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## Strengthening/ Widening Scope 3 accounting

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## The Data Collection Process







## Approaches to Screening

Rank activities in value chain map by:

- magnitude of GHG emissions (emissions-based screening)
- financial spend and/or revenue (financial screening)
- other criteria relevant to the company and stakeholders





## **Emissions-based screening**

- This involves estimating emissions using activity data and reasonable assumptions, combined with secondary data
- Reasonable assumptions can be used in the absence of readily available activity data (e.g. estimating the number of business flights taken by the company)
- Types of secondary data that can be used:
  - Environmentally-extended input output (EEIO) data
  - Cradle-to-gate emission factors







Emissions-based screening Case study: Italcementi

## Emission factors from secondary databases and activity data coupled with plausible assumptions used to estimate emissions from each category

Examples of Italcementi's screening methods:

Category	Estimation method
Category 1 (Purchased goods and services)	Production volume used to estimate main inputs (limestone, clinker, aggregates, nitric acid used in laboratories). Average emission factors applied to inputs
Category 3 (Fuel- and Energy-related activities)	Total corporate entity production volume coupled with Ecoinvent electricity consumption per productivity
Category 4 (Upstream Transportation & Distribution)	Ecoinvent transportation data for cement and concrete purchased goods applied to corporate entity productivity
Category 5 (Waste generated in operations)	Ecoinvent waste generated data for cement and concrete production applied to Corporate entity productivity.
Category 6 (Business Travel)	Long haul flights each month and 100km drive each week for 50% of total number of Corporate entity employees





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#### Screening results:

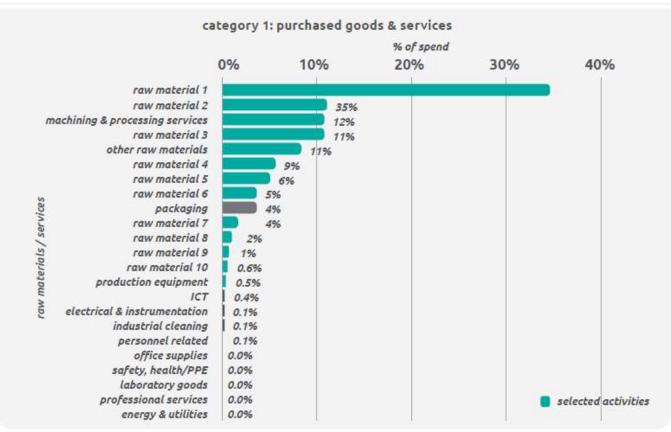
Category	Estimated Contribution to Total Scope 3
Purchased goods	70%
Fuel- and energy related emissions	14%
Transportation & distribution upstream	8%
Transportation & distribution downstream	7%
Business Travel	1%
Employee Commuting	1%
End-of-Life Treatment of Products	0%
Waste Generated in Operations	0%
Capital goods/Use of Product/Franchises/Leased assets/Investments	N/A





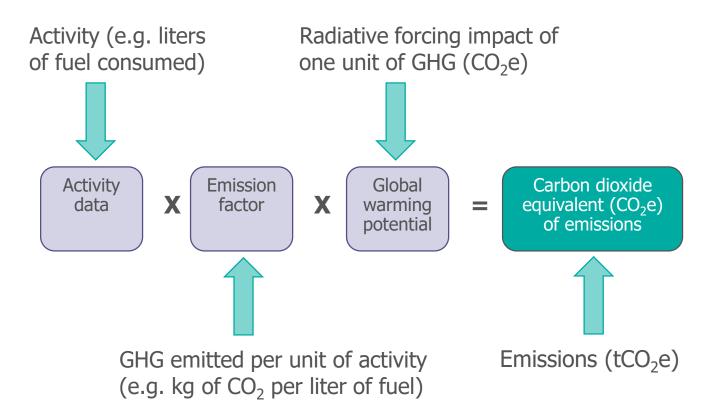


AkzoNobel used financial screening in order to prioritize data collection efforts within category 1, by grouping purchased goods by type and ranking the groups by expenditure





## **Components of an Emission Calculation**





## **Examples of Activity Data**

- Liters of fuel consumed
- Kilowatt-hours of electricity consumed
- Kilograms of material consumed
- Kilometers of distance traveled
- Hours of time operated
- Square meters of area occupied
- Kilograms of waste generated
- Kilograms of product sold
- Quantity of money spent





## **Examples of emission factors**

- kg CO2 emitted per liter of fuel consumed
- kg CO2 emitted per kWh of electricity consumed
- kg PFC emitted per kg of material consumed
- t CO2 emitted per kilometer traveled
- kg SF6 emitted per hour of time operated
- g N2O emitted per square meter of area
- g CH4 emitted per kg of waste generated
- kg HFC emitted per kg of product sold
- kg CO2 emitted per unit of currency spent





NOTE: All emission factors used to calculate scope 3 emissions should be cradle-to-gate emission factors (except for energy emission factors used for scope 3 category 3 – see next slide)



## **Data Selection**

#### Companies may use two types of data:

#### • Primary data

• Data from specific activities within a company's value chain (i.e., asking suppliers/customers for their emissions data)

#### Secondary data

- Data that is not from specific activities in a company's value chain (industry average)
  - EEIO database, financial data, proxy data

