

**Greenhouse Gas Verification Statement Number  
CCP241061/1/2016/06/2017**

Interface Cool Carpet™ Program for modelling and off-setting the life cycle greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions of carpet as developed by

**Interface, Inc.**

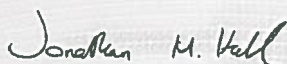
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Has been verified against the requirements of the GHG Protocol Product Life Cycle Accounting and Reporting Standard for the GHG assertion covering the fiscal year, January 2016 to December 2016

**For the following activities**

The modelling and estimation of GHG emissions associated with the full life cycle of the Cool Carpet™ program, accounting for the total sales of carpet under this program, and offsetting of the GHG emissions through the retirement of an equivalent number of verified emission reduction credits.

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**Verification Statement Date 19/06/2017**

This Statement is not valid without the full verification scope, objectives, criteria and conclusion available on pages 2 to 4 of this Statement.



**Schedule Accompanying Greenhouse Gas Verification Statement  
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**Brief Description of Verification Process**

SGS has been contracted by Interface, Inc., for a tenth periodic verification of its Cool Carpet™ program for the modelling and offsetting of the life cycle greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions of carpet for the period covering January 2016 to December 2016 in accordance with the principles of relevance, completeness, consistency, accuracy, and transparency as provided in their GHG Assertion.

**Roles and responsibilities**

The management of Interface, Inc. is responsible for the organization's GHG information system, the development and maintenance of records and reporting procedures in accordance with that system, including the calculation and determination of GHG emissions information and the reported GHG emissions.

It is SGS' responsibility to express an independent verification opinion on the emissions and information provided in the Interface, Inc. GHG Assertion for the period January 2016 to December 2016.

SGS conducted a third party verification of the provided GHG assertion against the principles of relevance, completeness, consistency, accuracy, and transparency, with regard to Interface's Cool Carpet™ program. The verification includes the modelling and estimating of GHG emissions associated with the full life cycle of its carpet, and then offsetting those emissions through the retirement of an equivalent number of verified emission reduction credits.

The verification was based on the verification scope, objectives and criteria as agreed between Interface, Inc. and SGS on 30.01.2017.

**Statement of Independence and Competence**

The SGS Group of companies is the world leader in inspection, testing and verification, operating in more than 140 countries and providing services including management systems and service certification; quality, environmental, social and ethical auditing; sustainability report assurance and greenhouse gases verification. SGS affirms our independence from Interface Inc., being free from bias and conflicts of interest with the organization, its subsidiaries and stakeholders.

The assurance team was assembled based on their knowledge, experience and qualifications for this assignment, and comprised Lead Verifiers in Greenhouse Gases.

**Level of Assurance**

The verification was carried out to a reasonable level of assurance for the following locations:

Interface US, Interface Canada, Interface Brazil, Interface Thailand, Interface China and Interface Europe

**Scope**

Interface, Inc. has commissioned an independent verification by SGS of reported CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions arising from the Cool Carpet™ Program, to establish conformance with the the principles of relevance, completeness, consistency, accuracy, and transparency within the scope of the verification as outlined below.

**Title or description of activities**

The scope of this engagement covers the assessment of the GHG systems boundary selected for the 2016 Interface Cool Carpet™ program production and covers the "cradle to grave" GHG emission sources for the upstream and downstream Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) of the manufacturing activities for the

production of carpet.

The LCA carried out by Interface models and estimates GHG emissions, using hypothetical and actual historic data for the systems' boundaries included in the carpet manufacturing process listed below:

- Raw materials
- Processing of materials
- Transportation of raw and processed materials
- Internal transportation of materials
- Manufacture of carpet product
- Transportation of finished product
- Manufacture of packaging materials
- Use of product (installation and maintenance)
- Product End-of-Life

Location/boundary of the activities: The business units listed below:

1. Interface US, LaGrange, Georgia, USA
2. Interface Canada, Belleville, Ontario, Canada
3. Interface Thailand, Chonburi, Thailand
4. Interface Europe, Northern Ireland and the Netherlands
5. Interface China

GHG sources, sinks and/or reservoirs included as presented in the LCA provided by Interface, Inc.

Types of GHGs included: CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, HFCs, PFCs, SF<sub>6</sub> and NF<sub>3</sub>

Directed actions: None

Intended user of the Verification Statement: Interface management, staff, and other stakeholders.

#### Objective

The purposes of this verification exercise are, by review of objective evidence, to independently review:

- Whether the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions are as declared by the organization's CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent assertion
- That the data reported are accurate, complete, consistent, transparent and free of material error or omission.

#### Criteria

Criteria against which the verification assessment is undertaken is the requirements of the GHG Protocol Product Life Cycle Accounting and Reporting Standard. The validity of emission reduction credits were confirmed by checking the registry details for individual projects. SGS did not re-assess individual projects.

#### Materiality

The materiality required of the verification was considered by SGS to be below 5%, based on the needs of the intended user of the GHG Assertion

#### Conclusion

Interface Inc. provided the GHG assertion for the period January 2016 to December 2016, disclosing a product carbon footprint of 11.23 kg CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent per m<sup>2</sup> and gross emissions of **277,637** metric tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent are verified by SGS to a reasonable level of assurance, consistent with the agreed verification scope, objectives and criteria. SGS' approach is risk-based, drawing on an understanding of the risks associated with modeling GHG emission information and the controls in place to mitigate these risks. Our examination included assessment, on a sample basis, of evidence relevant to the voluntary reporting of emission information.

SGS concludes with reasonable assurance that the presented CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent assertion is materially correct and is a fair representation of the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent data and information, and is prepared following the principles of relevance, completeness, consistency, accuracy, and transparency.

The version of the calculation tool verified is "GaBi compilation 7.2.1.12 and database version 6.115".

It is noted that a market-based approach was used to calculate scope 2 emissions from electricity which is aligned with the GHG Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard. While there is currently no formal GHG protocol standard for using financial instruments in the calculation of scope 1 emissions, Interface Inc employed environmental attributes from financial instruments in the calculation of scope 1 emissions from thermal energy.

We planned and performed our work to obtain the information, explanations and evidence that we considered necessary to provide a reasonable level of assurance that the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions for the period January 2016 to December 2016 are fairly stated.

We conducted our verification with regard to the GHG assertion of Interface, Inc. which included assessment of the GHG information system and the monitoring and reporting plan/protocol. This assessment included the collection of evidence supporting the reported data, and checking whether the provisions of the methodology reference, were consistently and appropriately applied.

This statement shall be interpreted with the GHG assertion of Interface, Inc. Cool Carpet™ Program as a whole.

**Note:** This Statement is issued, on behalf of Client, by SGS United Kingdom Ltd, Rossmore Business Park, Inward Way, Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, CH65 3EN ("SGS") under its General Conditions for GHG Validation and Verification Services. The findings recorded hereon are based upon an audit performed by SGS. A full copy of this statement and the supporting GHG Assertion may be consulted at **Interface, Inc. 2859 Paces Ferry Road, Suite 2000 Atlanta, GA 30339**. This Statement does not relieve Client from compliance with any bylaws, federal, national or regional acts and regulations or with any guidelines issued pursuant to such regulations. Stipulations to the contrary are not binding on SGS and SGS shall have no responsibility vis-à-vis parties other than its Client.