

# Insulated Roof & Wall Panels

# EPD Roof Panels



## **Environmental Product Declaration**

Insulated Roof Panels

Based on cradle to grave Life Cycle Assessment



## **External Critical Review : Life Cycle Assessment and Environmental Product Declaration of Insulated Panel Products for Kingspan Insulated Panels Pty Ltd February 2012**

Edge Environment Pty Ltd have appointed PE International's UK office to conduct a critical review of an LCA study, "Life Cycle Assessment and Environmental Product Declaration of Insulated Panel Products", conducted for Kingspan Insulated Panels Pty Ltd to assess Kingspan's insulated panel products for roof, wall and controlled environment applications produced in Australia.

The review was performed from December 2011 to February 2012 based on the report received from Edge Environment on 23rd December 2011 and revised reports received on 20 January 2012, 6 February 2012 and 17 February 2012.

The study has been reviewed against ISO 14044:2006, and in our view, it complies with all relevant requirements, defined by the use of "shall" within the Standard.

The study has also been reviewed against the Building Products Innovation Council (BPIC) *Methodology Guidelines for the Materials and Building Products Life Cycle Inventory Database*. In our view the study meets the requirements regarding system boundary, allocation, data requirements and impact assessment set out in the Methodology.

BPIC has also provided a protocol for the correct use of Australian Life Cycle Inventory Data, *Protocol for the Correct Use of Australian Life Cycle Inventory Data for Building and Construction Materials and Products*. This provides 15 core requirements which must be met for the study to be compliant with the BP Protocol. In our view, the study is compliant with the Protocol.

Overall, this LCA study appears to have been executed thoroughly. The report is well written and the goals of the study are clearly presented. Data sources are well documented and their selection appropriate. The conclusions appear to be robust.

**We confirm that the LCA study is compliant with the international standards for Life Cycle Assessment (ISO 14040:2006 and ISO 14044:2006) and in our view meets the requirements of the BP LCI Methodology and Protocol.**

Critical Review undertaken for Edge Environment Pty Ltd on behalf of Mark Tatam, Kingspan Insulated Panels Pty Ltd.

Completed by Jane Anderson, Principal Consultant and Peter Shonfield, Technical Director of PE INTERNATIONAL

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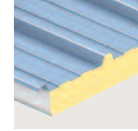
# Approved Environmental Profile: Australia

# Insulated Roof Panels

**Characterised, Normalised and Weighted Data for:**

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COMPLIANT WITH  
ISO 14040 / ISO 14044 AND  
BP LCI METHODOLOGY



**Quality of data for certified material:**

<b>Source of Data</b>	Kingspan Company Records, 2010
<b>Data Analysis</b>	Edge Environment
<b>3rd Party Critical Review</b>	PE INTERNATIONAL
<b>Geography</b>	Australia and New Zealand
<b>Representativeness</b>	1 site representing 100% of Kingspan Australian product manufactured in St. Mary's, Sydney.

**LCA Methodology** This is a Kingspan ISO14021 Type II self-declaration summary, independently assessed by Edge Environment, and peer reviewed by PE INTERNATIONAL, in compliance with ISO 14040 / 14044 and making use of the BP LCI methodology. It is compatible with the requirements of an ISO14025 Type III product declaration.

**Life Cycle Impact Data**

**Cradle to grave over a 40 year life**, excluding the significant energy saving benefits accrued from thermal insulation performance over the lifetime of the building (full environmental product declaration available from Kingspan on request).

Reference : KS-RWaust1-2010

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Water use	kL H <sub>2</sub> O	1.3	0.14%	0.0086
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**Signed**



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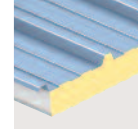
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<b>Abiotic resource depletion</b>				
Non-renewable fuels	kg oil eq	21.0	1.07%	0.0972
Water use	kL H <sub>2</sub> O	1.3	0.24%	0.0080
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**Date approved:**  
19th February 2012

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# Environmental Product Declaration

# Kingspan Products Manufactured in Australia

## Environmental Product Declaration for Kingspan Insulated Roof Panels Manufactured in Australia

The Kingspan Trapezoidal roof panel system (KS1000 RW) is suitable for roof applications in a wide range of developments such as commercial, retail and industrial, government and others.