Choose data sources based on your goals for the scope 3 inventory

## Note: Many companies will use a combination of primary and secondary data



## **Guidance for Collecting Primary Data**

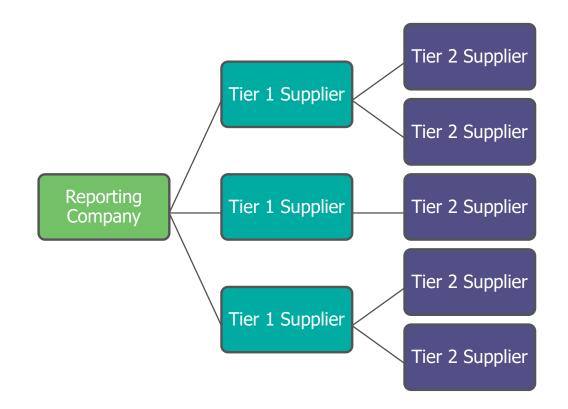
**Companies should collect energy or emissions data from suppliers for priority scope 3 activities** 

**Companies should first identify relevant tier 1 suppliers** 

Companies are required to report the percentage of emissions calculated using supplier data



## Collecting Primary Data from Tier 1 and/or Tier 2 Suppliers





# Primary Data – What should you ask suppliers for?

#### • Type of data

- Product life cycle data
- Scope 1 and 2 emissions data for supplier
- Activity data
- Estimates of upstream emissions

#### • Level of data

- As granular and specific as possible
  - Avoids need for allocation
    - Especially important to obtain from diversified suppliers



## Levels of Data Specificity



**Corporate-level data** 

Business unit-level data

**Facility-level data** 

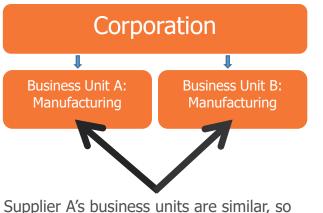
Activity-, process- or production linelevel data

Product-level data



## **Determining Appropriate Data Type**

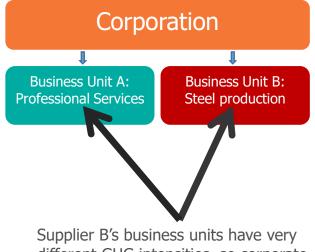
#### Supplier A. Homogenous Supplier



Supplier A's business units are similar, so corporate level data might be a reasonable reflection of emissions from a product that a company purchased from this supplier



**Supplier B. Diversified Supplier** 



Supplier B's business units have very different GHG intensities, so corporate level data would not accurately reflect emissions from a product or service that a company purchased from this supplier



- **1. Reliance on value chain partners** to provide data
- 2. Lesser degree of influence over data collection and management
- **3. Lesser degree of knowledge** about data types, data sources, and data quality
- 4. Broader need for **secondary data**
- 5. Broader need for **assumptions and modeling**



## Guidance for collecting primary data

#### **Case study: Levis**

Levis designed questionnaire to collect readily available data from a sample of tier 1 and 2 suppliers

- 1. Questionnaire was sent to a sample of tier one suppliers (cut/sew/finish) and tier two suppliers (mills)
- 2. Asked for details of materials and energy used in processing, and waste
- 3. Responses were aggregated, averaged and modeled using the SimaPro LCA modeling software



Levi's



# Guidance for collecting primary data national grid

## Challenge: Lack of transparency

#### Case Study:

#### Sense check supplier data:

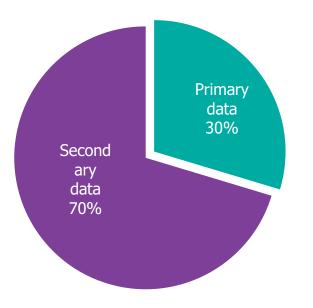
- 1. National Grid compared supplier provided data with supplier emissions using Defra factors
- 2. Where comparable, replaced Defra emission calculation with supplier provided data
- 3. Where there were discrepancies, National Grid investigated what the supplier had included in the data it provided





# Using a combination of calculation methods

- Road test companies used a mixture of primary and secondary data
- On average 30% of emissions was calculated using primary data, and 70% was calculated using secondary data
- The range was 94% primary data to 0% primary data







## Case Study: Levis

- Levis used a mix of primary and secondary data
- Inventory was 45% primary data and 55% secondary data

Category	Data type
Raw Materials Extraction & Processing	Secondary
Tier Two Suppliers (mills)	Primary
Tier One Suppliers (cut/sew/finish)	Primary
Distribution	Primary
General Transport & Logistics	Secondary
Product Retail	Primary
Product Use	Secondary
Product Disposal	Secondary
Corporate Emissions/Travel/Employee Commuting	Primary





## Case Study: Kraft

#### Method

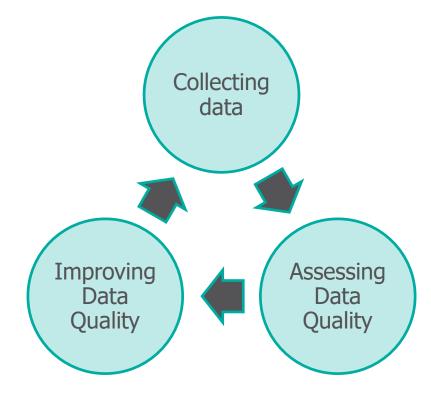
- Used industry average life cycle inventory data from various public and commercial sources
- Matched emissions factors with its own internal data on activities and purchases

#### Justification

- Allowed Kraft to understand its total scope 3 emissions with reasonable accuracy, cost, and speed, and with the ability to update as more precise secondary data became available
- Using secondary data fit Kraft's needs given that a large portion of its purchased commodities are produced in a global market where tracking the agricultural source of origin is challenging



### Scope 3 Inventory – An Iterative Process





## Thank You

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