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Volvo Cars
Limelight Steel
Atlas Commodities
Atlas Decommissioning
Maxion Wheels
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OneWorldStandards
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Part One

Rolling Out Version 2.0
14 Sep 2022

Today marks a pivotal moment in the path to sustainable, net zero steel

“ResponsibleSteel has developed the world’s first global standard for responsibly sourced and produced steel.”
Driving responsible production and sourcing of net zero steel

Core services
- ResponsibleSteel Standard
- ResponsibleSteel Assurance programme
- Multi-stakeholder forum to build trust and drive consensus

Build business value
- Steel producers find internal value from certification
- Customers specify ResponsibleSteel™
- Financial markets use ResponsibleSteel™
- NGOs, trade unions, influencers support ResponsibleSteel™
- Policy Initiatives + private sector → harmonised standards

Deliver Impact
- ResponsibleSteel™ certifications grow across in every country, driving up standards
- Responsible production and sourcing of net zero steel - globally
Civil Society Groups Applaud Launch of ResponsibleSteel’s International Standard V2.0
ResponsibleSteel V2.0 enables customers to specify certified steel levels

NB ResponsibleSteel certified steel requires at a minimum:
• Level 1 embodied GHG intensity
• Level 1 responsible sourcing

Beyond Level 1, the customer may specify higher levels on GHG intensity or responsible sourcing or both

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Steel Zero member commitments

By 2030, 50%+ steel procurement will be a combination of:
• Steel from producer with SBT or equivalent
• ResponsibleSteel certified steel or equivalent
• ‘Low(er) Embodied Carbon Steel’

Steel Zero consultation on these commitments following the release of V2.0
Starts with its members 26 October

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Claims guidance development
Now that the ResponsibleSteel International Standard V2.0 has been approved we are working to clarify what claims can be made once steel companies are audited against the additional requirements.

Currently, the ResponsibleSteel Standard V1.1 allows steel companies that have been audited against this standard to make certain claims (see our Claims and Logo Use Guidelines under Organisational Resources on the RS website).
Membership and Certified Site Mark Usage

Member and Associate Mark
The ResponsibleSteel Member and ResponsibleSteel Associate marks are used to recognise membership of ResponsibleSteel. These marks can be used at an organisation’s sites globally. The membership is not attributable to a specific site.
When promoting a member or associate of ResponsibleSteel the member or associate organisation name must be used.

Only to be used to recognise the membership of ResponsibleSteel. The marks can be used at any site owned and run by the member and can be used on an organisation’s collateral - both printed and digital.
Please see section 5.0 for usage examples.
Certified Site Mark

The certified site mark is used to recognise a site which has been audited against the ResponsibleSteel Standard and has met the necessary criteria to become a ResponsibleSteel certified site. This mark is attributable to a specific site and therefore can only be used at the specified certified site. It must not be used at any other location.

When promoting a site’s certification status, the specific site name must be referenced in all communications.

Only to be used to recognise the specific site at which the organisation has achieved ResponsibleSteel certification. This mark can be used by the certified site on collateral – both printed and digital, or by the member organisation to promote a certified site they operate. In this instance, the site name must be included alongside the mark.

Please see section 5.0 for usage examples.
The Claims Project will deliver the following outcomes:

- An evidence-based recommendation on the appropriacy of Claims (including the potential use of logos and labels) as vehicles to communicate steel certification;

- Proposed wording for ResponsibleSteel to use on the certificate(s) and guidance for companies to use in any claims based on the certificate. Developed to mitigate the risk of greenwashing allegations and damage to the ResponsibleSteel brand, particularly in relation to emerging regulations on this across jurisdictions, e.g. Australia, the EU etc. This wording will be checked by the ResponsibleSteel legal team;

- Production of a claims guidance toolkit for members to use to communicate on the updated standard and the claims that can be used to support it once audited against the additional requirements.
Timings

**October 30th**: Workshop at Members meeting in Memphis to get engagement and input from ResponsibleSteel members from the steel supply chain and civil society.

**November**: Small group online workshops to test suggested language and claims with interested members (invitations to be sent before the end of October).