The Trapezoidal roof panel is a 'through fixed roof' system which can be used for building applications with roof slopes of 4° or more after deflection. It provides a complete roof system, combining an exterior protective steel sheet, a high performance insulant, and a decorative internal liner, all in one product.

All Kingspan products are backed by a comprehensive warranty package of up to 25 years with a life expectancy in excess of 40 years. This provides assurance for all the key performance areas of an insulated roof system. The panels are designed for excellent air tightness performance, which will optimize energy performance over the operating life of buildings.

This product declaration is based on the report '*Life Cycle Assessment and Environmental Product Declaration of Insulated Panel Products*' by Edge Environment Pty Ltd and peer reviewed by Jane Anderson (PE INTERNATIONAL). The declaration is for a typical 1m<sup>2</sup> of installed roof panel (Trapezoidal KS1000 RW,

60mm thick, R3.36) assessed from cradle to grave over a product life of 40 years in Australia and New Zealand. The panel service life is assumed to include one repaint of the external facing panel side. Figures 3, 4 and 5 show the continuous manufacturing process and two versions of the system diagram and assessment boundary.

Kingspan hereby declares that 1m<sup>2</sup> of Trapezoidal roof panel system (KS1000 RW, 60mm thick, R3.36) achieves the following environmental performance for the functional unit declared above, in accordance with the BP LCI methodologies and protocols, in accordance with ISO14040/4 and aligned with the objectives for type III product declarations stated in ISO 14025:2006(E). This Kingspan declaration is an interim measure until the time applicable product criteria reports become available for Kingspan's Australasian market.

The results in this declaration are representative for Kingspan Insulated Panels Pty Ltd production at 38-52 Dunheved Circuit, St Marys, NSW 2760.

