Media Day

Electrical Steel

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Grain oriented electrical steel production with a tradition – the market leader in Europe Product development at thyssenkrupp Electrical Steel's European plants





Global hidden champion: successful technical and economic turnaround

- Grain oriented electric strip High-tech niche product with less than 0.2% steel market share worldwide
- tkES market share in the EU about 50%, one of only 2 manufacturers in the EU. Worldwide (mainly in Asia) only 5 other producers are able to produce top grades
- Two years ago there were discussions on closure and sale option. However: We believed in the product, our team and the market – technological leap necessary (until 15 months ago, tkES was not in the Champions League of top-grade producers)
- Targeted investments and creative engineering Output of top grades could be increased tenfold within just a few months. This means that tkES is back in the race
- Top grades We support our customers to produce highly efficient transformers – thus also saving energy of over 1,000 gigawatt hours, avoiding over 400,000 metric tons of CO₂
- Investment in the future We are profitable again and can therefore continue to invest in technology





Grain oriented electrical steel for the electrified world

Our material as the motor driving the energy transition



Energy-efficient transformers



Urbanization Low-noise transformers



Renewable energies need smart grids with intelligent transformers



E-mobility with new drive concepts (e.g. axialflux technology)





Grain oriented electrical steel as the optimum material for the heart of transformers



Soft magnetic properties form the basis for highly efficient magnetization of the transformer core



Grain oriented: Highly complex manufacturing process for aligning the crystal axes of the grains in one direction



Thin top grades (0.23 mm) enable maximum energy efficiency and a smaller transformer size





The virtual factory







bluemint[®] Steel

High quality. Less CO₂.



bluemint[®] Steel – steel with reduced CO₂ intensity



bluemint® Steel explained in simple terms.





bluemint[®] pure DNV-certified

Conventional hot strip

Change of input materials

Less coal due to the use of a prereduced sponge iron. Less coal = Less CO_2



2.1 t CO_2/t hot strip

> The sponge iron (HBI) is only smelted and does not have to be reduced by coal.



bluemint[®] pure Certification of the genuine CO₂ savings by DNV CO₂ saving Genuine CO₂ savings are allocated to a $1.5 \text{ t CO}_2/\text{t}$ product on a balance sheet basis. Genuine CO₂ CO_2 saving $0.6 \text{ t } \text{CO}_2/\text{t}$ hot strip Corresponds to the The CO₂ savings are aggregated and then emissions from distributed so that 1.5 metric tons of CO₂ are saved per metric ton of bluemint[®] pure. preliminary sequences of the con-This corresponds to the specific CO_2 ventional hot strip. emissions from the Duisburg site.



bluemint[®] pure The advantages at a glance



- Primary steel all qualities can be produced
- Approx. 70% reduction in CO₂ emissions (30% residual CO₂ from preliminary sequence)
- Additionality criterion met/genuine additional CO₂ reductions in the global context
- Consideration and certification of the entire process
 chain
- No compensation certificate
- Applicable to our customers' Scope 3 emissions and usable for a holistic consideration of CO₂ emissions
- CO₂ is reduced at the Duisburg site, certified and a certificate is sent with the product

Further processing of bluemint[®] Steel into highly efficient grain oriented electric strip

- Further processing of bluemint[®] Steel at Electrical Steel to bluemint[®] pure powercore[®]
- CO₂ intensity of bluemint[®] powercore[®] reduced by over 50% compared to powercore[®] (1.8 t CO₂ e/t instead of 3.7 t CO₂ e/t)
- Further significant reduction in CO₂ emissions this year through use of green electricity and biomethane (instead of natural gas) at thyssenkrupp Electrical Steel
- Differentiation from the competition through the use of the world's first CO₂-reduced grain oriented electric steel strip
- thyssenkrupp Electrical Steel customers can significantly reduce Scope 3 emissions in their products with the help of bluemint[®] powercore[®]





SGB-SMIT Group

A brief overview

- Vision 2045 film





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A brief overview

 The transformer specialist from Europe with the highest customer orientation and exclusive focus on transformers (30 kVA to 1,200 MVA).



The SGB-SMIT Group was created in 2008 from the merger of Starkstrom-Gerätebau GmbH, founded in 1947, and the transformer factory SMIT Transformatoren B.V., in existence since 1913.



LOCATIONS

We are one of the world's leading manufacturers of power transformers

3,500 EMPLOYEES

... are the key to our success



Transformatoren

A brief description of the function

Transformers perform an important task in the nodes and switching points of the electrical power grid:

- They enable the transport of energy over long distances and
- The distribution of the electrical energy to the end customers and
- They adjust the voltage individually for all conceivable devices and machines.

The basic design is the same for all transformers:

- An iron core carries at least two windings: the primary and the secondary winding
- The windings are magnetically coupled by the iron core
- If alternating voltage is applied to one of the windings only alternating current can be can be transformed - a current flows in the winding, which generates a magnetic field that which induces a voltage in the second winding.





