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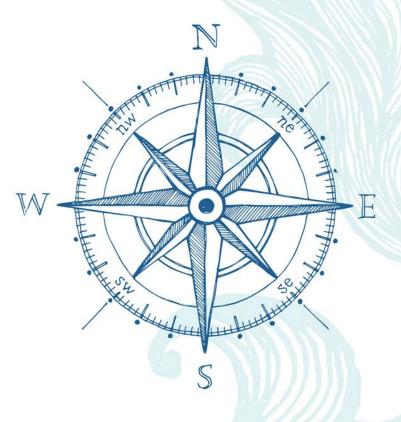
- Learn how AB 262 will affect Campus capital outlay projects
- Understand Product Category Rules and Environmental Product Descriptions
- Understand options for compliance with the law





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# BUY CLEAN CALIFORNIA ACT (AB262)





#### Legislation overview

- Awarding authorities are any state agencies subject to the State Contract Act, Regents of the University of California, and Trustees of the California State University involved with public works contracts.
  - [PCC DIVISION 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS, PART 1. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, CHAPTER 3. Formation, ARTICLE 5. Buy Clean California Act Section, 3501 (a)]



### Legislation overview

- DGS is required to set the maximum limit for global warming potential (GWP) of eligible materials and publish it in the state contracting manual.
  - [PCC DIVISION 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS, PART 1. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, CHAPTER 3. Formation, ARTICLE 5. Buy Clean California Act Section, 3502 (a)]





### **Legislation Overview**

- Awarding authorities are required to obtain type III environmental product declarations (EPDs) for the eligible materials proposed to be used.
  - [PCC DIVISION 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS, PART 1. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, CHAPTER 3. Formation, ARTICLE 5. Buy Clean California Act, Section, 3503 (a)]





#### **Legislation Overview**

- Awarding authorities are required to include a GWP limit for eligible materials in bid specifications in eligible projects.
  - [PCC DIVISION 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS, PART 1. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, CHAPTER 3. Formation, ARTICLE 5. Buy Clean California Act, Section, 3503 (b)]





#### **Legislation Overview**

- Awarding authorities must prohibit successful bidder from installing eligible materials until that bidder submits an associated EPD.
  - [PCC DIVISION 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS, PART 1. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, CHAPTER 3. Formation, ARTICLE 5. Buy Clean California Act, Section, 3503 (c)]





### Roles and responsibilities

- DGS to establish and publish a maximum global warming potential (GWP) for eligible materials.
   Eligible materials include structural steel, rebar, flat glass, and mineral wool board insulation.
- Awarding authorities are to include in specifications for bids a GWP requirement not to exceed limit set by DGS for eligible materials.





### Roles and responsibilities

- Awarding authorities also must prohibit successful bidder from installing eligible materials on an eligible project until that bidder submits an EPD to the awarding authority.
- Awarding authorities are any state agencies subject to the State Contract Act, Regents of the University of California, and Trustees of the California State University involved with public works contracts.

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### Original Key legislation dates

- January 1, 2019
- DGS shall establish and publish in the State Contracting Manual a maximum acceptable global warming potential for each category of eligible materials.
- July 1, 2019
- Contracts entered on or after this date between successful bidders and the awarding authorities will be subject to the requirements of the Buy Clean California Act.

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### Original Key legislation dates

- January 1, 2022 and every three years thereafter
- DGS shall review the maximum acceptable global warming potential for each category of eligible materials and may adjust the number downward to reflect industry improvements.
- January 1, 2022
- DGS shall submit a report to the Legislature on any obstacles to the implementation and effectiveness of the Buy Clean California Act to reduce global warming potential.

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#### **Assembly Bill 1817**

- Assembly Bill (AB) 1817 was a trailer bill to the California budget approved on 6/27/18. It made the following key modifications to AB 262:
  - Extended by two years the date to set GWP limit and apply AB 262.
  - Allows exclusion of fabrication stage to set GWP limit.





### **Assembly Bill 1817**

- AB 1817 was a trailer bill to the California budget approved on 6/27/18. It made the following key modifications to AB 262:
  - Gave awarding authorities ability to exclude AB 262 implementation if it is technically infeasible, significantly increases project costs or schedules, or results in a single source supplier. Implementation would also be excluded under emergency situations.
  - Implements a 2 year phase-in of EPD submissions.





### Revised Timeline (AB 1817)

- Jan 1, 2019: An awarding authority shall request that the successful bidder for a contract submit a current facility-specific Environmental Product Declaration.
- Jan 1, 2020: An awarding authority shall require that the successful bidder for a contract submit a current facility-specific Environmental Product Declaration.





### Revised Timeline (AB 1817)

- Jan 1, 2021: DGS sets maximum GWP limit on eligible materials and publishes it. A report to the Legislature that describes the method that the department used to develop the maximum global warming potential is also due.
- July 1, 2021: Requirements under AB 262 shall be applied to contracts entered on or after this date.





