## DETEX CORPORATION EAX-2500 EXIT ALARM







Detex Corporation has its origins in a predecessor company established in the 1870's to manufacture and sell stationary watchlocks. Through a series of changes Detex has become a world-class manufacturer and distributor of a variety of products that assure the life safety and security objectives of our customers.

Since the 1870's Detex Corporation has seen a lot of changes. Back then few knew what sustainability was or considered the environmental impacts of the products they bought. However, today is different.

Today we believe that our customer's requests for increased sustainability and transparency is an essential evolution of the marketplace. As such we have begun to evaluate the full life cycle impacts of all our products so that we can reduce the environmental footprint necessary to keep our customer's buildings secure. We have reduced energy, water and waste and are moving towards full transparency with the release of EPDs for all our major products.





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address the site-specific environmental impacts of raw material extraction, nor are they meant to assess human health toxicity. EPDs can complement but cannot replace tools and certifications that are designed to address these impacts and/or set performance thresholds – e.g. Type 1 certifications, health assessments and declarations, environmental impact assessments, etc. <u>Accuracy of Results</u>: EPDs regularly rely on estimations of impacts, and the level of accuracy in estimation of effect differs for any particular product line and reported impact. <u>Comparability</u>: EPDs are not comparative assertions and are either not comparable or have limited comparability when they cover different life cycle stages, are based on different product category rules or are missing relevant environmental impacts. EPDs from different programs may not be comparable.

PROGRAM OPERATOR	UL Environment								
DECLARATION HOLDER	Detex Corporation	Detex Corporation							
DECLARATION NUMBER	787800900.102.1								
DECLARED PRODUCT	EAX-2500 Exit Alarm								
REFERENCE PCR	Product Category Rule (PCR) for pre (EPD) for Product Group, Builders H	eparing an Environmental Product Declaration ardware UL9004. Version: April 3rd, 2014.							
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PERIOD OF VALIDITY	5 Years								
	Product definition and information ab	out building physics							
	Information about basic material and the material's origin								
	Description of the product's manufacture								
CONTENTS OF THE	Indication of product processing								
DECLARATION	Information about the in-use conditio	ns							
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### **Product Description**

#### Company

Detex Corporation is a world-class manufacturer and distributor of products that protect people, secure property, and assure the life safety and security objectives of our customers. We strive to create the highest customer value in our worldwide markets while obtaining the highest possible return for our other stakeholders.

For more than a century, Detex has earned the trust of architects and owners who rely on Detex products for the safety and security of people and property. A USA company, Detex designs, manufactures, markets and ships products around the world from New Braunfels, Texas. Detex is known internationally for life safety and security door hardware, loss prevention and architectural hardware, integrated door security systems, and guard tour verification.

#### Product

The EAX-2500 is similar to the EAX-500 and EAX-300 but is designed for applications requiring a hardwired AC/DC powered alarm on secure doors. The alarm, with approximately 100dBa, will sound when someone attempts an unauthorized exit. The EAX-2500, with its smaller size and designed to fit in a standard 4"x4" outlet box makes it the choice for quick and easy installations on emergency exit and restricted doors.

#### **Product Characterization**

The product is provided to the customer through a fax, phone or email ordering system. The product is shipped directly to customers in packaging material that includes cardboard box, shipping labels and plastic materials. The amount of packaging materials is dependent on the size of the customer's order. Installation instructional sheets are provided. Accessory materials, such as installation screws are provided with the product.

#### **Technical Information**

The declared unit is one unit designed to fit a 3' (36") door.





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#### Application

#### General Standards:

1. ANSI/BHMA A156.29

#### **Base Materials**

The following is a summary of the base materials in the products.

