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**Summary**

## Sustainability Report

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Region: North America  
Energy type: None  
Energy amount: 0.00 kWh  
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### Use

Region: North America  
Energy type: Electricity  
Energy amount: 2.00 kWh  
Duration of use: 1.0 year

### Transportation

Truck distance: 2600 km  
Train distance: 0.00 km  
Ship distance: 0.00 km  
Airplane Distance: 0.00 km

### End of Life

Recycled: 25 %  
Incinerated: 24 %  
Landfill: 51 %

### Comments

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Environmental Impact (calculated using CML impact assessment methodology)

Carbon Footprint



88 kg CO<sub>2e</sub>

Total Energy Consumed



1000 MJ

Air Acidification



0.564 kg SO<sub>2e</sub>

Water Eutrophication



0.034 kg PO<sub>4e</sub>

Material Financial Impact

14.00 USD

Comments

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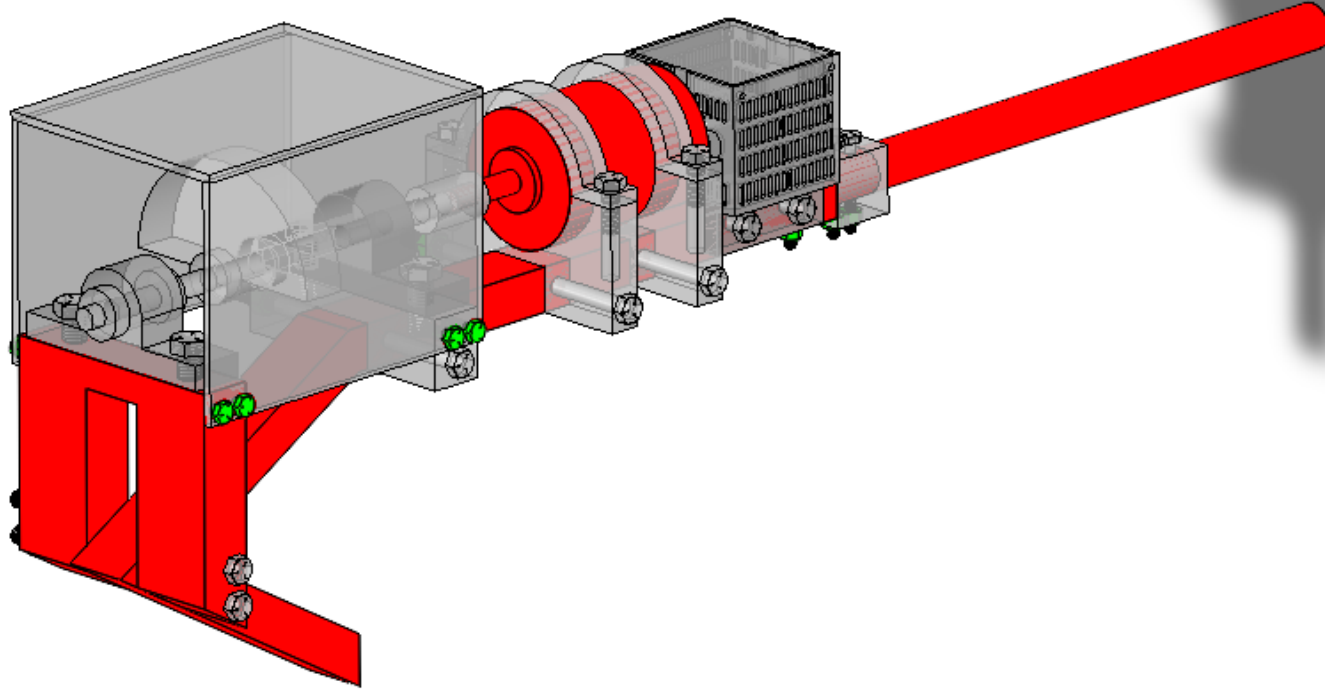
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### Component Environmental Impact

