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### Product

Private Office workstation

### **Functional Unit**

The functional unit is one square meter of floorspace, serving the function of providing office workstation for a 10-year period.

### **EPD Number and Period of Validity**

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### **Product Category Rule**

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Disclaimers: This EPD conforms to ISO 14025, 14040, 14044.

**Scope of Results Reported:** The PCR requirements limit the scope of the LCA metrics such that the results exclude environmental and social performance benchmarks and thresholds, and exclude impacts from the depletion of natural resources, land use ecological impacts, ocean impacts related to greenhouse gas emissions, risks from hazardous wastes and impacts linked to hazardous chemical emissions.

**Accuracy of Results:** Due to PCR constraints, this EPD provides estimations of potential impacts that are inherently limited in terms of accuracy.

**Comparability:** The PCR this EPD was based on was not written to support comparative assertions. EPDs based on different PCRs, or different calculation models, may not be comparable. When attempting to compare EPDs or life cycle impacts of products from different companies, the user should be aware of the uncertainty in the final results, due to and not limited to, the practitioner's assumptions, the source of the data used in the study, and the specifics of the product modeled.

### **About Innovant**

Since 1990, Innovant has been a pioneer in the design and manufacture of office furniture for the open plan work environment. Starting with our roots in the niche world of trading desk design and installation, Innovant has matured into a product and thought leader in collaborative furniture design, developing tailored workstation, conference, and private office solutions for some of the world's most prestigious corporate clients.

## **Product Specifications**

Innovant's Private Office case goods and desking are tailor made to create a broad array of private office configurations, which complement Innovant's benching and workstations in design, materials, and workmanship. The workstation includes an electric standing desk, with a power draw of 0.3 kW-hr (based on the desk being continuously adjusted for an hour, which is unlikely during normal use). The table below specifies the physical footprint of the Innovant Private Office. The Innovant Private Office seats one user at a time.

Table 1. Physical footprint of the Innovant Private Office, per workstation unit.

Physical Footprint	Innovant Private Office
Floor Space Area	3.74 m²
Worksurface Area	2.23 m²
Storage Volume	1.24 m³

## **Key Environmental Parameters**

**Table 2.** Key Environmental Parameters, over the life cycle of the Innovant Private Office, per functional unit.

Parameter	Innovant Private Office
Primary Energy Demand (MJ)	6,160
Recycled content	60%

# **Product Material Composition**

The primary materials include fiberboard, plywood, steel, aluminum, plastics, adhesives, stains, varnishes and paints, fabric, and electronical components from various suppliers. Packaging materials consist of plastic, plastic, corrugated board, paperboard, and lumber.

**Table 3.** Material content for the Innovant Private Office in kg per square meter and percent of total mass.

Material	kg/m²	Percent
Medium Density Fiberboard	80.2	72.1%
Steel	9.4	8.4%
Drawer boxes with slides (finished furniture)	6.1	5.5%
Veneer	5.1	4.6%
Stains, varnishes, and paints	4.1	3.7%
Adhesives	1.8	1.6%
Aluminum	1.8	1.6%
Electronical Components	1.3	1.2%
High Pressure Laminate	1.1	1.0%
Textile	0.2	0.1%
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC)	0.1	0.1%
Total Product	111	100%

**Table 4.** Material content for the Innovant Private Office Packaging in kg per square meter and percent of total mass.

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Material	kg/m²	Percent
Wood	18.8	80.0%
Corrugated/ paperboard	3.6	15.2%
Polyethylene (PE)	1.1	4.6%
Polypropylene (PP)	0.05	0.2%
Total Product	24	100%



## Life Cycle Assessment Overview

### **System Boundary**

The scope of the EPD is cradle-to-grave, including raw material extraction and processing, transportation, product manufacture, product delivery, installation and use, and product disposal. The life cycle phases included in the EPD scope are described below and illustrated in Figure 1.