	EAX 2500
Steel	25%
Electrical	35%
Brass	30%
Plastics	6%
Others	<5%
Total	100%

#### Manufacturing

Production occurs at Detex Corporation's manufacturing facility in New Braunfels, TX. Production begins when raw materials are received from suppliers. Electrical components are assembled onto boards through an automated process. Non-electrical components, such as steel, aluminum and plastic parts, are selected, cut to specification, finished and assembled to create the body of the product. Assembly may occur by manual or electrical means depending on the part. Final Assembly is the next stage in the process. In Final Assembly electrical boards and wires (if applicable) are installed inside the body of the product, along with other non-electrical parts. The body is then closed using another piece of steel or aluminum (depending on the model or product) and affixed with screws.

Products are then tested to assure functionality. Once products pass the functionality testing they are packaged and prepared for shipping. Standard carriers ship individual or small bulk orders separately. Large orders may be palletized.

#### **Environment and Health During Manufacturing**

Detex Corporation meets all federal and state standards related to the Environment and Health during manufacturing. Additionally, Detex employs a strict waste minimization and recycling program that reduces and recycles waste produced in the manufacturing process.

#### Packaging

Packaging is dependent on the size of the customer's order. Packaging typically includes cardboard, paper packing list and plastic protective sleeves. Woden pallet skids are utilized when customer order is large enough to warrant its use. All materials are recyclable at the site of installation.

#### Product Installation

Detailed installation instructions are provided with the product. These instructions can also be found at http://www.detex.com/ . Accessory materials, such as screws and a mounting template are required and provided with the product. A power drill is recommended. Packaging waste is generated and disposed of in this stage.



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#### **Environment and Health During Use**

There are no environment and health considerations during use.

#### **Re-use Stage**

Products can be deconstructed. The majority of steel, aluminium and plastic parts can be recycled. Electronic components should be disposed of appropriatly.

#### Disposal

Although Detex recommends that products are recycled at the end of their useful life, EAX products can be disposed of in common municipal landfills without additional requirements.

### Life Cycle Assessment

#### **Declared Unit**

	EAX2500	Unit
Weight per Declared		
Unit, excluding	.356	Kg
Fasteners (pieces x weight/piece)	.028	Kg
Declared Unit	.384	Kg





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#### **System Boundary**

According to table 3 of the PCR, a LCA for products in which a functional life is not declared can be one of three options. These options include a Cradle to Shipping Gate LCA, a Cradle to Building LCA or a Cradle to Building-with EOL stage LCA.

This particular LCA is a Cradle to Grave study.

A summary of the life cycle stages included in this LCA is presented in the following table.

Module Name	Description	Summary of Included Elements
A1	Product Stage: Raw Material Supply	Raw Material sourcing and processing as defined by secondary data.
A2	Product Stage: Transport	Shipping from supplier to manufacturing site. Fuel use requirements estimated based on product weights and mapped distance.
A3	Product Stage: Manufacturing	Energy, water and material inputs required for manufacturing gasketing and thresholds from raw materials. Packaging Materials included as well.
A4	Construction Process Stage: Transport	Shipping from manufacturing site to project site. Fuel use requirements estimated based on product weights and mapped distance.
		Installation and packaging material waste.
A5	Construction Process Stage: Installation	For electronic versions of products that use a battery, this stage includes the use and replacement for a single 9 V battery. It is assumed that the battery is replaced once a yaer.
B1	Use Stage: Use	Module Not Declared
B2	Use Stage: Maintenance	Module Not Declared
В3	Use Stage: Repair	Module Not Declared
B4	Use Stage: Replacement	Module Not Declared
B5	Use Stage: Refurbishment	Module Not Declared
B6	Operational Energy Use	Decalred for products with option to be hardwired.
В7	Operational Water Use	Water not required for use.
C1	EOL: Deconstruction	No inputs required for deconstruction.
C2	EOL: Transport	Shipping from project site to landfill. Fuel use requirements estimated based on product weight and mapped distance.
C3	EOL: Waste Processing	Waste processing not required. All waste can be processed as is.
C4	EOL: Disposal	Assumes all products are sent to landfill. Landfill impacts modeled based on secondary data.
D	Benefits beyond system	Recycling potential of steel materials.