### Revised Timeline (AB 1817)

- Jan 1, 2022: DGS to submit a report to the Legislature on any obstacles to the implementation of AB 262 and the effectiveness of AB 262 to reduce GWP.
- Jan 1, 2024 and every 3 years thereafter: DGS shall review the maximum GWP for eligible materials and adjust the number downwards as warranted by industry improvements.





### Materials and agencies affected

- The Buy Clean California Act (aka AB 262) was signed into law on October 15, 2017. It is published under Public Contract Code, section 3500-3505. Modified by AB 1817.
- It will apply to four construction materials: structural steel, carbon steel rebar, flat glass, and mineral wool board insulation.





### Materials and agencies affected

- Will apply to public works contracts with the following state agencies:
  - Department of General Services (Real Estate Services Division)
  - Department of Transportation
  - Department of Water Resources
  - Department of Parks and Recreation





### Materials and agencies affected

- Will apply to public works contracts with the following state agencies:
  - Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
  - University of California
  - California State University
  - Military Department





- Eligible material EPD requirements
  - Structural Steel EPDs
    - Product Category Rule (PCR):
      - North American Product Category Rule for Designated Steel Construction Products, Version 1.0, released 5/5/15
      - Life cycle stage covered: Product stage (aka: cradle to gate) based on information modules A1-A3
      - Program operator: SCS Global Services





- Eligible material EPD requirements
  - Material Scope
    - Hot-rolled sections
    - Hollow structural sections
    - Plate





- Eligible material EPD requirements
  - Carbon Steel Rebar EPDs
    - Product Category Rule (PCR):
      - North American Product Category Rule for Designated Steel Construction Products, Version 1.0, released 5/5/15
      - Life cycle stage covered: Product stage (aka: cradle to gate) based on information modules A1-A3
      - Program operator: SCS Global Services





- Eligible material EPD requirements
  - Material Scope
    - Plain carbon-steel bars for concrete reinforcement per ASTM A615/A615M
    - Plain low-alloy steel bars for concrete reinforcement per ASTM A706/A706M





- Eligible material EPD requirements
  - Flat Glass EPDs
    - Product category Rule (PCR):
      - GANA PCR for Flat Glass: UN CPC 3711, released 3/31/14
      - Life cycle stage covered: Cradle to gate
      - Program operator: NSF International
  - Material scope:
    - Clear or tinted float and rolled glass without additional processing such as coatings, tempering, and laminating

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- Eligible material EPD requirements
  - Mineral Wool Board Insulation EPDs
    - Product Category Rule PCR:
      - Part B: Building Envelope Thermal Insulation EPD requirements, version 2.0, released 4/10/18
      - Life cycle stage covered: Cradle to installation and end of life (optionally cradle to grave)
      - Program operator: UL Environment





- Eligible material EPD requirements
  - Material scope:
    - Low and high density mineral wool board made of rock and slag
    - Light density: 2.5 4.2 lb/ft3 | 40 kg/m3 67.3 kg/m3
    - Heavy density: 4.3 8.0 lb/ft3 | 68.9 kg/m3 128 kg/m3





# Global Warming Potential (GWP) Baseline Methodology

GWP baseline formula – DRAFT

$$GWP_{\text{baseline}} = \frac{\left[\sum (GWP_{SSSF}) + \sum (n \times GWP_{SSMF}) + \sum (n \times GWP_{IW})\right]}{\sum (N)}$$

GWP compliance limit - DRAFT



$$GWP_{\text{baseline}} = \frac{\left[\sum (GWP_{SSSF}) + \sum (n \times GWP_{SSMF}) + \sum (n \times GWP_{IW})\right]}{\sum (N)}$$

- Perform a weighted GWP average from published EPDs for eligible materials. Valid EPD types include:
  - Single supplier, single production facility (SSSF) EPDs
  - Single supplier, multi-production facility (SSMF) EPDs
  - Industry-wide (IW) EPDs
- n = number of production facilities in SSMF or producers in IW EPDs
- N = total number of production facilities from all EPDs used in calculation





### **GWP Compliance Limit - DRAFT**

• GWP compliance limit = GWP<sub>baseline</sub> + 20%





### **GWP Compliance Limit - DRAFT**

Material	Subcategory	(D)eclared or (F)unctional unit	GWP unit	GWP baseline	Fabricated GWP compliance limit
Structural steel	Hot-rolled sections	1 metric ton of steel product (D)	1 metric ton of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	1.02	1.22
	Hollow structural sections	1 metric ton of steel product (D)	1 metric ton of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	2.39	2.87
	Plate	1 metric ton of steel product (D)	1 metric ton of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	1.47	1.76
Carbon steel rebar	Uncoated carbon steel and low alloy	1 metric ton of steel product (D)	1 metric ton of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	.85	1.02