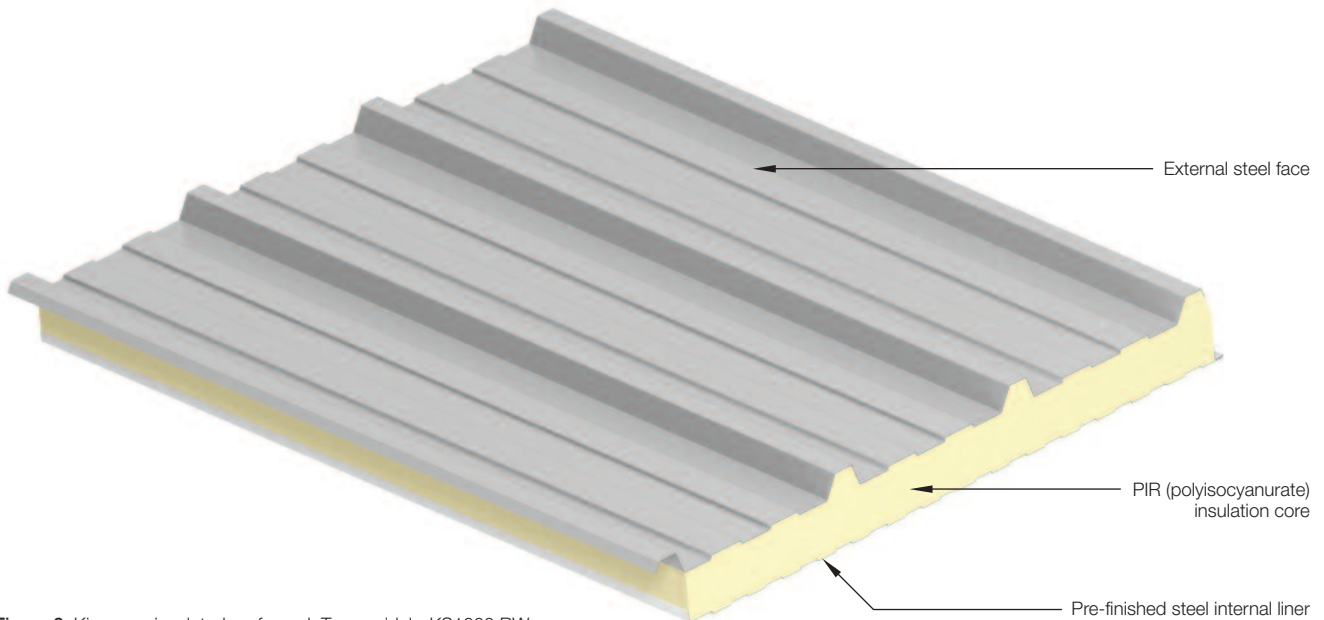


Figure 2: Kingspan insulated roof panel: Trapezoidal - KS1000 RW



## Manufacturing Process

### Insulated Metal Panels – Continuous Production Line (CPL)

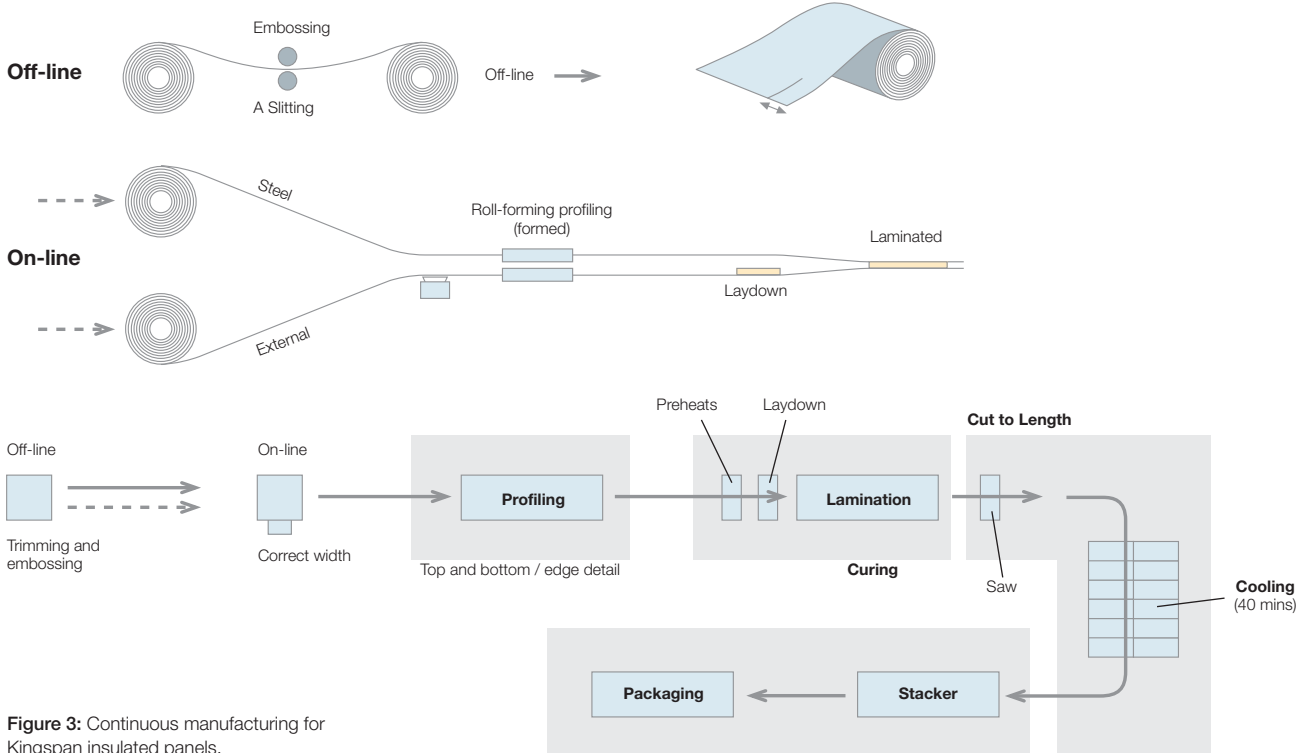


Figure 3: Continuous manufacturing for Kingspan insulated panels.