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#### **Estimates and Assumptions**

The electrical requirements of the power drill used during installation were excluded. Data of sufficient quality was not available since the power drill is used intermittently during installation. However, in relation to the electrical requirements of the production and use stages the electrical requirement of the power drill is below the 1% energy cut-off threshold.

All products are considered landfilled at end of life. While recycling is an option, the choice of landfilling represents a conservative estimation of the end of life pathway in lieu of having actual verifiable data of end of life recycling.

The inclusion of overhead energy, water and waste data was determined appropriate due to limited sub-metering energy tracking systems.

#### **Cut-off Criteria**

All inputs in which data were available were included.

Material inputs greater than 1% (based on the total mass of the final product) were included within the scope of analysis. Material inputs less than 1% were included if sufficient data was available to warrant inclusion and/or the material input was thought to have significant environmental impact. Cumulative excluded material inputs and environmental impacts are less than 5% based on the total weight of the declared unit.

No hazardous and toxic releases, which are mandatory to be monitored and reported to the U.S TRI, are released from the facility.

#### **Background Data**

All background data was sourced from GaBi databases. GaBi version 6.4.1.20 was used to complete the assessment.

#### **Data Quality**

#### Geographical Coverage

The geographical scope of the manufacturing portion of the life cycle is New Braunfels, TX. Primary data were collected from this location. The geographic coverage of primary data is considered excellent.

The geographical scope of the raw material acquisition, customer distribution, site installation and use portions of the life cycle is the United States of America. Locations and shipping distance values were determined through the analysis of purchasing and sales data using GIS mapping software. This data is considered very good.

Disposal and end-of-life geographic coverage (i.e. site of disposal location) was assumed based on research relating to the average distance an American lives from a landfill. This data is considered good.

#### Time Coverage

Primary data were provided by Detex Corporation associates and represent calendar year 2014. Calendar year 2014 was the most recently completed 12-month period year at the beginning of the study. Using 2014 data meets the PCR requirements that manufacturer specific data be within the last 5 years. Time coverage of this data is considered very good.

Data necessary to model cradle-to-gate unit processes was sourced from PE International LCI datasets. Time coverage of the GaBi datasets varies from approximately 2002 to present. All datasets use at least 1-year of data to average energy inputs. Overall time coverage of the datasets is considered good and meets the requirement of the PCR that all data be updated within a 10-year period.





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#### Technological Coverage

Primary data provided by Detex Corporation is specific to the technology that the company uses in manufacturing their product. It is site specific and considered of good quality. It is worth noting that the energy and water used in manufacturing the product includes overhead energy such as lighting, heating and sanitary use of water. Sub-metering was not available to extract process only energy and water use from the total energy use. Sub-metering would improve the technological coverage of data quality.

Data necessary to model cradle-to-gate unit processes was sourced from GaBi LCI datasets. Technological coverage of the datasets is considered good relative to the actual supply chain of Detex Corporation While improved life cycle data from suppliers would improve technological coverage, the use of lower quality generic datasets does meet the goal of this LCA.

#### **Allocation Procedures**

General principles of allocation were based on ISO14044. Where possible allocation was avoided. When allocation was necessary it was done on a physical mass basis.

#### **LCA Results**

The following tables disclose the life cycle results for Detex Corporation's EAX2500 line of products. Impact categories were determined through reference to the BHMA Product Category Rules for Builder Hardware (UL9004).





