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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

|                            |                                                    |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| <b>AP</b>                  | Acidification Potential                            |
| <b>BOD</b>                 | Biological Oxygen Demand                           |
| <b>CED</b>                 | Cumulative Energy Demand                           |
| <b>CFL</b>                 | Compact Fluorescent lamps                          |
| <b>cfm</b>                 | Cubic Feet per Minute                              |
| <b>COD</b>                 | Chemical Oxygen Demand                             |
| <b>CP</b>                  | Carcinogens Potential                              |
| <b>dB</b>                  | Decibel Reading                                    |
| <b>DW</b>                  | Demineralized Water                                |
| <b>EEL</b>                 | Energy Efficient fluorescent light                 |
| <b>EGP</b>                 | Egyptian Pound                                     |
| <b>EIA</b>                 | Environmental Impact Assessment                    |
| <b>EMS</b>                 | Energy Management System                           |
| <b>EP</b>                  | Eutrophication Potential                           |
| <b>E.T.P.</b>              | Effluent Treatment Plant                           |
| <b>ETP</b>                 | Eco-toxicity Potential                             |
| <b>FFD</b>                 | Fossil Fuels Depletion                             |
| <b>GWP</b>                 | Global Warming Potential                           |
| <b>HID</b>                 | High Pressure Metal Halide                         |
| <b>HPMV</b>                | High Pressure Mercury Vapor                        |
| <b>HPS</b>                 | High Pressure Sodium lamp                          |
| <b>kW/TF produced</b>      | Kilowatt per Ton Fiber Produced                    |
| <b>kWh/Day</b>             | Kilowatt hour per day                              |
| <b>LCA</b>                 | Life Cycle Assessment                              |
| <b>LCI</b>                 | Life Cycle Inventory                               |
| <b>LU</b>                  | Land Use                                           |
| <b>MD</b>                  | Minerals Depletion                                 |
| <b>m<sup>3</sup>/month</b> | Cubic meter per month                              |
| <b>MT/Day</b>              | Metric ton of steam per day                        |
| <b>OLD</b>                 | Ozone Layer Depletion                              |
| <b>PAH's</b>               | Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons                   |
| <b>PDCA</b>                | Plan-Do-Check-Act                                  |
| <b>psig</b>                | pound per square inch                              |
| <b>RIFP</b>                | Respiratory Inorganic Formation Potential          |
| <b>RO</b>                  | Reverses Osmosis                                   |
| <b>ROFP</b>                | Respiratory Organic Formation Potential, Radiation |
| <b>RP</b>                  | Radiation Potential                                |
| <b>rpm</b>                 | Rotation per minute                                |
| <b>SEM</b>                 | Strategic Energy Management                        |
| <b>T/TF produced</b>       | Ton Steam per Ton Fiber produced                   |
| <b>TF/Day</b>              | Ton fiber per day                                  |
| <b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>     | Titanium dioxide                                   |
| <b>TQM</b>                 | Total Quality Management                           |
| <b>VOC's</b>               | Volatile Organic Compounds                         |
| <b>WTP</b>                 | Water Treatment Plant                              |

## **GLOSSARY**

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| <b>Acid Dyes</b>                         | A dye which is a salt of a sulfuric, carboxylic or phenolic organic acid. The salts are often sodium or ammonium salts. Acid dyes are typically soluble in water, usually used for dark shade textiles(Hunge, 2008).                                                                          |
| <b>Acidification Potential</b>           | An indicator of acid rain phenomenon, is calculated and expressed in SO <sub>2</sub> equivalent(Goedkoop&Spruiensma 2000).                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Background Data</b>                   | Data for generic materials, energy, transport and waste management systems. This data can be found in databases and literature (Goedkoop <i>et al.</i> ,2008).                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Basic Dyes</b>                        | Also known as cationic dyes.This is a class of synthetic dyes, that act as bases and when made soluble in water, they form a colored cationic salt, which can react with the anionic sites on the surface of the substrate. The basic dyes produce bright on textile materials (Hunge, 2008). |
| <b>Cradle to Gate Analysis</b>           | LCA analysis starting from obtaining the raw material till the end of the production process(ISO 14040: 2006).                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Cradle to Grave Analysis</b>          | LCA analysis starting from obtaining the raw material till final disposal and waste management(ISO 14040: 2006).                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Cut-off Criteria</b>                  | A specific level amount of environmental significance associated with product system to be excluded from the study (ISO 14040: 2006).                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Disperse Dyes</b>                     | Originally developed for dyeing synthetic fibers, they include metallic compounds or polymeric substance (Hunge, 2008).                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Dope</b>                              | The polymer, either in molten form or dissolved in solvent, that is spun into fiber (US EPA, 1996).                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Ecosystem Quality Impact Category</b> | The used methodology in the current study considers the links between ecosystem and emissions causing acidification, eutrofication, ecotoxicity and land use(Goedkoop&Spruiensma 2000).                                                                                                       |
| <b>Environmental Impact</b>              | Any change to the environment, whether adverse or beneficial, wholly or partially resulting from an organization's activities, products or services (ISO 14001: 2004).                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Foreground Data</b>                   | Refers to very specific data (case study data) needed to                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

