

# Supplementary Materials: Application of Eco-Design and Life Cycle Assessment Standards for Environmental Impact Reduction of an Industrial Product

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**Table S1.** PET Recycling Summarized Inventory Data from Perugini *et al.* [1].

| INPUTS           |          | OUTPUTS               |          |
|------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|
| Diesel           | 0.197 kg | PET Recycled Granules | 1 kg     |
| Electricity      | 1.55 MJ  | Plastic waste         | 0.908 kg |
| Natural Gas      | 2.5 MJ   |                       |          |
| Sodium Hydroxide | 0.003 kg |                       |          |
| PET              | 2.36 kg  |                       |          |
| Water            | 2.96 kg  |                       |          |

**Table S2.** PET Recycling Summarized Inventory Data from Arena *et al.* [2].

| INPUTS                 |           | OUTPUTS               |          |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------|
| Diesel                 | 0.0622 kg | PET Recycled Granules | 1 kg     |
| Electricity            | 2.54 MJ   | Waste paper           | 0.08 kg  |
| Natural Gas            | 2.76 MJ   | Iron scraps           | 0.009 kg |
| Sodium Hydroxide (50%) | 0.01 kg   | PVC waste             | 0.1 kg   |
| PET                    | 1.76 kg   | Waste water           | 2.96 kg  |
| Water                  | 2.96 kg   |                       |          |

**Table S3.** Environmental indicators used, LCIA method used for its calculation, and units of the indicator [3]

| Environmental Indicator                                  | Calculation Method     | Unit   | Classification |
|--|------------------------|--|----------------|
| Global Warming Potential (GWP)                           | IPPC2007 [4]           | kg CO <sub>2</sub> Eq.                         | I              |
| Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP)                          | WMO1999 [5]            | kg CFC-11 Eq.                                  | I              |
| Human Toxicity Potential, Cancer Effects (HTCP)          | USEtox [6]             | Comparative Toxic Unit for Human Health (CTUh) | II/III         |
| Human Toxicity Potential, Non Cancer Effects (HTCNP)     | UseTox [6]             | CTUh   | II/III         |
| Ecotoxicity freshwater (FWETP)                           | USEtox [6]             | Comparative Toxic Unit for ecosystems (CTUe)   | II/III         |
| Particulate matters (PMP)                                | RiskPoll model [7,8]   | kg PM2,5 Eq.                                   | I              |
| Ionising radiation, human health effect model (IRP)      | ReCiPe2008 (v1.05) [9] | kg U235 Eq.                                    | Interim.*      |
| Photochemical ozone formation (POCP)                     | ReCiPe 2008 [10]       | kg NMVOC                                       | II             |
| Acidification Potential (AP), accumulated exceedance.    | [11,12]                | Mole of H <sup>+</sup> Eq.                     | II             |
| Terrestrial Eutrophication (TEP), accumulated exceedance | [11,12]                | Mole of N Eq.                                  | II             |
| Aquatic freshwater Eutrophication (FEP)                  | ReCiPe2008 [13]        | kg of N Eq.                                    | II             |

|                                     |                 |             |    |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|----|
| Aquatic marine Eutrophication (MEP) | ReCiPe2008 [13] | kg of N Eq. | II |
| Resource Depletion (RD)             | CML 2002 [14]   | kg Sb Eq.   | II |

\* The classification “interim” indicates that a method was considered to be the best among the analyzed methods for the impact category, but still not developed enough so to be able to recommend it.