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### **GWP Compliance Limit - DRAFT**

Material	Subcategory	(D)eclared or (F)unctional	GWP unit	GWP baseline	GWP compliance
		unit		baseiine	limit
Flat glass	Clear or tinted	1 metric ton of flat glass (D)	kg of CO <sub>2</sub>	936.33	1124
			eq.		
Mineral wool	Light density	1 m <sup>2</sup> of insulation material,	kg of CO <sub>2</sub>	2.84	3.41
board	board	average thermal resistance R	eq.		
insulation <sup>2</sup>	insulation	= 1 m <sup>2</sup> K/W, building service			
		life of 75 years (F)			
	Heavy density	1 m <sup>2</sup> of insulation material,	kg of CO <sub>2</sub>	7.94	9.53
	board	average thermal resistance R	eq.		
	insulation	= 1 m <sup>2</sup> K/W, building service		1	
		life of 75 years (F)	(		9111 <b>7</b> 0

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# What does DGS need from the industry?

- EPDs for eligible materials are developed according to the selected PCR for each eligible material. This applies to both domestic and foreign suppliers.
- EPDs published in recognized databases for EPDs or program operators' websites.





## What does DGS need from the industry?

- When developing EPDs for structural steel and rebar, do not aggregate the GWP module data (i.e., A1-A3) to allow maximum flexibility of setting compliance limits.
- Additionally, for structural steel and rebar, report results for one metric ton of product that is not fabricated or manufactured in EPD.





# What does DGS need from the industry?

- EPDs for mineral wool insulation board to continue reporting separate GWP figures for light and heavy density insulation board types.
- EPDs, EPDs, EPDs.





#### **Activity to Date**

- Research:
  - Conducted background research on eligible materials, Environmental Product Disclosures (EPDs), Product Category Rules (PCRs), and ISO standards.
  - Met with DGS legislative analyst to understand AB 262 development history.
  - Met with DGS legal for clarification and interpretation of legislation.
  - Discussed similar programs with High Speed Rail and Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality.
  - Engaged with external stakeholders.





#### **Activity to Date**

- Agency coordination:
  - Initial kickoff meeting on 12/21/17.
  - Follow-up agency meetings on 3/15/18, 4/18/18, 6/5/18, and 9/26/2018.
- External outreach event:
  - Conducted at DGS headquarters on 6/26/18.





## External stakeholder engagement

- Industry trade groups:
  - AISC American Institute of Steel Construction
  - CRSI Concrete Reinforcement Steel Institute
  - NAIMA North American Insulating Materials Association
  - NGA National Glass Association
  - NSBA National Steel Bridge Alliance
  - SRI Steel Recycling Institute
  - STI Steel Tube Institute





## External stakeholder engagement

- Suppliers:
  - Nucor
  - Owens Corning
  - Rockwool
  - Knoff Insulation
  - Vitro Glass
  - Guardian Glass





## External stakeholder engagement

- Bill Proponents:
  - Sierra Club
- Program Operators:
  - SCS Global Services
  - UL Environment
  - NSF
- Other:
  - Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
  - High Speed Rail





#### Industry concerns

- Steel and Rebar:
  - Don't think most fabricators have the resources to conduct a Life Cycle Analysis (LCA) or produce EPDs.
  - Large burden on fabricators who only represent 5%-10% of the overall Global Warming Potential (GWP) contribution for a fabricated product. Trade groups would rather focus on producer impacts.





### Industry concerns

#### • Glass:

- Limited number of EPDs to develop GWP limit. Total of 3 EPDs today.
- GWP limit based on an average will cut out half the number of suppliers.
- Suppliers don't want to be sole-source to state projects.
- Doesn't understand why flat glass was targeted in legislation.





#### **Industry concerns**

- Mineral Wool:
  - Believes AB 262 causes unfair competition for mineral wool board insulation since other competitive insulating materials are not targeted in legislation.





## Next Steps to Roll Out Legislation

- AB 1817
  - Work with agencies to review and update implementation proposals communicated at external outreach event.
- Outreach
  - Post public comment Q&A on AB 262 website.
     Comment period closed on August 10th.
  - Hold additional outreach to communicate new proposals.





## Next Steps to Roll Out Legislation

- Finalizing GWP limit
  - Collect EPDs for final GWP limit calculation.
  - Develop legislative report on methodology by Jan 1, 2021. Publish GWP limit by Jan 1, 2021.
- Agency policy development and coordination
  - Align policy with awarding agencies.





#### Issues to Resolve

- Industry doesn't agree with single facility EPD requirement for compliance.
- Industry provides non-ISO 14025 EPD for compliance.
- Lack of consistency between agency's compliance policies can cause industry confusion and impact projects.





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