model the system (Goedkoop *et al.*, 2008).

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| <b>Global Warming Potential</b>     | Represented by climate change, is taken into consideration as an indicator of greenhouse effect, and is expressed in CO <sub>2</sub> equivalents (Goedkoop & Spriensma 2000).                                                  |
| <b>Human Health Impact Category</b> | The used methodology considers the links between human health and emissions causing respiratory effects or cancer, the ozone layer effect, and the greenhouse effect (Goedkoop & Spriensma 2000).                              |
| <b>Impact Category Indicator</b>    | Class representing environmental issues of concern to which LCI results may be assigned (ISO 14040: 2006).                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Landfill Site</b>                | The location where solid waste is buried underground (ISO 14001: 2004).                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Leachate</b>                     | As rainfall falls onto landfill sites, it dissolves a whole manner of toxins from the deposited waste, which should not be allowed to enter any groundwater or controlled waters such as streams and rivers (ISO 14001: 2004). |
| <b>Life Cycle Assessment</b>        | Consecutive and interlinked stages of a product system, from raw material acquisition or generation of natural resources to final disposal and waste management. (ISO 14040: 2006).                                            |
| <b>Life Cycle Impact Analysis</b>   | Phase of life cycle assessment aimed at understanding and evaluating the magnitude and significance of the potential environmental impacts of a product system (ISO 14040: 2006).                                              |
| <b>Life Cycle Inventory</b>         | A list of emissions, resource uses, land use, etc. that are collected, before impact assessment is applied (Goedkoop <i>et al.</i> , 2008).                                                                                    |
| <b>Mega Points (mPt)</b>            | An expression used to evaluate the impact categories, the impact of a product or process, more points mean worst environmental burdens (Goedkoop <i>et al.</i> , 2008).                                                        |
| <b>NO<sub>x</sub></b>               | Refers to the several oxides of nitrogen where 'x' is a variable number (ISO 14001: 2004).                                                                                                                                     |

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| <b>PDCA cycle</b>             | A four step cycle for problem solving and continues improvement, includes:<br>1) planning (definition of a problem and a hypothesis about possible causes and solutions), 2) doing (implementing), 3) checking (evaluating the results), 4) action (back to plan if the results are unsatisfactory or standardization if the results are satisfactory), (Moen& Norman, 2009). |
| <b>Single Score Indicator</b> | Presents one score used in LCA that expresses the result of the cumulative inventory list in one indicator (Goedkoop <i>et al.</i> , 2008).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>SO<sub>x</sub></b>         | Refers to the several oxides of sulphur where x is a variable (ISO 14001: 2004).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Spinnerette</b>            | A spinnerette is used in the production of all man-made fiber whereby liquid is forced through holes. Filaments emerging from the holes are hardened and solidified. The process of extrusion and hardening is called spinning (US EPA, 1996).                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Staple Fiber</b>           | Lengths of fiber made by cutting man-made fiber tow into short (1- to 6-inch) and usually uniform lengths, which are subsequently twisted into spun yarn (US EPA, 1996).                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Tow</b>                    | A collection of many parallel, continuous filaments, that are grouped together in a rope-like form having a diameter of about one-quarter inch (US EPA, 1996).                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Weighting</b>              | The process in which the various indicators, resulting from an LCA study, are aggregated in one figure through the use of subjective weighting factors (Goedkoop <i>et al.</i> , 2008).                                                                                                                                                                                       |