- Raw Materials Processing (Sourcing/Extraction) This stage includes extraction of virgin materials and reclamation of non-virgin feedstock. Resource use and emissions associated with both extraction of the raw materials and product component manufacturing are included. The impacts associated with transport of the product component materials to the manufacturing facility are also included in this stage.
- Manufacturing This stage includes all the relevant manufacturing processes and flows, including the impacts from energy use, resource use and emissions at the manufacturing facility, and disposal of scrap data produced. Production of capital goods, infrastructure, manufacturing equipment, and personnel-related activities are not included. This stage also includes the production of the product packaging materials, as well as the production of finishing materials applied (stains, varnishes and paints). The products are manufactured at the Innovant facility in Islandia, New York (NY), utilizing primary data for annual production, resource use, electricity consumption and waste generation.
- Distribution, Installation and Use This stage includes delivery of the product to the point of installation (downstream transportation), and installation and use of the products. A weighted average transportation distance to the installation site of 413 miles (~664 km) was used. The impacts associated with packaging disposal are also included with the installation phase as per PCR requirements. Impacts associated with the installation and use of the products are negligible.
- Disposal stage The end-of-life stage includes demolition of the products, transport of the products to waste treatment facilities, waste processing and associated emissions as the product degrades in a landfill or is burned in an incinerator. Assumptions for the product and packaging end-of-life are based on the US EPA's disposal statistics for municipal solid waste (MSW) for 2018 (published 2020). Transportation for end-of-life scenarios was modeled using the EPA WARM model assumption of 20 miles (~32 km), from the point of product use to a landfill, material recovery center, or waste incinerator. Impacts associated with the demolition of the products are negligible.

# **Product Life Cycle Flow Diagram**

A flow diagram of the product system, including system boundaries, is provided in Figure 1.

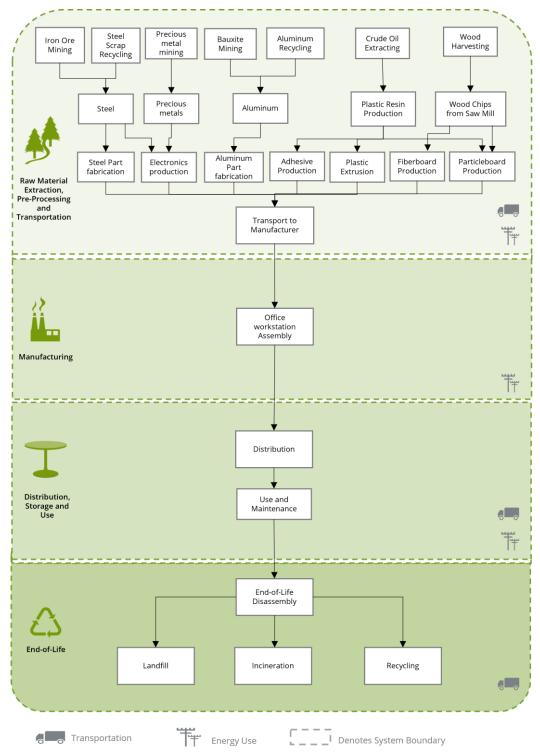


Figure 1. Flow diagram representing the major unit operations in the life cycle of the Innovant Private Office.

## Life Cycle Inventory and Environmental Parameters

The resource use and emissions from each step of the product life cycle are summed to obtain the life cycle inventory results. Table 5 summarizes the results for additional parameters (energy and net freshwater use) as specified in the PCR. The LCIA and inventory flow results were calculated using the OpenLCA v1.10.3 model and summarized for the functional unit from cradle-to-grave. Where necessary, the higher heating value is used for energy flow calculations.

Table 5. Energy use and net freshwater use for one (1) square meter of the Innovant Private Office over a 10-yr time horizon. Results

reported in MJ are calculated using higher heating values. All values are rounded to three significant digits.