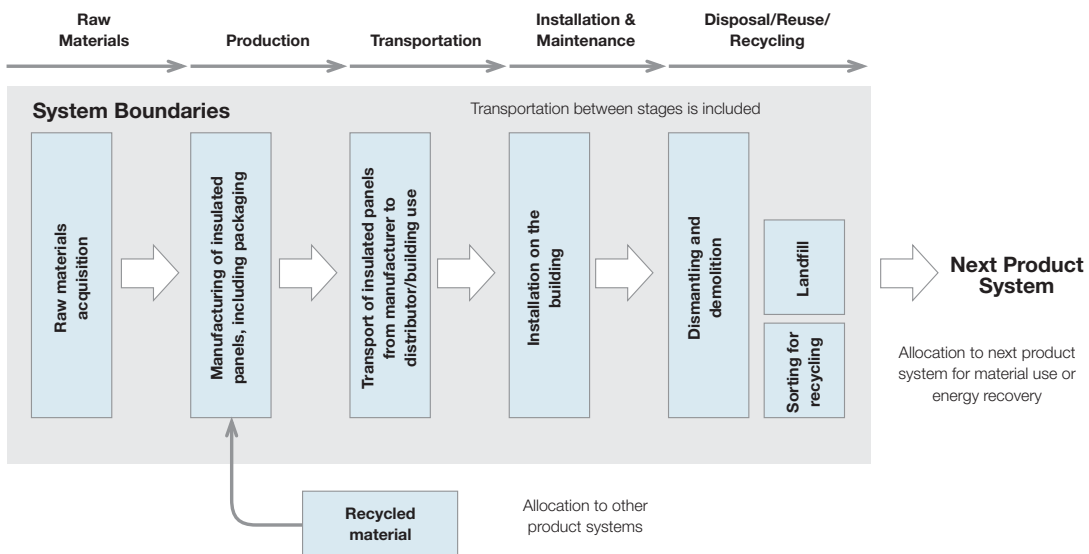


Figure 4: Kingspan insulated panel system diagram (simplified).