**Table S4.** Life Cycle Impact Assessment data for the glass syrup packaging life cycle.

|                              | Cardboard box          | Aluminun cap           | Polypropilene dispenser | Glass container        | Transport              | End of Life            |
|------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| GWP [kg CO <sub>2</sub> Eq.] | 1.40×10 <sup>-2</sup>  | 4.73×10 <sup>-3</sup>  | 1.50×10 <sup>-2</sup>   | 1.14×10 <sup>-1</sup>  | 7.80×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 7.51×10 <sup>-3</sup>  |
| ODP [kg CFC-11 Eq.]          | 1.58×10 <sup>-13</sup> | 2.26×10 <sup>-12</sup> | 4.82×10 <sup>-10</sup>  | 1.34×10 <sup>-11</sup> | 5.34×10 <sup>-15</sup> | 8.90×10 <sup>-12</sup> |
| PMP [kg PM2,5 Eq.]           | 1.5410 <sup>-6</sup>   | 1.27×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 3.88×10 <sup>-6</sup>   | 4.14×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 2.10×10 <sup>-7</sup>  | 4.09×10 <sup>-7</sup>  |
| POCP [kg NMVOC Eq.]          | 4.50×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 9.76×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 3.63×10 <sup>-5</sup>   | 1.97×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 1.15×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 8.57×10 <sup>-6</sup>  |
| AP [Mol H+ Eq.]              | 4.53×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 2.26×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 7.21×10 <sup>-5</sup>   | 8.45×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 7.05×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 7.80×10 <sup>-6</sup>  |
| TEP [kg N Eq.]               | 1.87×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 3.45×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 1.30×10 <sup>-4</sup>   | 2.43×10 <sup>-3</sup>  | 3.75×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 2.31×10 <sup>-5</sup>  |
| MEP [kg N Eq.]               | 8.04×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 9.30×10 <sup>-8</sup>  | 1.20×10 <sup>-5</sup>   | 1.67×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 3.35×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 6.47×10 <sup>-7</sup>  |
| FEP [kg P Eq.]               | 6.04×10 <sup>-7</sup>  | 3.19×10 <sup>-9</sup>  | 3.30×10 <sup>-7</sup>   | 6.27×10 <sup>-8</sup>  | 5.27×10 <sup>-9</sup>  | 4.32×10 <sup>-7</sup>  |
| RD [kg Sb Eq.]               | 2.37×10 <sup>-8</sup>  | 5.40×10 <sup>-8</sup>  | 3.62×10 <sup>-9</sup>   | 3.44×10 <sup>-7</sup>  | 2.18×10 <sup>-10</sup> | 1.29×10 <sup>-8</sup>  |
| HTCP [CTUh]                  | 6.90×10 <sup>-12</sup> | 2.00×10 <sup>-12</sup> | 1.62×10 <sup>-13</sup>  | 2.57×10 <sup>-11</sup> | 2.04×10 <sup>-10</sup> | 5.87×10 <sup>-10</sup> |
| HTNCP [CTUh]                 | 2.29×10 <sup>-9</sup>  | 2.12×10 <sup>-10</sup> | 1.11×10 <sup>-11</sup>  | 3.07×10 <sup>-9</sup>  | 6.21×10 <sup>-13</sup> | 5.13×10 <sup>-12</sup> |
| FWETP [CTUe]                 | 3.22×10 <sup>-3</sup>  | 1.28×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 2.24×10 <sup>-5</sup>   | 1.80×10 <sup>-3</sup>  | 1.46×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 1.34×10 <sup>-4</sup>  |
| IRP [kg U235 Eq.]            | 6.64×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 5.05×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 0.00×10 <sup>-00</sup>  | 3.85×10 <sup>-3</sup>  | 1.73×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 4.62×10 <sup>-5</sup>  |

**Table S5.** Domestic inventory for EU + 27 and Overall robustness of the data and normalization method related with [15].