Parameter	Raw Material	Manufacturing	Distribution	Disposal	Total
Primary Energy Demand	4170	1730	227	36.9	6160
(MJ)	67.7%	28.1%	3.68%	0.60%	100%
Renewable Primary Energy	1180	772	2.46	0.658	1958
(MJ)	60.4%	39.4%	0.126%	0.034%	100%
Non-renewable Primary Energy (MJ)	2980	956	224	36.3	4200
	71.0%	22.8%	5.34%	0.864%	100%
Net Fresh Water Use (kg)	2940	593	26.9	22.3	3590
	82.1%	16.5%	0.751%	0.622%	100%

## Life Cycle Impact Assessment

The LCA conforms to ISO 14040/44 and the PCR. The following impact indicators, specified by the PCR, are reported below:

TRACI 2.1 Impact Category	Unit
Global Warming Potential (GWP) – 100-year horizon	kg CO₂ eq
Global Warming Potential (GWP) – 20-year horizon	kg CO₂ eq
Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP)	kg CFC 11 eq
Acidification Potential (AP)	kg SO₂ eq
Eutrophication Potential (EP)	kg N eq
Smog Formation Potential (SFP)	kg O₃ eq

Results of the Life Cycle Assessment are presented below. It is noted that LCA results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks.

Table 6. Life Cycle Impact Assessment (LCIA) results for one (1) square meter of the Innovant Private Office over a 10-yr time horizon. All

values are rounded to three significant digits.

Impact Category	Raw Material	Manufacturing	Distribution	Disposal	Total
Global Warming Potential	189	51.4	15.5	10.8	267
(kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq) – 100yr	70.9%	19.3%	5.83%	4.06%	100%
Global Warming Potential	221	62.2	17.9	26.6	328
(kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq) – 20yr	67.4%	19.0%	5.45%	8.13%	100%
Acidification Potential	1.01	0.191	6.40x10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.33x10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.28
(kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq)	79.0%	14.9%	5.00%	1.04%	100%
Eutrophication Potential	0.770	9.94x10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.108	0.573	1.55
(kg N eq)	49.7%	6.41%	6.94%	37.0%	100%
Smog Formation Potential	13.3	2.79	1.55	0.33	18.0
(kg O₃ eq)	74.0%	15.5%	8.62%	1.82%	100%
Ozone Depletion Potential	2.04x10 <sup>-5</sup>	5.43×10 <sup>-6</sup>	3.25×10 <sup>-6</sup>	4.60×10 <sup>-7</sup>	2.95x10 <sup>-5</sup>
(kg CFC-11 eq)	69.0%	18.4%	11.0%	1.56%	100%

## **Supporting Technical Information**

#### Cut-off criteria

According to the PCR, processes contributing greater than 1% of the total environmental impact indicator for each impact are included in the inventory. No data gaps were allowed which were expected to significantly affect the outcome of the indicator results. There were no relevant datasets for the upstream production of a wool fabric component of the product, and it was thus excluded. As the wool fabric comprises less than 0.1% of the overall product weight, the impact of this exclusion is not significant. No other known flows are deliberately excluded from this EPD.

#### Period under review

The period of review is calendar year 2021.

### Allocation

Manufacturing resource use was allocated to the products based on product weight. Impacts from transportation were allocated based on the mass of material and distance transported.

The product system includes some recycled materials, which were allocated using the recycled content allocation method (also known as the 100-0 cut-off method). Using the recycled content allocation approach, system inputs with recycled content do not receive any burden from the previous life cycle other than reprocessing of the waste material. At end-oflife, materials which are recycled leave the system boundaries with no additional burden.

#### **Estimates and Assumptions**

- For end-of-life, disposal of the product and product packaging is modeled based on 2018 statistics (published 2020) for municipal solid waste generation and disposal in the United States, from the US Environmental Protection Agency. These data provide recycling rate estimates for household and municipal waste, durable and non-durable goods, as well as for packaging and containers.
- For final disposal of the product and packaging materials at end-of-life, all materials are assumed to be transported 20 miles by diesel truck to either a landfill, incineration facility, or material reclamation facility (for recycling). Datasets representing disposal in a landfill and waste incineration are from Ecoinvent.