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#### **TRACI 2.1**

	EAX 2500, TRACI 2.1												
Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2-B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Global Warming Air, incl. biogenic carbon	[kg CO2- Equiv.]	5.46E+01	1.97E-01	8.28E-01	0.00E+0 0	MND	4.95E +02	0.00E +00	MND	1.77E-03	MND	4.48E- 03	-1.08E-01
Ozone Depletion Air	[kg CFC 11- Equiv.]	3.17E-08	1.70E-12	2.19E-12	0.00E+0 0	MND	5.06E- 09	0.00E +00	MND	1.52E-14	MND	7.13E- 14	3.80E-09
Acidification	[kg SO2- Equiv.]	2.22E-01	8.23E-04	6.22E-04	0.00E+0 0	MND	4.27E +00	0.00E +00	MND	7.37E-06	MND	2.02E- 05	-2.61E-04
Eutrophication	[kg N-Equiv.]	9.20E-03	8.00E-05	2.89E-04	0.00E+0 0	MND	6.05E- 02	0.00E +00	MND	7.17E-07	MND	1.43E- 06	-1.72E-06
Smog Air	[kg O3- Equiv.]	1.92E+00	2.57E-02	6.43E-03	0.00E+0 0	MND	3.34E +01	0.00E +00	MND	2.30E-04	MND	4.80E- 04	-2.45E-03
Abiotic Depletion for fossil resources	[MJ surplus energy]	5.72E+01	3.68E-01	9.86E-02	0.00E+0 0	MND	3.01E +02	0.00E +00	MND	3.30E-03	MND	8.65E- 03	1.73E-02

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Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2-B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Global Warming Potential	[kg CO2- Equiv.]	5.48E+01	1.98E-01	9.01E-01	0.00E+0 0	MND	5.91E +01	0.00E +00	MND	1.77E-03	MND	4.50E- 03	-1.09E-01
Ozone Layer Depletion Potential	[kg R11- Equiv.]	2.96E-08	1.60E-12	2.06E-12	0.00E+0 0	MND	1.07E- 06	0.00E +00	MND	1.43E-14	MND	6.70E- 14	3.49E-09
Acidification Potential	[kg SO2- Equiv.]	2.28E-01	6.34E-04	2.28E-04	0.00E+0 0	MND	3.23E- 01	0.00E +00	MND	5.67E-06	MND	1.76E- 05	-2.58E-04
Eutrophication Potential	[kg Phosphate- Equiv.]	1.35E-02	1.63E-04	8.34E-04	0.00E+0 0	MND	1.78E- 02	0.00E +00	MND	1.46E-06	MND	2.98E- 06	-6.60E-06
Photochem. Ozone Creation Potential	[kg Ethene- Equiv.]	1.46E-02	7.58E-05	2.09E-04	0.00E+0 0	MND	2.45E- 02	0.00E +00	MND	6.79E-07	MND	1.89E- 06	-5.80E-05
Abiotic Depletion	[kg Sb- Equiv.]	3.01E-03	2.90E-08	1.05E-08	0.00E+0 0	MND	1.25E- 03	0.00E +00	MND	2.60E-10	MND	1.32E- 09	-3.45E-02
Abiotic Depletion for fossil resources	[MJ surplus energy]	6.92E+02	2.73E+00	7.68E-01	0.00E+0 0	MND	7.43E +02	0.00E +00	MND	2.44E-02	MND	6.61E- 02	-1.15E+00