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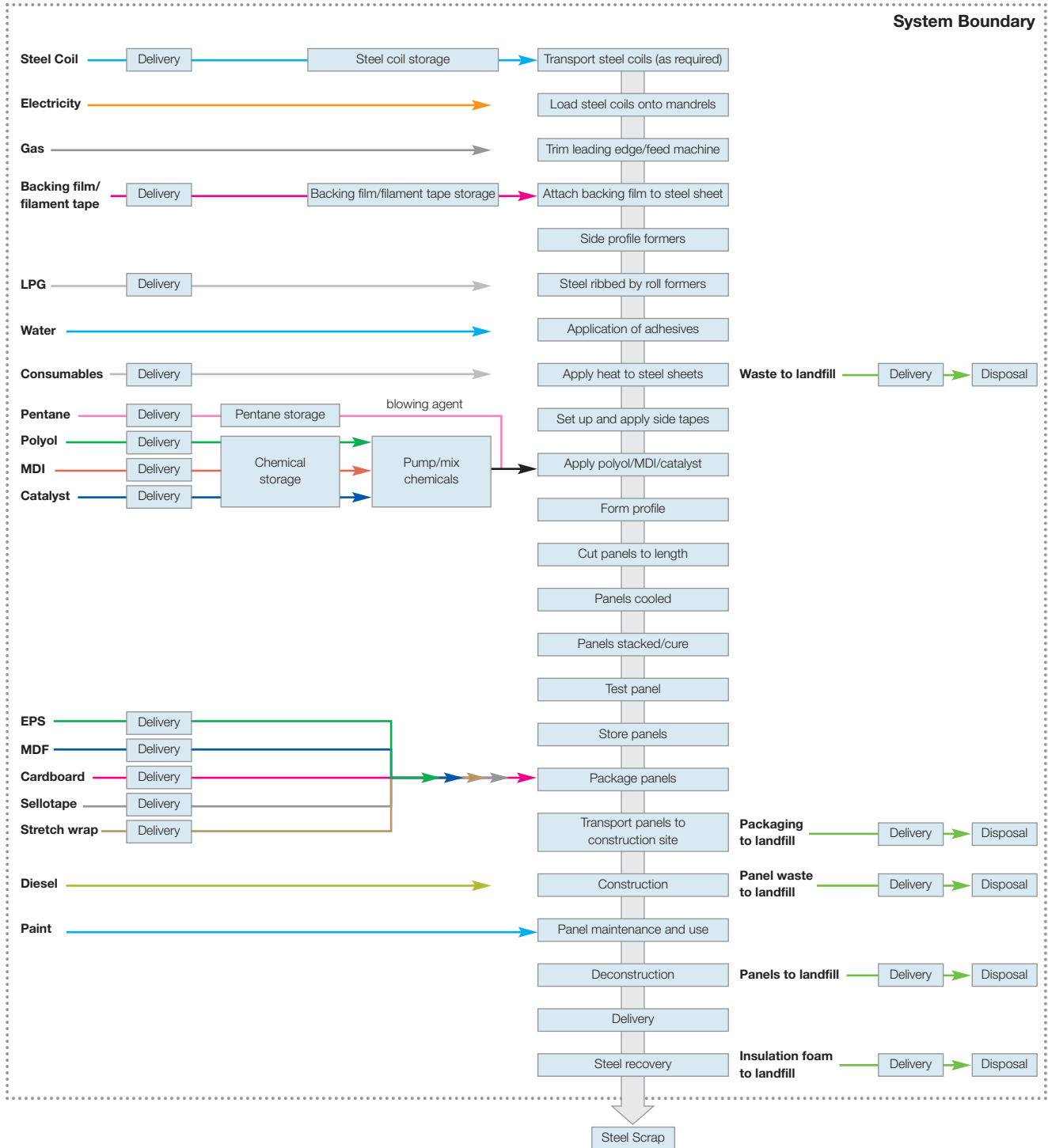


Figure 5: Kingspan insulated panel system diagram (comprehensive).

# Environmental Product Declaration

# Key Contributing Data

## Panel Production and Packaging

The inventory data collected from Kingspan for its production of each panel type, for the year 2010, is summarised in the following table.

The panels are produced from:

- galvanised and painted steel sheet coils produced in Electric Arc Furnace (EAF) in South Korea;
- backing film/filament tape made of HDPE attached to the steel sheet;
- insulation foam formed from chemicals sourced from China (MDI, polyol and catalysts) and South Korea (pentane); and
- typical packaging made up from EPS, MDF, cardboard, stretch wrap and small amounts of sellotape (assumed negligible).

Parameter	Quantity	Unit
<b>Steel Sheets</b>		
Steel Coil	7.74	kg
Zinc coating	0.51	kg
Polyester Paint 25um (incl. primer)	0.62	kg
Backing Film / Filament tape	0.094	kg
<b>Insulation Foam</b>		
PIR Insulation foam	2.64	kg
<b>Packaging</b>		
EPS	0.32	kg
MDF	0.00027	m <sup>3</sup>
Cardboard	0.068	kg
Stretch wrap	0.033	kg
<b>Manufacturing</b>		
Electricity	1.96	kWh
Natural Gas	2.42	MJ
Water	2.22	L
Waste	1.04	kg

**Table 1:** Key contributing data for production of 1m<sup>2</sup> Trapezoidal roof panel system (KS1000 RW, 60mm thick, R3.36, 10.6kg/m<sup>2</sup> - excluding packaging).