- Modeling of recycled materials follows the recycled content method (also known as 100-0 method or cut-off method) whereby only the burdens of reprocessing the waste material are allocated to the system from the use of the recycled material.
- Electricity and resource use at the production facility was allocated to the Innovant Private Office based on weight utilizing annual utilities data for calendar year 2021 provided by the manufacturer.
- The Islandia, NY, facility is located in the EPA eGRID NYLI sub-region. An Ecoinvent inventory dataset was modified to reflect the eGRID energy mix for NYLI to estimate resource use and emissions from electricity use at the facility.
- Primary data for upstream component fabrication were not available. Representative LCI datasets from the Ecoinvent database were used to model processing for fiberboard, finished furniture, steel, aluminum, plastic, materials components and electronical components.
- For some electronical components, there were no datasets which provided exact matches. Reasonable estimates for the component parts were made and modelled using existing Ecoinvent datasets.
- The high-pressure laminate components were modelled based on component parts of the material. Processing and energy requirements were modelled using a proxy Ecoinvent dataset for melamine impregnated paper production.
- Stains, varnishes, and paints were modelled as component chemicals based on data provided in material safety data sheets.
- There are some trace formaldehyde emissions from fiberboards during the use phase of the workstations. However, these trace emissions were not modelled as they are not expected to be significant.

It should also be noted that LCIA results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins or risks.

The PCR allows for the results for several inventory flows related to construction products to be reported as "other parameters". These are aggregated inventory flows, and do not characterize any potential impact; results should be interpreted considering this limitation.

### **Background Data**

Primary data were provided by Innovant for the Islandia, NY, manufacturing facility. The sources of secondary LCI data are the Ecoinvent database.

**Table 7.** Data sources for the Private Office product system.

Component	Dataset	Data Source	Publication Date
PRODUCT			
Fiberboard			
MDF	medium density fibreboard production, uncoated   medium density fibreboard   Cutoff, U – RoW;	El v3.8	2021
Veneer			
Veneer	hardwood forestry, oak, sustainable forest management   sawlog and veneer log, hardwood, measured as solid wood under bark   Cutoff, U - RoW	EI v3.8	2021
Wooden Furniture			
Drawers and slides	furniture production, wooden   furniture, wooden   Cutoff, U - GLO	El v3.8	2021
Steel			
Steel sheet	market for steel, low-alloyed   steel, low-alloyed   Cutoff, U – GLO   market for sheet rolling, steel   sheet rolling, steel   Cutoff, U - GLO	El v3.8	2021
Steel tubing, hardware	market for steel, low-alloyed   steel, low-alloyed   Cutoff, U – GLO   market for metal working, average for steel product manufacturing   metal working, average for steel product manufacturing   Cutoff, U - GLO		
Aluminum			
Aluminum Z clip	market for metal working, average for aluminium product manufacturing   metal working, average for aluminium product manufacturing   Cutoff, U – GLO   market for metal working, average for aluminium product manufacturing   metal working, average for aluminium product manufacturing   Cutoff, U - GLO	El v3.8	2021
Aluminum bar	market for aluminium, primary, ingot   aluminium, primary, ingot   Cutoff, U - IAI Area, North America   market for aluminium scrap, new   aluminium scrap, new   Cutoff, U - RoW   market for metal working, average for aluminium product manufacturing   metal working, average for aluminium product manufacturing   Cutoff, U - GLO	El v3.8	2021
High Pressure Laminate			
Kraft Paper	market for kraft paper   kraft paper   Cutoff, U – RoW   melamine impregnated paper production   paper, melamine impregnated   Cutoff, U – RoW (Energy requirements only)	El v3.8	2021
Phenolic resin	market for phenolic resin   phenolic resin   Cutoff, U – RoW	El v3.8	2021
Polyester resin	market for polyester resin, unsaturated   polyester resin, unsaturated   Cutoff, U - RoW	El v3.8	2021
Electronical Components			
Lifting kit	market for steel, low-alloyed   steel, low-alloyed   Cutoff, U – GLO   market for metal working, average for steel product manufacturing   metal working, average for steel product manufacturing   Cutoff, U – GLO market for acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene copolymer   acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene copolymer   Cutoff, U – GLO   market for injection moulding   injection moulding   Cutoff, U – GLO market for electronics, for control units   electronics, for control units   Cutoff, U - GLO	EI v3.8	2021
Power center, accessories and power strip	market for acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene copolymer   acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene copolymer   Cutoff, U – GLO   market for injection moulding   injection moulding   Cutoff, U – GLO market for aluminium, primary, ingot   aluminium, primary, ingot   Cutoff, U - IAI Area, North America   market for aluminium scrap, new   aluminium scrap, new   Cutoff, U - RoW   market for metal working, average for aluminium product manufacturing   metal working, average for aluminium product manufacturing   Cutoff, U – GLO	EI v3.8	2021