| Environmental Indicator                                  | Unit   | Normalized            | Overall Robustness |
|--|--|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Global Warming Potential (GWP)                           | kg CO <sub>2</sub> Eq.                         | 4.60×10 <sup>12</sup> | Very High          |
| Particulate matters/Respiratory Inorganics (PMP)         | kg PM2,5 Eq.                                   | 1.90×10 <sup>9</sup>  | Very High          |
| Acidification Potential (AP), accumulated exceedance.    | Mole of H+ Eq.                                 | 2.36×10 <sup>10</sup> | High               |
| Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP)                          | kg CFC-11 Eq.                                  | 1.08×10 <sup>7</sup>  | Medium             |
| Ionising radiation, human health effect model (IRP)      | kg U235 Eq.                                    | 5.64×10 <sup>11</sup> | Medium             |
| Photochemical ozone formation (POCP)                     | kg NMVOC                                       | 1.58×10 <sup>10</sup> | Medium             |
| Terrestrial Eutrophication (TEP), accumulated exceedance | Mole of N Eq.                                  | 8.76×10 <sup>10</sup> | Medium             |
| Resource Depletion (RD)                                  | kg Sb Eq.                                      | 5.03×10 <sup>7</sup>  | Medium             |
| Aquatic freshwater Eutrophication (FEP)                  | kg of N Eq.                                    | 7.41×10 <sup>8</sup>  | Medium to Low      |
| Aquatic marine Eutrophication (MEP)                      | kg of N Eq.                                    | 8.44×10 <sup>9</sup>  | Medium to Low      |
| Ecotoxicity freshwater (FWETP)                           | Comparative Toxic Unit for ecosystems (CTUe)   | 4.36×10 <sup>12</sup> | Low                |
| Human Toxicity Potential, Cancer Effects (HTCP)          | Comparative Toxic Unit for Human Health (CTUh) | 1.84×10 <sup>4</sup>  | Low                |
| Human Toxicity Potential, Non Cancer Effects (HTCNP)     | CTUh   | 2.66×10 <sup>5</sup>  | Low                |

**Table S6.** Normalized data for the glass container syrup packaging life cycle.

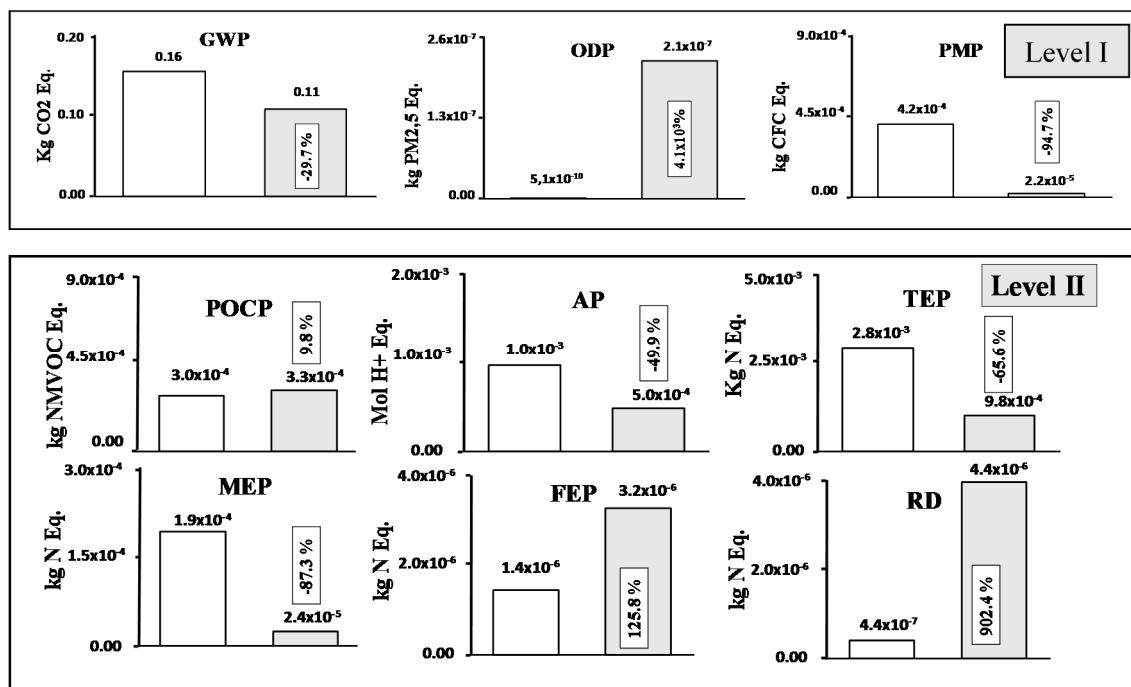
|                              | Cardboard<br>box | Aluminun<br>cap | Polypropilene<br>dispenser | Glass<br>container | Transport | End of<br>Life |
|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------|----------------|
| GWP [kg CO <sub>2</sub> Eq.] | 386.2            | 130.1           | 413.0                      | 3131.6             | 21.5      | 206.7          |
| PMP [kg PM2,5 Eq.]           | 79.8             | 65.9            | 201.8                      | 21512.2            | 10.9      | 21.3           |
| AP [Mol H+ Eq.]              | 240.5            | 119.8           | 382.7                      | 4484.2             | 37.4      | 41.4           |
| ODP [kg CFC-11 Eq.]          | 0.0              | 0.0             | 5.6                        | 0.2                | 0.0       | 0.1            |
| IRP [kg U235 Eq.]            | 14.7             | 112.1           | 0.0                        | 854.3              | 0.4       | 10.3           |
| POCP [kg NMVOC Eq.]          | 354.4            | 76.9            | 285.6                      | 1549.5             | 9.0       | 67.5           |
| TEP [kg N Eq.]               | 268.5            | 49.4            | 186.0                      | 3489.5             | 53.8      | 33.2           |
| RD [kg Sb Eq.]               | 58.9             | 134.4           | 9.0                        | 855.9              | 0.5       | 32.0           |
| FEP [kg P Eq.]               | 102.1            | 0.5             | 55.8                       | 10.6               | 0.9       | 72.9           |
| MEP [kg N Eq.]               | 119.6            | 1.4             | 177.8                      | 2482.2             | 49.8      | 9.6            |
| FWETP [CTUe]                 | 92.5             | 3.7             | 0.6                        | 51.8               | 4.2       | 3.8            |
| HTCP [CTUh]                  | 46.9             | 13.6            | 1.1                        | 175.1              | 4.2       | 34.9           |
| HTNCP [CTUh]                 | 1080.1           | 99.9            | 5.2                        | 1445.9             | 96.1      | 276.5          |

