74E-04	0.00E+00	2.97E-01	4.66E-04
Hazardous waste production	kg	2.29E+00	1.87E-01	8.37E-06	0.00E+00	2.10E+00	1.04E-05

Life cycle assessment has been performed with the EIME software (Environmental Impact and Management Explorer), version 11, and with its database version 4.0

The use phase is the life cycle phase which has the greatest impact on the majority of environmental indicators.

According to this environmental analysis, proportionality rules may be used to evaluate the impacts of other products of this range: the environmental indicators (without RMD or WE) of other products in this family may be proportional, extrapolated by power dissipation of the product. For RMD and WE, impacts of the other products of the family may be proportional extrapolated by mass of the product.

System approach

As the products of the range are designed in accordance with the RoHS Directive (European Directive 2002/95/EC of 27 January 2003), they can be incorporated without any restriction in an assembly or an installation subject to this Directive.

Please note that the values given above are only valid within the context specified and cannot be used directly to draw up the environmental assessment of an installation.

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Glossary

Raw Material Depletion (RMD) This indicator quantifies the consumption of raw materials during the life cycle of

the product. It is expressed as the fraction of natural resources that disappear each

year, with respect to all the annual reserves of the material.

Energy Depletion (ED) This indicator gives the quantity of energy consumed, whether it be from fossil,

hydroelectric, nuclear or other sources.

This indicator takes into account the energy from the material produced during

combustion. It is expressed in MJ.

Water Depletion (WD) This indicator calculates the volume of water consumed, including drinking water

and water from industrial sources. It is expressed in dm3.

Global Warming (GW) The global warming of the planet is the result of the increase in

> the greenhouse effect due to the sunlight reflected by the earth's surface being absorbed by certain gases known as "greenhouse-effect" gases. The effect is

quantified in gram equivalent of CO2.

Ozone Depletion (OD) This indicator defines the contribution to the phenomenon of

> the disappearance of the stratospheric ozone layer due to the emission of certain specific gases. The effect is expressed in gram equivalent

of CFC-11.

Air Toxicity (AT) This indicator represents the air toxicity in a human environment. It takes into

account the usually accepted concentrations for several gases in the air and the quantity of gas released over the life cycle. The indication given corresponds to the

air volume needed to dilute these gases down to acceptable concentrations.

Photochemical Ozone Creation (POC) This indicator quantifies the contribution to the "smog" phenomenon

(the photochemical oxidation of certain gases which generates ozone) and is

expressed in gram equivalent of ethylene (C₂H₄).

Air Acidification (AA) The acid substances present in the atmosphere are carried by rain.

A high level of acidity in the rain can cause damage to forests.

The contribution of acidification is calculated using the acidification potentials of the

substances concerned and is expressed in mode equivalent of H+.

Water Toxicity (WT) This indicator represents the water toxicity. It takes into account the usually

accepted concentrations for several substances in water and the quantity of substances released over the life cycle. The indication given corresponds to the

water volume needed to dilute these substances down to acceptable

concentrations.

Hazardous Waste Production (HWP) This indicator calculates the quantity of specially treated waste created during all

> the life cycle phases (manufacturing, distribution and utilization). For example, special industrial waste in the manufacturing phase, waste associated with the

production of electrical power, etc.

It is expressed in kg.

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