Component	Dataset	Data Source	Publication Date
	market for steel, chromium steel 18/8   steel, chromium steel 18/8   Cutoff, U – GLO   market for metal working, average for chromium steel product manufacturing   metal working, average for chromium steel product manufacturing   Cutoff, U - GLO market for powder coat, aluminium sheet   powder coat, aluminium sheet   Cutoff, U – GLO market for powder coat, steel   powder coat, steel   Cutoff, U – GLO market for anodising, aluminium sheet   anodising, aluminium sheet   Cutoff, U - GLO market for cable, unspecified   cable, unspecified   Cutoff, U – GLO market for power supply unit, desktop computer, Pb free   printed wiring board, for power supply unit, desktop computer, Pb free   Cutoff, U - GLO		
Plastics			
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC)	market for polyvinylchloride, suspension polymerised   polyvinylchloride, suspension polymerised   Cutoff, U – GLO   extrusion, plastic pipes   extrusion, plastic pipes   Cutoff, U - RoW	EI v3.8	2021
Textile			
Polyester fabric	textile production, non woven polyester, needle punched   textile, non-woven polyester   Cutoff, U – RoW   market for bleaching and dyeing, yarn   bleaching and dyeing, yarn   Cutoff, U – GLO	El v3.8	2021
Finishing materials			
Stains, varnishes and paints	market for butyl acetate   butyl acetate   Cutoff, U - RoW market for toluene diisocyanate   toluene diisocyanate   Cutoff, U - RoW market for chemical, organic   chemical, organic   Cutoff, U - GLO market for toluene, liquid   toluene, liquid   Cutoff, U - RoW market for isobutyl acetate   isobutyl acetate   Cutoff, U - GLO market for methyl ethyl ketone   methyl ethyl ketone   Cutoff, U - RoW market for ethanol, without water, in 99.7% solution state, from ethylene   ethanol, without water, in 99.7% solution state, from ethylene   Cutoff, U - RoW market for ethyl benzene   ethyl benzene   Cutoff, U - RoW market for naphtha   naphtha   Cutoff, U - RoW market for solvent, organic   solvent, organic   Cutoff, U - GLO market for silicon, metallurgical grade   silicon, metallurgical grade   Cutoff, U - GLO	El v3.8	2021
Powder coat	coating powder production   coating powder   Cutoff, U - RoW	El v3.8	2021
PACKAGING			
Wood	EUR-flat pallet production   EUR-flat pallet   Cutoff, U - RoW	El v3.8	2021
Corrugated box	corrugated board box production   corrugated board box   Cutoff, U - RoW	El v3.8	2021
Cornerboard	white lined chipboard carton production $\mid$ white lined chipboard carton $\mid$ Cutoff, U - RoW	El v3.8	2021
Packaging plastic	packaging film production, low density polyethylene   packaging film, low density polyethylene   Cutoff, U - RoW	El v3.8	2021
Polypropylene foam	market for polypropylene, granulate   polypropylene, granulate   Cutoff, U - GLO	El v3.8	2021
RESOURCES			
Grid electricity	Electricity, medium voltage, per kWh – NYLI subregion	EI v3.8; eGRID	2021; 2018
Natural gas	heat production, natural gas, at boiler modulating >100kW   heat, district or industrial, natural gas   Cutoff, U - RoW	El v3.8	2021
Propane	market for propane   propane   Cutoff, U - GLO	El v3.8	2021
Argon	market for argon, liquid   argon, liquid   Cutoff, U - RoW	El v3.8	2021
TRANSPORTATION	market for transport, freight lorge 16.22 metric ton EUDOA I transport, freight lorge		
Road transport	market for transport, freight, lorry 16-32 metric ton, EURO4   transport, freight, lorry 16-32 metric ton, EURO4   Cutoff, U - RoW	EI v3.8	2021

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### **Data Quality**

The data quality assessment addressed the following parameters: time-related coverage, geographical coverage, technological coverage, precision, completeness, representativeness, consistency, reproducibility, sources of data, and uncertainty.

