

## Heartland Completes First Industrial Hemp Fiber LCA For Carbon Negative Plastic Additives

Giving Manufacturers A Predictable Path To Decarbonize Plastic

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-- Heartland has completed its Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) to determine the carbon footprint of Imperium Filler from cradle to gate. This research shows that every 1 kg of Imperium Filler removes 3 kg of CO2e.

Heartland's LCA was completed by Presidio Graduate School and Steffan

Unnasch, Managing Director of

Lifecycle Associates. This work was done in accordance with ISO 14040 Standards for Life Cycle Assessments.



Heartland partners with Presidio Graduate School

and Life Cycle Associates to complete ISO 14040 LCA



for industrial hemp fiber

Life Cycle Associates



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Jesse Henry, CEO Heartland Industries The research studied Heartland's Imperium Filler as a replacement for mineral fillers commonly used in plastics. Specifically, the LCA quantifies filling plastic with 20% Imperium Filler to replace talc and calcium carbonate (two commonly used plastic additives).

In addition to plastic, Heartland's Imperium Filler is also used as an additive for rubber, foam, asphalt, paper, and concrete. This LCA will provide the backbone for lower carbon footprint solutions across raw material supply chains.

Brands and their suppliers are looking for drop-in materials that can reduce the cost, weight, and carbon footprint of the products they manufacture. Heartland's Imperium Filler gives these

manufacturers a predictable path to create carbon-neutral, or carbon-negative, products.

Companies have put millions of dollars into bioplastics and other alternative materials, but they still face headwinds with low supply and high prices. Heartland's carbon-negative plastic additives are the first practical way to decarbonize plastic products without compromising strength or cost.

"SEC climate disclosures are coming online over the next couple of years. This is going to force public companies and their suppliers to disclose scope 1, 2, and 3 carbon emissions," says Heartland CEO, Jesse Henry. "Our sustainability platform will support manufacturers with the materials and technologies needed to create lower carbon footprint everyday products."



Every 1 kg of Heartland's hemp fiber removes 3 kg of CO2e



One of Heartland's industrial hemp fiber fields

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have been around for decades. Today's top manufacturers are looking to lead the next phase of the sustainability revolution by leveraging a reliable supply chain of biomaterials. Heartland's carbon-negative additives are simple, drop-in solutions that reduce the environmental impact of the products that we use every day.

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Heartland is a material science company that engineers hemp fibers as additives for plastics. Their team is building America's first reliable industrial hemp supply chain to support manufacturers looking to reduce their carbon footprint. As an industrial hemp material processor, they work with farmers and manufacturers to ensure the product consistency of carbon-negative additives that can be used across raw material supply chains. Heartland's materials help companies manufacture stronger, lighter, cheaper, and more sustainable products. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.heartland.io">https://www.heartland.io</a>.

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