## Transport

Panel distribution by truck, rail and sea freight from Kingspan's gate was calculated based on national annual sales volumes by state and conservative average transport distance assumptions. For New Zealand distribution the assessment includes sea freight in containers to Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch and an additional 200km added for regional road distribution.

## Installation and Deconstruction

Diesel fuel consumption for machinery used during construction and deconstruction has been included in the assessment.

Construction waste from damaged panels has been accounted for by assuming 1% wastage i.e. the production of 1.01m<sup>2</sup> of panels produced and delivered to site for each square metre of panel installed in the building. This is likely a conservative estimate for the average Kingspan panel construction project.

## Maintenance

The exterior facing (top) panel side is assumed to be re-painted once over the 40-year life of the panel.

## Disposal / Reuse / Recycling

Kingspan have limited empirical evidence of what the end of life fate is for their panels. Based on anecdotal evidence the panels are either deconstructed and transported for reuse in a second building, or diverted for material recovery. With the large degree of uncertainty of the panels' end of life fate, the cradle to grave environmental profile was calculated based on the most conservative scenarios where the majority of used panels are deconstructed and transported to material recovery facilities, where the steel is recovered and returned into the recycling stream, and the insulation foam is diverted to landfill. Approximately 6% of the panels are assumed to be disposed in landfill with no immediate material recovery.



<b>Project</b>	Otago Plaza Gymnasium
<b>Location</b>	Dunedin, Otago
<b>Product</b>	Trapezoidal – KS1000 RW



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## Commercial cradle to grave diagrams

### Roof Specification\*

High Performing Specifications

Poor Performing Specifications



### Wall Specification†

High Performing Specifications

Poor Performing Specifications



\* Low Pitched Roof: KS1000 RW Panel with EcoSafe insulation core manufactured at Holywell, UK. Supported on cold rolled steel purlins and structural sections. Steel facings; generic organic coatings. Insulation 120mm core thickness.

† External Wall: KS1000 RW Panel with EcoSafe insulation core manufactured at Holywell, UK, vertically laid. Supported on cold rolled steel rails. Steel facings; generic organic coatings. Insulation 70mm core thickness. KS600/900/1000 AWP Panel with EcoSafe insulation core manufactured at Holywell horizontally laid. Supported on cold rolled steel rails and structural frame. Steel facings; generic organic coatings. Insulation 80mm core thickness.

**Figure 6:** Commercial cradle to grave diagrams for UK products in relation to 'The Green Guide to Specification' show Kingspan products in the highest performing category.

In the absence of a national framework for the definition and maintenance of standards for Environmental Product Declarations and Ecolabels in Australia and New Zealand for the purposes of context setting Figure 2 illustrates how Kingspan panels rate in the UK within the Building Research Establishment (BRE) 'Green Guide to Specification'. Kingspan panel systems achieve the highest possible A+ Classification.

The BRE Environmental Profiling process generates an Ecopoint score which is a method of presenting environmental data which cuts through the confusion of claims and counterclaims about the performance of building materials. These Ecopoint scores relate to the installed system and are used in the Green Guide to Specification to classify the system in rating bands of A+, A, B, C, D & E. These ratings provide designers with reliable and comparable environmental information about competing building materials, and give suppliers the opportunity to present credible environmental information about their products.

The benefits of BRE's Environmental Profiling Certification include independent, verified and audited performance according to an internationally recognised methodology; provision of data for achieving additional credits in BREEAM schemes; ability to input data for Envest 2 (design tool for optimising building environmental impact and whole life costs); and identification of areas for further improvement.