**Table 8.** Data quality assessment for the Innovant Private Office.

Data Quality Parameter	Data Quality Discussion
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<b>Time-Related Coverage:</b> Age of data and the minimum length of time over which data is collected	The most recent available data are used, based on other considerations such as data quality and similarity to the actual operations. Typically, these data are less than 5 years old (typically 2017). All of the data used represented an average of at least one year's worth of data collection, and up to three years in some cases. Manufacturer-supplied data (primary data) are based on annual production for 2021.
Geographical Coverage: Geographical area from which data for unit processes is collected to satisfy the goal of the study	The data used in the analysis provide the best possible representation available with current data. Electricity use for product manufacture is modeled using representative data for the US. Surrogate data used in the assessment are representative of global or European operations. Data representative of European operations are considered sufficiently similar to actual processes. Data representing product disposal are based on US statistics.
<b>Technology Coverage:</b> Specific technology or technology mix	For the most part, data are representative of the actual technologies used for processing, transportation, and manufacturing operations. Representative fabrication datasets, specific to the type of material, are used to represent the actual processes, as appropriate. Some component electronical parts were not available in databases. Assumptions for component breakdown was provided, and representative datasets were used to represent similar electronical functions.
<b>Precision:</b> Measure of the variability of the data values for each data expressed	Precision of results are not quantified due to a lack of data. Data collected for operations were typically averaged for one or more years and over multiple operations, which is expected to reduce the variability of results.
Completeness: Percentage of flow that is measured or estimated	The LCA model included all known mass and energy flows for production of the products. In some instances, surrogate data used to represent upstream and downstream operations may be missing some data which is propagated in the model. No known processes or activities contributing to more than 1% of the total environmental impact for each indicator are excluded.
Representativeness: Qualitative assessment of the degree to which the data set reflects the true population of interest	Data used in the assessment represent typical or average processes as currently reported from multiple data sources and are therefore generally representative of the range of actual processes and technologies for production of these materials. Considerable deviation may exist among actual processes on a site-specific basis; however, such a determination would require detailed data collection throughout the supply chain back to resource extraction.
Consistency: Qualitative assessment of whether the study methodology is applied uniformly to the various components of the analysis	The consistency of the assessment is considered to be high. Data sources of similar quality and age are used; with a bias towards Ecoinvent v3.8 data where available. Different portions of the product life cycle are equally considered.
Reproducibility: Qualitative assessment of the extent to which information about the methodology and data values would allow an independent practitioner to reproduce the results reported in the study	All assumptions, models, and data sources are documented. However, as the life cycle inventory has not been included, there is limited reproducibility.
Sources of the Data:  Description of all primary and secondary data sources	Data representing energy use at Innovant's manufacturing facility represents an annual average and are considered of high quality due to the length of time over which these data are collected, as compared to a snapshot that may not accurately reflect fluctuations in production. For secondary LCI data, Ecoinvent v3.8 LCI data are used.
Uncertainty of the Information: Uncertainty related to data, models, and assumptions	Uncertainty related to materials in the products and packaging is low. Actual supplier data for upstream operations were not available and the study relied upon the use of existing representative datasets. These datasets contained relatively recent data (<10 years) but lacked geographical representativeness. Uncertainty related to the manufacturing stage data is high as the precise data on the energy and resource use could not be gathered, and mass-based allocation was necessary. Uncertainty related to the impact assessment methods used in the study are high. The impact assessment method required by the PCR includes impact potentials, which lack characterization of providing and receiving environments or tipping points.

### Additional Environmental Information



Innovant supports a healthy indoor environment through emissions testing. Innovant Private Office is certified Indoor Advantage™ Gold, qualify for LEED lowemitting materials credits, comply with ANSI/BIFMA X7.1/M7.1, and meet CA 01350 air emissions requirements.



Innovant Private Office has a health product declaration (HPD) with 3<sup>rd</sup> party verification by SCS Global Services, following Version 2.1.1 (July 2, 2018). Products have a complete, basic method, product threshold HPD and have been validated for health hazard warnings using full disclosure at an inventory threshold of 1000 ppm (0.1%) with HPDC Special Conditions applied, Biological Material, Electronics.



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