Transformers



Energy transport: Generation > Transmission > Distribution



Transformers

Core plate

- The transformer core is comprised of grain oriented electric steel strip
 - In order to make optimum use of the volume within the windings and to minimize losses, the core is not made of solid iron but of a large number of very thin (0.2 mm 0.3 mm) electric steel sheets of different widths.
 - The electric steel sheet coils from tkES are split lengthwise and crosswise at SGB-SMIT and then folded together to form a core.
- No-load losses:
 - A key component of the efficiency of a transformer is influenced by what are known as the no-load losses.
 - These no-load losses are generated by the remagnetization in the core and are predominately determined by the quality of the electric steel sheets.
 - Consequently the quality of the electric steel sheets plays a key role in the construction of an efficient transformer. A high sheet quality means lower no-load losses and hence high operating efficiency.







The carbon footprint of a transformer

Proportionate carbon footprint* of a distribution transformer in the different life cycle phases when transforming energy with <u>50%</u> share of <u>renewable</u> energy sources (= German energy mix 2019)



* The carbon footprint is calculated ed with a transformer utilization phase of 40 years and conventional electric steel plate

- Over 90% of the carbon footprint is generated in the utilization phase, since the transformer cannot transform the energy completely lossfree.
- The energy lost during the service life of a transformer is by far the determining factor for the carbon footprint, since a significant part of the energy was also generated from fossil energy sources.
 - Energy production from fossil energy sources causes very high CO_2 emissions. The loss of some of this generated energy is reflected in the footprint during the transformer's use phase.

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The carbon footprint of a transformer



Proportionate carbon footprint* of a distribution transformer in the different life cycle phases when transforming energy from <u>100% renewable</u> energy sources



* Carbon footprint is calculated with a transformer utilization phase of 40 years and conventional electric steel plate

- Energy production from renewable energy sources causes practically no CO_2 emissions; accordingly, the footprint in this phase is reduced to almost zero.
- This makes the use of materials the clearly dominant factor at 99% and the central point of attack for reducing the carbon footprint.
- On the materials side, electric steel sheet is responsible for about 20% of the carbon footprint and is therefore a very significant factor in the carbon footprint, along with the other types of steel used, as well as copper, aluminum and insulation materials.

The influence of bluemint pure powercore[®]



The carbon footprint of bluemint pure powercore[®] is reduced by a good 50% compared to conventional electric steel sheet.

- A typical 630 kVA distribution transformer contains a good 800 kg of electric steel sheet. One metric ton of electric steel sheet from tkES carries 3.7 t of CO₂ equivalents as standard; the bluemint[®] variant only 1.8 t of CO2 equivalents.
- Depending on the type of electric steel sheet (standard or bluemint[®] pure powercore[®]), the carbon footprint of the 630 kVA distribution transformer for the electric steel sheet is thus approx. 3 t CO2 equivalents (standard) or only 1.4 t CO2 equivalents (bluemint[®]).



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The carbon footprint of bluemint pure powercore[®] is reduced by a good 50% compared to conventional electric steel sheet.

- The SGB-SMIT Group installs approx. 45,000 t of electric steel sheet every year, so that up to 85,500 t of CO₂ can be saved per year through the use of bluemint[®] pure powercore[®].
- Alternatively, to offset 85,500 t of CO2, you would have to plant 6,840,000 trees. This number of trees would cover an area equivalent to around 6,000 soccer pitches.
- The SGB-SMIT Group will be the first European transformer manufacturer to install bluemint[®] pure powercore[®] in transformers for our partner E.ON, thus making a further active contribution to CO₂ reduction.



Connecting everyone to

eon

good energy

Achim Hübner, ICL Transformers Gelsenkirchen, 19 January 2022



"E.ON is now launching a comprehensive growth and investment campaign to establish a CO_2 -free, digital energy world. In 2030, E.ON will be bigger and greener, more digital and more diverse."

Leonhard Birnbaum, CEO of E.ON SE on Capital Market Day 23 November 2021 Employees

78

thousand

Power grids

1.60

Renewable

900

thousand

energy plants

million kilometers

Customers

50

millions

Regulated

asset base

35

billion euros

Adjusted

EBITDA

6.90

million euros

Who we are

The E.ON Group is one of Europe's largest operators of power grids and energy infrastructure, and a provider of innovative customer solutions. In this way, we are decisively driving forward the energy transition in Europe and, with our business, are committed to sustainability, climate protection and thus the future of our planet.

These are not just words: We act – instead of making promises. We are leading the way – not following. We rely on the power of the community – and not on individual interests without an overriding goal.

Our three strategic priorities



Growth

Growth is necessary to build a CO_2 -free Europe with our customers and partners. Growth is also the prerequisite for sustainable entrepreneurial success.

That's why we will invest heavily in growth across the green, distributed energy world.

Sustainability

Sustainability is at the core of our strategy – in every dimension – and will be the benchmark for our actions in the future. We support our customers in their decarbonization and are moving towards climate neutrality ourselves.

Digitization

Digitization is the key to enabling us to fulfill our role as networkers and shapers of tomorrow's sustainable energy world. That's why we are digitizing and standardizing the entire system – grids, products, customer interfaces, and internal processes – and making E.ON the first "All Digital" energy company. With 100% bluemint[®] powercore[®] E.ON would save 18,000 t CO₂ annually, the equivalent of 1.4 Transformers million trees.





Power transformers Annual demand approx. 200 units \rightarrow 4,000 t electric steel sheet

Distribution transformers Annual demand approx. 7,000 \rightarrow 5,000 t electric steel sheet

Total demand for electric steel sheet → 9,000 t per year

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Summary





What brings us together



bluemint[®] pure achieves additional CO₂ savings in a global context and accompanies the transformation