**Table S7.** Life Cycle Impact Assessment data for the PET syrup packaging life cycle.

|                              | Cardboard<br>Box       | Aluminum<br>cap        | Polypropilene<br>dispenser | PET<br>container       | Transport              | End of<br>life         |
|------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| GWP [kg CO <sub>2</sub> Eq.] | 1.40×10 <sup>-2</sup>  | 4.70×10 <sup>-3</sup>  | 1.50×10 <sup>-2</sup>      | 6.41×10 <sup>-2</sup>  | 2.79×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 1.14×10 <sup>-2</sup>  |
| ODP [kg CFC-11 Eq.]          | 1.58×10 <sup>-13</sup> | 2.24×10 <sup>-12</sup> | 4.82×10 <sup>-10</sup>     | 2.08×10 <sup>-7</sup>  | 1.15×10 <sup>-15</sup> | 9.96×10 <sup>-12</sup> |
| PMP [kg PM2,5 Eq.]           | 1.54×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 1.26×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 3.88×10 <sup>-6</sup>      | 1.42×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 7.59×10 <sup>-8</sup>  | 1.56×10 <sup>-6</sup>  |
| POCP [kg NMVOC Eq.]          | 4.50×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 9.69×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 3.63×10 <sup>-5</sup>      | 2.18×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 4.01×10 <sup>-7</sup>  | 1.77×10 <sup>-5</sup>  |
| AP [Mol H+ Eq.]              | 4.53×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 2.24×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 7.21×10 <sup>-5</sup>      | 3.29×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 2.64×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 2.92×10 <sup>-5</sup>  |
| TEP [kg N Eq.]               | 1.87×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 3.42×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 1.30×10 <sup>-4</sup>      | 5.60×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 1.41×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 5.50×10 <sup>-5</sup>  |
| MEP [kg N Eq.]               | 8.04×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 9.25×10 <sup>-8</sup>  | 1.20×10 <sup>-5</sup>      | 1.77×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 1.27×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 1.14×10 <sup>-6</sup>  |
| FEP [kg P Eq.]               | 6.04×10 <sup>-7</sup>  | 3.17×10 <sup>-9</sup>  | 3.30×10 <sup>-7</sup>      | 1.18×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 1.91×10 <sup>-9</sup>  | 1.12×10 <sup>-6</sup>  |
| RD [kg Sb Eq.]               | 2.37×10 <sup>-8</sup>  | 5.35×10 <sup>-8</sup>  | 3.62×10 <sup>-9</sup>      | 4.29×10 <sup>-6</sup>  | 7.26×10 <sup>-11</sup> | 1.68×10 <sup>-8</sup>  |
| HTCP [CTUh]                  | 6.90×10 <sup>-12</sup> | 1.99×10 <sup>-12</sup> | 1.62×10 <sup>-13</sup>     | 1.07×10 <sup>-10</sup> | 2.20×10 <sup>-13</sup> | 7.04×10 <sup>-12</sup> |
| HTNCP [CTUh]                 | 2.29×10 <sup>-9</sup>  | 2.11×10 <sup>-10</sup> | 1.11×10 <sup>-11</sup>     | 3.28×10 <sup>-9</sup>  | 7.35×10 <sup>-11</sup> | 1.26×10 <sup>-9</sup>  |
| FWETP [CTUe]                 | 3.22×10 <sup>-3</sup>  | 1.27×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 2.24×10 <sup>-5</sup>      | 4.18×10 <sup>-2</sup>  | 5.15×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 6.60×10 <sup>-4</sup>  |
| IRP [kg U235 Eq.]            | 6.64×10 <sup>-5</sup>  | 5.02×10 <sup>-4</sup>  | 0.00×10 <sup>0</sup>       | 6.88×10 <sup>-3</sup>  | 4.05×10 <sup>-7</sup>  | 5.18×10 <sup>-4</sup>  |