Top Ten Components Contributing Most to the Four Areas of Environmental Impact

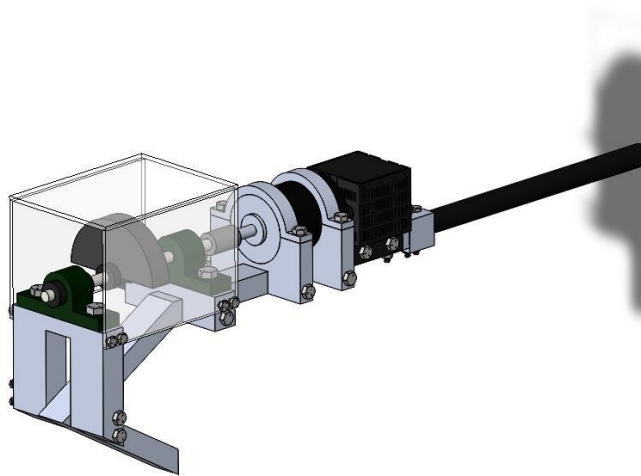
Component	Carbon	Water	Air	Energy
motor	19	4.8E-3	0.144	240
upperPillowBlockMount	15	3.6E-3	0.104	190
hollowHook	9.7	2.3E-3	0.066	120
1SecPole	1.9	4.2E-3	8.3E-3	18
lowerPillowBlockMount	5.0	1.2E-3	0.037	60
3rd Mass	4.3	1.7E-3	0.018	56
motormountBottom	4.0	9.0E-4	0.028	49
Connector	2.2	5.5E-4	0.016	27
PanelTop	1.3	6.5E-4	0.012	15
PanelSide	1.1	5.9E-4	0.011	14



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## Baseline



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## Environmental Impact Comparison

New Design:  Better  Worse

Original Design:  Baseline

### Carbon Footprint - Comparison

Total : 88 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e  
: 95 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e

### Total Energy Consumed - Comparison

Total : 1000 MJ  
: 1000 MJ

### Air Acidification - Comparison

Total : 0.564 kg SO<sub>2</sub>e  
: 0.627 kg SO<sub>2</sub>e

### Water Eutrophication - Comparison

Total : 0.034 kg PO<sub>4</sub>e  
: 0.039 kg PO<sub>4</sub>e

### Material Financial Impact Comparison



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## Glossary

**Air Acidification** - Sulfur dioxide, nitrous oxides other acidic emissions to air cause an increase in the acidity of rainwater, which in turn acidifies lakes and soil. These acids can make the land and water toxic for plants and aquatic life. Acid rain can also slowly dissolve manmade building materials such as concrete. This impact is typically measured in units of either kg **sulfur dioxide equivalent (SO<sub>2</sub>)**, or **moles H<sup>+</sup> equivalent**.

**Carbon Footprint** - Carbon-dioxide and other gasses which result from the burning of fossil fuels accumulate in the atmosphere which in turn increases the earth's average temperature. Carbon footprint acts as a proxy for the larger impact factor referred to as Global Warming Potential (GWP). Global warming is blamed for problems like loss of glaciers, extinction of species, and more extreme weather, among others.

**Total Energy Consumed** - A measure of the non-renewable energy sources associated with the part's lifecycle in units of megajoules (**MJ**). This impact includes not only the electricity or fuels used during the product's lifecycle, but also the upstream energy required to obtain and process these fuels, and the embodied energy of materials which would be released if burned. PED is expressed as the net calorific value of energy demand from non-renewable resources (e.g. petroleum, natural gas, etc.). Efficiencies in energy conversion (e.g. power, heat, steam, etc.) are taken into account.

**Water Eutrophication** - When an over abundance of nutrients are added to a water ecosystem, eutrophication occurs. Nitrogen and phosphorous from waste water and agricultural fertilizers causes an overabundance of algae to bloom, which then depletes the water of oxygen and results in the death of both plant and animal life. This impact is typically measured in either kg **phosphate equivalent (PO<sub>4</sub>)** or **kg nitrogen (N) equivalent**.

**Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)** - This is a method to quantitatively assess the environmental impact of a product throughout its entire lifecycle, from the procurement of the raw materials, through the production, distribution, use, disposal and recycling of that product.

**Material Financial Impact** - This is the financial impact associated with the material only. The mass of the model is multiplied by the financial impact unit (units of currency/units of mass) to calculate the financial impact (in units of currency).

[Learn more about Life Cycle Assessment](#) 