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EBC carbon sink certificate

General Data	ID of C-sink certificate = C-sink register ID	12PL00950031
	EBC ID	co-po-95
	EBC Batch ID	ba-po-95-1-1
	Production periode	25.06.21-24.06.22
	QR-Code of Biochar Batch Analysis	

Producer	OZEN Sp. o.o.
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Biomass	Type of biomass (EBC-class)	Primary forest product
	Total amount of biomass (dry matter) used for the certified batch	50300 t
	Emissions due to fertilization	0 t CO ₂ eq
	Transportation of biomass to pyrolysis site	263.97 t CO ₂ eq
	Preparation of feedstock	0.00 t CO ₂ eq
	Emissions for drying of feedstock	0 t CO ₂ eq
	Feedstock storage emissions	0 t CH ₄
	Total biomass related GHG emissions without CH₄ per batch	264.0 t CO₂eq

Pyrolysis	Source of electric energy used on site	renewable
	Emissions due to electricity consumption for entire pyrolysis plant incl. post pyrolysis treatment	0 t CO ₂ eq
	Emissions due to LPG and other external fuel for reactor heating	216 t CO ₂ eq
	Emissions due to carrier gas	0 t CO ₂ eq
	CH ₄ -emissions of pyrolysis unit	5.43 t CH ₄
	Total pyrolysis related GHG emissions without CH₄ per batch	216.0 t CO₂eq

Methane	Total methane emissions	5.43 t CH ₄
	Amount of compensated methane emissions	0 t CH ₄
	Type of methane compensation	-
	Total non compensated CH ₄ emissions per batch	5.43 t CH ₄
	Total non compensated CH₄ emissions in CO₂eq per batch (@ GWP20 of 86)	467.19 t CO₂eq

Margin of security	10% of total GHG emissions (incl. GWP20 of CH₄) per batch	94.7 t CO₂eq
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Total emissions	Total GHG emissions in CO₂eq per batch	1041.9 t CO₂eq
	Total GHG emissions in Ceq per ton of biochar (dry matter)	0.018 t C

Energy	Carbon neutral thermal energy per batch	106'968 MWh
	Carbon neutral electricity per batch	17'197 MWh

Biochar	Amount of biochar (DM) produced per certified batch	15706 t
	H/Corg ratio	0.33
	C-content	89.5 %
	C-sink potential	87.7% of DM

Data per ton of biochar	Total GHG emissions per t biochar (dry matter)	0.066 t CO ₂ eq
	CO ₂ eq-content per t of biochar (dry matter)	[gross C-sink] 3.28 t CO ₂ eq
	C-sink potential in tCO ₂ eq per t of biochar (dry matter)	[net C-sink] 3.22 t CO ₂ eq
	Csink₁₀₀ in tCO₂eq per t of biochar (dry matter)	[persistent C of the sink after 100 years when applied to soil @ P₁₀₀=74%]
		2.38 t CO₂eq

EBC Carbon Sink Certificate

Issued for Ozen SP, Walcz, Poland

The biochar batch **ba-pl-95-1-1** produced by **Ozen SP** has a carbon sink potential of **87.7 %**. Each ton of biochar from the certified batch has a carbon sink potential of **3.22 t CO₂eq**. When applied to soil, the accountable fraction of carbon persistent after 100 years (**C_{sink100}**) is **2.38 t CO₂eq**.

The carbon sink potential of 87.7% provides the percentage of a mass unit of biochar that, on a dry matter base, can be considered as a temporal carbon sink. For example, a big bag containing 150 kg biochar (dry matter) has a carbon sink potential of $(150 \text{ kg} * 87.7 \% C_S) = 131.6 \text{ kg C}$ which is the equivalent of 482 kg CO₂eq per bigbag.

The 131.6 kg carbon of a 1m³ big bag of biochar is the amount of carbon that can be considered a carbon sink once the biochar is applied to soil, to compost, to digestate, to animal feed or to any other durable product or protective matrix.

The production of 1 t of biochar (dry matter) caused emissions of 66 kg CO₂eq due to feedstock production, transportation, storage, preparation and operation of the pyrolysis plant and methane emissions during both biomass storage and the combustion of the pyrolysis gases. These emissions were deduced from the carbon sink value of the biochar.

The CO₂ emissions of the combustions of the pyrolysis gases used for energy production are considered as carbon neutral as the feedstock for the pyrolysis originated from forest management residues.

The CH₄ emissions of the pyrolysis unit were measured during regular operation by IChPW, a Polish government accredited organization. The woody feedstock is never stored longer than 30 days before drying to below 20% water content, therefore no CH₄-emissions due to self-heating were considered. All electricity used for the production was provided as renewable, carbon neutral energy by the production site itself.

Neither the carbon expenditures necessary to transport the biochar from the production site to the location of the final C-sink (via a merchant and/or processor) nor the carbon expenditures when manufacturing or blending the biochar into a carbon sink product are considered so far. These emissions must be deduced as soon as a C-sink certificate or an offset service is generated for an end customer based on this C-sink potential certificate. Equally, when applied to soil, only the carbon fraction that is persistent after 100 years (**C_{sink100}**) or any other EBC-defined sequestration period should be traded as C-sink certificate.

During the annual biochar production of the batch, an estimated 107.000 MWh thermal and 17.200 MWh electric energy will be generated from the biomass. As all GHG emissions of the entire process were deduced from the biochar carbon sink potential, this thermal energy is completely carbon neutral. However, the thermal energy used for drying the biomass is included in the total amount of thermal energy. The total certified amount of carbon neutral heat and electricity will be provided at the end of the batch.

The present ***EBC carbon sink potential certification*** is valid for the entire biochar batch produced between 25/6/2021 and 24/06/2022 and can be used for carbon sink certification and trade procedures.

The present EBC carbon sink potential certification was issued by the Ithaka Institute (Switzerland) on 17th November 2021.



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