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#### **Resource Use**

				EA	X 2500, Resc	ource Use							
Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2-B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
PERE	MJ, net calorific value	7.92E+01	4.53E-02	5.67E-02	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+ 00	0.00E +00	MND	4.06E-04	MND	3.11E-03	5.94E-02
PERM	MJ, net calorific value	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+ 00	0.00E +00	MND	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
PERT	MJ, net calorific value	7.92E+01	4.53E-02	5.67E-02	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+ 00	0.00E +00	MND	4.06E-04	MND	3.11E-03	5.94E-02
PENRE	MJ, net calorific value	7.94E+02	2.74E+00	8.00E-01	0.00E+0 0	MND	8.61E+ 03	0.00E +00	MND	2.46E-02	MND	6.73E-02	- 1.03E+00
PENRM	MJ, net calorific value	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+ 00	0.00E +00	MND	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
PENRT	MJ, net calorific value	7.94E+02	2.74E+00	8.00E-01	0.00E+0 0	MND	8.61E+ 03	0.00E +00	MND	2.46E-02	MND	6.73E-02	- 1.03E+00
SM	Kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+ 00	0.00E +00	MND	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
RSF	MJ, net calorific value	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+ 00	0.00E +00	MND	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
NRSF	MJ, net calorific value	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+ 00	0.00E +00	MND	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
FW	M <sup>3</sup>	3.92E+01	8.88E-03	3.16E-02	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+ 00	0.00E +00	MND	7.96E-05	MND	1.47E-03	-2.59E- 04

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PERE	Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	PENRT	Total use of non renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials)
PERM	Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	SM	Use of secondary materials
PERT	Total use of renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials)	RSF	Use of renewable secondary fuels
PENRE	Use of non renewable primary energy excluding non renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	NRSF	Use of non renewable secondary fuels
PENRM	Use of non renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	FW	Net use of fresh water





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#### **Outputs and Waste**

				EAX 250	0, Waste	and Outp	ut Flows						
Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2- B5	B6	В7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
HWD	Kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+0 0	0.00 E+00	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+ 00	MND	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+00
NHWD	Kg	1.87E+02	2.60E-02	8.93E-01	0.00 E+00	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+ 00	MND	2.33E-04	MND	6.57E-02	-2.92E-01
RWD	Kg	3.97E-02	5.77E-06	1.26E-05	0.00 E+00	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+ 00	MND	5.17E-08	MND	4.86E-07	0.00E+00
CRU	Kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+0 0	0.00 E+00	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+ 00	MND	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+00
MFR	Kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+0 0	0.00 E+00	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+ 00	MND	0.00E+0 0	MND	1.15E-01	0.00E+00
MET	Kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+0 0	0.00 E+00	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+ 00	MND	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+00
EEE	MJ, net calorific value	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+0 0	0.00 E+00	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+ 00	MND	0.00E+0 0	MND	0.00E+0 0	0.00E+00

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HWD	Disposed-of-hazardous WASTE	CRU	Components for reuse
NHWD	Disposed-of non-hazardous WASTE	MFR	Materials for recycling
RWD	Disposed-of Radioactive WASTE	MET	Materials for energy recovery
		EEE	Exported electrical energy
		EET	Exported thermal energy





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#### **Comparability of EPDs**

Results presented in this EPD are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins, or risks.

Results are not intended to be used to determine superiority of one product over another.

Environmental declarations from different programs may not be comparable.

The comparison of the environmental performance of Builders Hardware products using the EPD information shall be based on the product's use in and it's impacts on or within the building, and shall consider the complete life cycle with all information modules.

Full conformance with the PCR for North American Builders Hardware products allows EPD comparability only when all stages of a Builders Hardware product's life cycle have been considered. However, variations and deviations are possible.

### Life Cycle Assessment Interpretation

#### **Dominance Analysis**

A dominance analysis evaluates each life cycle stage and compares the impacts from that stage to the sum of the impacts calculated for all declared modules. Results from the dominance analysis were presented in the previous results section. In general, the vast majority of impacts (50-90%) are due to the A1-A3 portion of the life cycle. This is due to the sourcing of steel and aluminum parts.

#### Data Quality Assessment

Overall data quality is considered good. Improvements can be made through the modification of datasets to incorporate more regional specificity, both in terms of energy and technology. However data were considered appropriate in relation to the goal, scope and budget of the project.

Regarding primary data quality. For energy, water and waste, annual consumption was normalized based on total units of all goods produced during the same time frame. The resulting energy, water and waste per unit values were used for all products within the study. In reality, some products may result in more energy, water and waste being used and generated than others, however submetering at the per unit level was not available.

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