**December/January 2023**: Development of and finalising narrative and toolkit for members with a clear outline on how to implement/use.
Certification update
So far, 48 sites have been certified across 10 countries covering 52 million tonnes production capacity
Certification Programme

Sites: 48  Volume: 52.2 mt  Workers: 76,300

- Aperam Stainless Europe (Belgium+France)
- ArcelorMittal Asturias, Spain
- ArcelorMittal Belgium
- ArcelorMittal Belval & Differdange, Germany
- ArcelorMittal Bremen, Germany
- ArcelorMittal Eisenhüttenstadt, Germany
- ArcelorMittal France North, France
- ArcelorMittal Mediterranee, France
- ArcelorMittal Tubarao, Brazil
- Big River Steel, USA
- BlueScope Australia
- voestalpine Linz, Austria
- ArcelorMittal Poland

Certified Sites

Volume (MMT)  Workforce size (thousand)  Nr. Of Sites

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Certification Programme

A growing programme:
- 12 certification processes are in the pipeline
- By the end of 2022, the programme is expected to cover:
  - >100 million tonnes
  - ~150 000 workers

To support site certification and steel certification audits:
- Training auditors – at least 2 workshops in Q4 2022
- Developing tools and templates to reflect the Standard Version 2.0
- Developing guidance – for suppliers of input materials

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Test phase
Focus on:
- replacement values, process gas and default embodied GHG values;
- auditable mechanism, thresholds for other input materials, plantation wood and excluded materials.

Early implementers are invited to engage and give feedback via assurance@responsiblesteel.org or your regular Secretariat contact.

Clarifications and interpretations will be provided when necessary. An urgent revision process may be invoked.

Members will be consulted on any significant changes and working groups might be established when necessary.
Test Phase

Certified Steel Certification:

- Certified sites can be audited against the additional requirements to earn certified steel certification.
- Non-certified sites can be audited against existing and additional requirements at the same time to earn certified steel certification.
- No certificates will be issued nor claims made until the Claims Guidance for 'certified steel' has been adopted.
Part Two

Looking ahead
Current Status:

• The performance levels and thresholds in the Standard V2.0 exclude sites specializing in the production of high alloy (>8%), stainless steels and upstream indirect (Scope 3) GHG emissions associated with the use of non-ferrous metal and ferro-alloys.

• A replacement value equivalent to the ResponsibleSteel level 1 performance threshold value for the primary production of steel from iron ore for the upstream indirect (Scope 3) GHG emissions for non-ferrous metals and ferro-alloy input materials to be used for accounting.

• Sites producing stainless and high alloy steels that contain less than 8% alloy content may apply for certification under the current thresholds.

• Eight working group meetings were held for SS with the last working group meeting held on June 15, 2022.
GHG, High Alloy Steel and Stainless Steel

Provisional default embodied GHG values for the following materials have been redacted from the Standard V2.0 due to notification received from data provider on licensing restrictions:

- Ferrous material: Iron Ore, Aluminum, Copper
- Alloys and metallic additive: Ferro-Silicon, Ferro-Vanadium, Lead, Magnesium, Manganese, Silico-Manganese, Silicon Metal, Tin Metal
- Auxiliary material: Argon, Burnt Dolomite, Burnt Lime, Crude Dolomite, Limestone
- Solid fuels: Coal
- Liquid fuels: Heavy oil, Kerosene, Light oil, LNG
- Gas fuels: Hydrogen, Natural Gas
The plan for GHG emissions, high alloy steel, and stainless steel:

- Redacted values for provisional embodied GHG values (Annexure 11 of the Standard V2.0);
- Roundtable with scrap-based secondary steel producers and chain of custody;
- High alloy and stainless steel working group;
- Review of downstream emissions.
Tackling the downstream chain of custody:

- Engaging closely with relevant stakeholders – downstream sites, steel users
- Member consultations
- Downstream GHG – first group of products
  - Working groups possibly established – let us know your interest
- Relevant stakeholders updated from Q1 next year (dates, timelines, meetings, etc.)
- Chain of Custody and Claims Guidance tested
Forum III
Forum III: Shaping the future of responsible steel

Sunday 30 October:

1400-1700: ResponsibleSteel Members Meeting.

Agenda to include: meet the ResponsibleSteel Board and team; launch of stainless, downstream and finance working groups; and an assurance update.

Two interactive sessions:

Focus on getting certified: members to share their experiences of certification.

Update on claims guidance: member consultation opportunity.

Drinks/Dinner
Forum III: Shaping the future of responsible steel

Monday 31 October: Forum III

Agenda covering: shaping the future of responsible steel; growing the demand for ResponsibleSteel certification; rolling out certification; Finance Hour; and stakeholders at the heart of ResponsibleSteel.

The day has been designed to include plenty of time for interactive discussion and Q&A.

Evening Dinner

Tuesday 1 November: BRS

Morning: site visit to Big River Steel.

For more info: lucas@responsiblesteel.org
Q&A

Member Webinar October 2022