Product Life Cycle Assessment for Mobile Product

Background

Samsung Galaxy series, cutting edge smart devices was analysed based on life cycle assessment(LCA) methodology according to international standard ISO 14040 series in order to determine potential environmental impact across the whole life cycle including pre-manufacturing, product manufacturing, distribution, product use and disposal phase. Product bill of material (BOM), parts and components logistics, energy consumption in product use and end-of-life scenario data were utilized to model the environmental impact using a dedicated LCA S/W and its database. Potential environment impact was quantified in total 12 environmental impact categories including Global warming, Abiotic depletion, Acidification, Eutrophication, Ozone layer depletion etc.

Calculation basis

Standard	ISO 14040:2006 and 14044:2006	
Database	Ecoinvent 2.2	
Method for impact assessment	Life cycle impact assessment classification and characterization factors according to CML 2001 as provided in the SimaPro 7.1.5 LCA tool	
LCA software	SimaPro 7.1.5	

System boundary of LCA

Pre- manufacturing	Parts and materials constituting the products and its transportation (from supplier to Samsung factory)	
Manufacturing	Product assembly by Samsung Electronics (Data collection period : April ~ May, 2015)	
Distribution	From China or Vietnam to United States	
Usage	2 years use	
Disposal	Waste treatment of parts and material	

• Product Features

	Model name	SM-G920V (Galaxy S6)
	Processor	Octa-Core 2.1GHz, 1.5GHz
	Dimension	143.4 x 70.5 x 6.8 mm
	Display	Super AMOLED 5.1"
	Memory	32GB
	Battery	2550mAh
	Camera	Main : 16M pixel / Front : 5M pixel
	Wt.(g)	Product : 138g / Packaging 261 g

• Material Use



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■ Materials ■ Manufacture ■ Distribution ■ Use ■ Disposal

• Product Features

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	Model name	SM-N920V (Galaxy Note5)
	Processor	Octa-Core 2.1GHz, 1.5GHz
	Dimension	153.2 x 76.2 x 7.62 mm
	Display	Super AMOLED 5.7"
	Memory	32GB, 4GB RAM
	Battery	3000mAh
	Camera	Main : 16M pixel / Front : 5M pixel
	Wt.(g)	Product : 192g / Packaging 259 g

• Material Use



Battery
LCD module
Metal
Paper
Plastic(PC)
Plastic(PS)
Printed Circit Board

Others

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Pre-manufacturing
Manufacturing
Distribution
Use
Disposal

• Product Features

SAMSUNG	Model name	SM-T377P (Galaxy TAB E)
12:45 Balaxy Tab E 80	Processor	Quad-Core 1.2GHz
	Dimension	212.1 x 126.0 x 8.9 mm
	Display	TFT 8.0"
	Memory	1.5GB RAM
	Battery	5000mAh
	Camera	Main : 5M pixel / Front : 2M pixel
	Wt.(g)	Product : 192g / Packaging 259g

• Material Use



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