**Table S8.** Normalized data for the PET syrup packaging life cycle.

|                              | Cardboard<br>Box | Aluminu<br>m cap | Polypropile<br>ne Dosifier | PET<br>container | Transport | End of<br>Life |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|
| GWP [kg CO <sub>2</sub> Eq.] | 386.2            | 129.2            | 413.0                      | 1763.9           | 7.7       | 313.3          |
| PMP [kg PM2,5 Eq.]           | 79.8             | 65.5             | 201.8                      | 736.5            | 3.9       | 81.1           |
| AP [Mol H+ Eq.]              | 240.5            | 118.9            | 382.7                      | 1746.1           | 14.0      | 155.0          |
| ODP [kg CFC-11 Eq.]          | 0.0              | 0.0              | 5.6                        | 2415.9           | 0.0       | 0.1            |
| IRP [kg U235 Eq.]            | 14.7             | 111.4            | 0.0                        | 1527.0           | 0.1       | 115.0          |
| POCP [kg NMVOC Eq.]          | 354.4            | 76.3             | 285.6                      | 1714.5           | 3.2       | 139.4          |
| TEP [kg N Eq.]               | 268.5            | 49.1             | 186.0                      | 802.8            | 20.3      | 78.8           |
| RD [kg Sb Eq.]               | 58.9             | 133.1            | 9.0                        | 10690.0          | 0.2       | 41.9           |
| FEP [kg P Eq.]               | 102.1            | 0.5              | 55.8                       | 200.2            | 0.3       | 189.5          |
| MEP [kg N Eq.]               | 119.6            | 1.4              | 177.8                      | 26.3             | 18.8      | 16.9           |
| HTCP [CTUh]                  | 46.9             | 13.5             | 1.1                        | 726.6            | 1.5       | 47.9           |
| HTNCP [CTUh]                 | 1080.1           | 99.1             | 5.2                        | 1544.7           | 34.6      | 590.8          |
| FWETP [CTUe]                 | 92.5             | 3.7              | 0.6                        | 1199.0           | 1.5       | 19.0           |



**Figure S1.** Overall values of the level I and II environmental indicators for glass (white) and PET (grey) containers life cycle.

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