



Terms of Use Statement (full version)

Humanitarian Carbon Calculator (HCC) – Terms of Use for the Full Version (with humanitarian-specific product emission factors)

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3. Prohibitions

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- b) Publish, make available, or construct derivative databases or database-like products using the Tool's embedded data.





c) Use the Tool or its underlying data to provide commercial carbon accounting or consulting services to third parties.

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e) Use web crawlers, scrapers, or reverse-engineering techniques to automatically extract the embedded data.

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