

VALIDATION TYPE II ENVIRONMENTAL LABEL Ecoscore

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Scope

Barco engaged Vinçotte to perform an external validation audit to assess the Ecoscore methodology and its application to a level of limited assurance.

The purpose of the Ecoscore tool is to provide an objective assessment of Barco products in accordance with all aspects of their Ecodesign performance.

Methodology of the Ecoscore

Barco has developed the Ecoscore method using:

- ISO14021:2016 Environmental labels and declarations - Self-declared environmental claims (Type II environmental labelling) as a framework and,
- The criteria of the Ecodesign Directive, supplemented by criteria from existing ecolabels for electronics and technology products.

The methodology used is described in the Barco Ecoscore Tool Framework Procedure - update 2023.

Declaration of independence

The validation was carried out by Vinçotte as an independent third party.

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Description of validation activities

Our engagement consisted of:

- Obtaining the necessary understanding of the Ecoscore methodology, as well as how it is managed, updated and applied;
- Making inquiries of the persons responsible for managing the Ecoscore method, in casu the Barco's ECO-office team;
- Making inquiries of a selection of 3 persons who are part of the Ecoscore advisory group, which is responsible for validating proposed changes to the tool, reporting issues and improvement opportunities and communicating new market trends, business models or relevant changes in the division;
- Verifying the correct application of the Ecoscore tool for a selection of 5 randomly selected Barco products. It is important to note that the validation did not involve checking the correct execution of the tests that provide the parameters for calculation of the Ecoscore. It also did not check the correct functioning of the IT systems used to collect and aggregate data;
- Verifying an update of an Ecoscore after the stage of formal qualification review and how this update was managed;
- Verifying the relevant information shared with 2 suppliers on the Ecoscore, as well as the information the suppliers shared with Barco for determining the Ecoscore;
- Reviewing how Barco staff members were trained in the use of the Ecoscore over the past 5 years and how trainings are managed.

Conclusion

Based on the validation activities carried out and within the scope of our engagement nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Ecoscore tool has not been applied in all material aspects in accordance with the Methodology of the Ecoscore as described in the Barco Ecoscore Tool Framework Procedure - update 2023.

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