

## Recycled Content of SSAB Americas Steel

SSAB steel products manufactured at our North American facilities contain approximately 97% recycled steel, excluding recycled “home” scrap steel. The non-recycled content represents primarily alloying materials, and some new iron. SSAB Americas’ steel products are recycled steels manufactured in an Electric Arc Furnace (EAF) process. In this process, recovered scrap steel is melted in the EAF, (as described, for example, in the 2002 Steel Recycling Institute’s fact sheet, “*The Inherent Recycled Content of Today’s Steel*”).

SSAB Americas operates steel mills at two locations (Mobile, Alabama and Montpelier, Iowa), with a combined annual liquid steel-making capacity of approximately 3,500,000 tons.

Of the recycled steel content, approximately 15% is post-industrial recycled steel (steel from industries that has not been made into products before recycling), and the remainder is post-consumer recycled steel (steel from products used by individuals and businesses and then recycled). The 2009 post-industrial and post-consumer recycled steel content of SSAB’s products for its two North American steelworks is as shown in the table below.

<u>Location:</u>	<u>2009 Recycled Steel Content (%)</u>		
	<u>Post-Industrial</u>	<u>Post-Consumer</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mobile, Alabama	13.6	83.3	96.9
Montpelier, Iowa	16.2	81.7	97.9
Approximate Average	14.9	82.5	97.4

We understand that this information is relevant to meet specifications under the “Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design” (LEED) rating system. We hope that this is helpful, and are pleased to assist in the furthering of recycling through the use of SSAB steels.

If there are any questions with respect to the above, please contact:

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