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Report VinylPlus

On 14 September 2011 ROOFCOLLECT® submitted to the secretary of the VinylPlus Board its draft Budget and Subsidy Request 2012 to 2014 including the relevant and requested submission forms. Note: it is quite an improvement to have a three-yearly VinylPlus financial commitment.

The most important targets and commitments by ESWA for the years 2012 to 2014 are:

A. to recycle increasing quantities of PVC roofing membranes at their end of life.

The commitment is to recycle with the best available percentage of the collectable quantity of PVC roofing waste in 2012 through 2014 (100% in Germany).

B. to create increasing recycling activities in Europe in 2012 to 2014 with the objective to recycle 50% of the collectable available quantity of PVC roofing waste in the countries having not yet installed a functioning collecting system (e.g. in Italy, Spain, UK and others).

C. To promote the reuse of recycled materials (recyclates) by ESWA member companies or other interested parties in the market.

Scenario : Continuing and improving the ESWA Master Project for Collecting and Recycling of end-of-life PVC Roofing and Waterproofing Membranes.

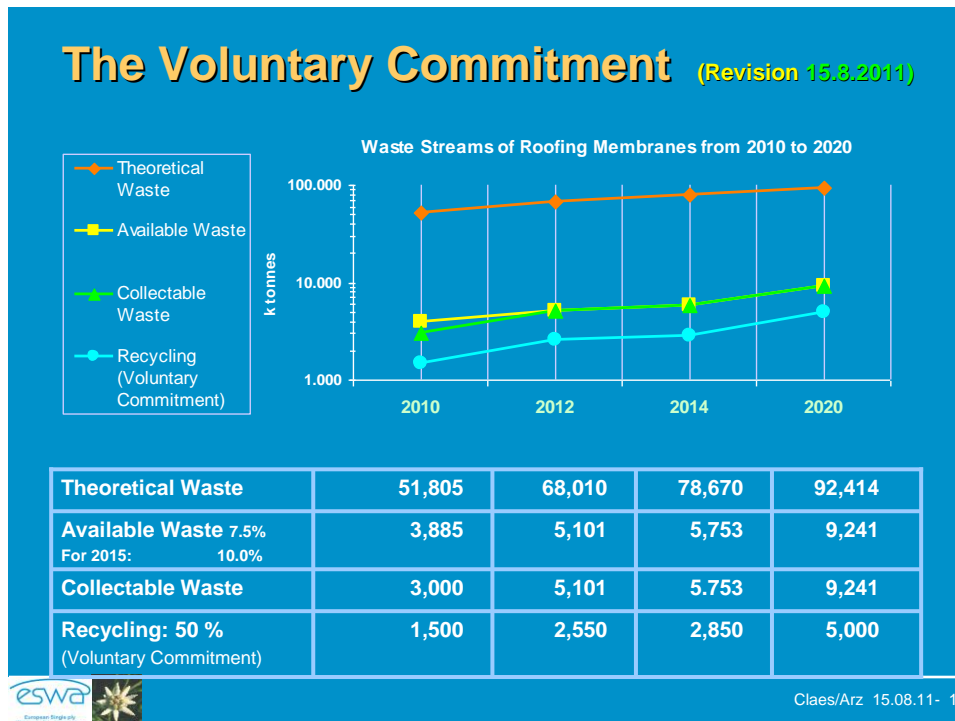


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This would mean in tonnage (confidential: not to be communicated):



Source ESWA – confidential

*Available waste 2015: increasing availability rate due to removal of double (second) layers

First feedback of the VinylPlus secretary was positive, i.e. the submitted dossiers were clear and complete and no extra questions were asked pending the VinylPlus Budget Board meetings.

Report on Roofing and Waterproofing Membranes

In 9 months 2011 ESWA^(*) ROOFCOLLECT® recycled 1.056 tonnes of collectable available PVC waste from roofing and waterproofing membranes. ROOFCOLLECT's target on volumes will certainly be achieved end of 2011 (1.500 tonnes). It will probably be exceeded by some 5 to 10 %. From January to June 2011 80 % of the quantities came from Germany, 20 % from other EU countries and Norway. This development has been continuing in the past weeks.



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ROOFCOLLECT® System: Special projects 2011 and Collection Schemes –

Germany

In Germany ROOFCOLLECT® participated in the German National Roofers Congress in Bremen on 6 and 7 May.

A meeting with the German logistical experts team of ESWA members took place in July in order to discuss market situation of the collecting scheme as well as measures to be taken in future.

France

In France the ROOFCOLLECT® French team together with SFEC, (Syndicat français des enducteurs et calandriers) fixed communication tools as well as communication activities. First construction/renovation sites have been started and quantities are expected in the upcoming months. 20 collection sites spread over France are ready to accept ROOFCOLLECT® materials.

The last meeting of the French team took place on 5 October 2011. A detailed report on the outcome will follow. Measures for 2011 are ongoing; new projects for 2012 can only be fixed after approval of budget.

Netherlands/Belgium

A most recent meeting in Gorinchem/Netherlands with Vekudak, the Dutch/Belgian association for singly ply roofing membranes revealed, that ESWA sales force is very much looking forward to start activities in both countries.

Details on transport, logistics and prices as well as monitoring have to be reviewed for the next 3 years' period.

Italy

A meeting was held with some new members of the Italian experts team of ESWA ROOFCOLLECT®.

New measures were discussed to be undertaken as soon as the budget will be approved for 2012. This done the complete team will meet in Italy in spring 2012, early enough to start measures on the Italian market.



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SPAIN

A meeting with the Spanish team of ROOFCOLLECT® (new team) took place on 19 September 2011. The Spanish building and construction market being difficult, return of end-of-life material is hardly expected.

Measures for the collections of end-of-life membranes in Northern Spain as well as in Southern France shall be taken after approval of budget for 2012 to 2014.

A collection scheme with a partner will be installed. We are already having talks with possible recycling partners to be continued in 2012.

Norway

Regular collections and transports to the German recycling site are registered.

EuPR

ROOFCOLLECT® participated in an EuPR (European Plastics Recyclers Association) international meeting in September 2011.

Costs

ROOFCOLLECT® costs 1-9/2011 are within the budget, which has been approved by Vinyl 2010/Plus in the beginning of the year 2011. A more detailed view on the figures shall be submitted separately.

Outlook

The next meetings of ESWA ROOFCOLLECT® management team as well as the expert team meetings will only be convened after approval of budget for 2012 (and the years after).

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*Footnote: ESWA - European Single Ply Waterproofing Association, an independent EuPC member association

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