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Subject: Recycled Content



AK Steel typically uses an average of between 24% - 31% of total recycled material content in the BOF steelmaking process for carbon steel products. AK Steel typically uses an average of 95% or more of total recycled material content in the EAF steelmaking process for carbon steel products. According to the steel recycling institute, recycled content averages about 80% post-consumer and 20% post-industrial material. Excluding intra-company purchases, the following information regarding scrap purchases are made as noted below:

The Middletown, Ohio facility obtains approximately 95% of the scrap consumed within a 150 mile radius of the plant and 100% is obtained within 300 miles.

The Ashland, Kentucky facility obtains approximately 75% of the scrap consumed within a 150 mile radius of the plant and 100% is obtained within 450 miles.

The Dearborn, Michigan facility obtains approximately 100% of the scrap consumed within a 150 mile radius of the plant.

For further information about recycling steel and how the LEED rating system applies to AK Steel products, please refer to the following website link:

<http://www.recycle-steel.org/>

Thank you for your inquiry regarding AK Steel products.

Respectfully,

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