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Abstract

Existing territorial LCAs consider all activities in a given geographical area, defined as the foreground system, but cannot lead to operational decision. In product scale LCA, the foreground system is defined as the part of the system directly controlled by an actor and is thus more adapted to compare possible scenarios within a decision perimeter. The present paper uses that concept applied to a geographical area. The developed method consists of 5 steps: (i) definition of the foreground MFA/LCA system corresponding to the decision perimeter, (ii) territorial MFA, (iii) geo-location of activities and downscaling of territorial flows to individual activities, (iv) calculation of local transport distances and (v) calculation of LCA impact indicators. The case study concerns the management of primary and secondary resources of Basic Quality aggregates (BQA) in the Loire Atlantique department (France) in 2012. Our results show that the amount of Recycled Cement Concrete (RCC) is only 7% of total consumed BQA, although 90% of Cement Concrete Demolition Waste (CCDW) is recycled. The environmental impacts are importantly related to off-site activities. Local impacts are mainly driven by the transport of aggregates. For land planning, a concentration of fewer recycling facilities with high authorised production capacities in main cities, close to where CCDW is mainly produced, would divide transport needs by 2 and thus considerably reduce environmental impacts.

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1 INTRODUCTION

Urban Metabolism (UM) is a general framework which aims at analysing the interactions between human societies and nature, in a known geographical area, often a city and its suburbs, based on the observation and analysis of stocks and flows (Kennedy et al., 2007). Since the stocks and flows considered are mainly materials and energy, territorial Material Flow Analysis (MFA) is one of the most widely applied method in UM studies. UM is generally conducted in order to provide insights for more sustainable territories. However, previous research pointed out that indirect flows were not considered or poorly estimated in territorial MFAs (Barles, 2010). These so-called indirect or hidden flows, are those generated by activities inside the observed territory, but occurring outside this territory. More explicitly, they are upstream flows necessary for a production or a consumption (i.e. energy, products, nutrients, etc.), downstream flows necessary from the result of a production or a consumption (i.e. energy for transport, waste treatment, etc.), as well as flows from and to nature that are themselves generated by the corresponding activities. Later, the literature reviews of UM methods by Loiseau et al. (2012) and Pincetl et al. (2012) both suggested an expanded UM framework in order to integrate a life cycle perspective, and a general framework was set (Chester et al., 2012; Loiseau et al., 2013), marking the beginning to what was later called territorial LCA (Loiseau et al., 2018), to be distinguished from product LCAs that are “classical” LCAs. Several case studies followed.

The two first applied territorial LCAs were the comparison of several cities (Goldstein et al., 2013) and the study of a rural territory (Loiseau et al., 2014). A comparison of their models is provided in Table 1. Their results showed a comparison of tonnes of CO₂ equivalent with per capita Gross Domestic Product (GDP) between several cities detailing the contributions of considered activities (Goldstein et al., 2013). The research also included several impact indicators detailing the contributions of considered activities, completed by an analysis of contributions between on-site and off-site as well as between consumption and production (Loiseau et al., 2014).

Although these studies provide very interesting insights about geographical areas, such as the main activities causing environmental impacts and the dependency of the studied area on activities occurring off-site, they cannot lead to operational decision making. Indeed, fundamentally, a decision-maker’s role consists in

addressing problems with effective actions that can be controlled, knowing the consequences of each possible action (Senga Kiessé et al., 2017). In classical product LCA, the foreground system is defined as “the part of the system that is directly controlled by a given actor” (Frischknecht, 1998) and is thus adapted to compare possible scenarios within the decision perimeter of a given actor. In previous territorial LCA studies, the foreground system has been defined as the territory (see Table 1), which cannot be related to a given actor.

*Table 1. Comparison of models used by the two first territorial LCA applied studies - *Gross Domestic Product; MFA: Material Flow Analysis*

Reference	(Goldstein et al., 2013)	(Loiseau et al., 2014)
Reference flow	Geographical area: city	Geographical area: rural area
Functional unit	Capita GDP*	Based on land use functions (environmental, societal and economic) with an initial land planning scenario determined from the analysis of territory
Foreground system	The geographical area (on-site)	The geographical area (on-site)
Considered activities in territory	Consumption: food for residents, construction materials for growth/maintenance of building stock and infrastructure, energy for transport, buildings and industry, and other materials commonly consumed en masse	Consumption for residents and tourists (food, housing, transports, waste and wastewater) On-site production: agriculture, fishing, quarries, manufacturing activities, construction, energy, waste elimination, storage, transport, services and tertiary activities
Background system	Upstream and downstream systems corresponding to flows of the foreground system (off-site)	Upstream systems corresponding to flows of the foreground system (off-site)
Data source for flows	Previous MFA studies, economic databases	Economic databases, local surveys

In order for territorial LCA to aim at making decisions, then the foreground system should be different from the on-site area, as defined by its geographical boundaries (Ventura, 2020), as shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 1. Conceptual distinction between LCA foreground system and MFA geographical boundaries

Such a distinction allows focusing on a set of activities within a given action perimeter and not describing all the activities of a geographical area. Thus, in that case, territorial LCA is not comprehensive in terms of activities. It focuses on a system and on scenarios within a decision perimeter. This was suggested previously (Bidstrup et al., 2015) for the study of land planning scenarios, in a five steps methodology. The first step consists in identifying planning variables (Bidstrup et al., 2015). The second step is to develop the LCA model, inside which “planning variables are formulated as foreground parameters in the system”. The third step consists in formulating planning scenarios and defining a baseline scenario (Bidstrup et al., 2015). The fourth step consists in calculating an analysing environmental impacts, and the fifth and last step consists in formulating planning recommendations (Bidstrup et al., 2015).

In this research paper, the objective is to conduct a territorial LCA for supporting decision in the concrete waste management system. In France, the planning of waste management is delegated to regional authorities (JORF, 2015a) through a “*Plan Régional de Prévention et de Gestion des Déchets*” (PRPGD). The first chapter of the PRPGD must integrate a diagnosis of resources and energy, as well as input and output flows at the regional scale. It should map the main waste producing activities and identify synergies which enable waste recovery. It should list existing initiatives which promote the circular economy as well as waste prevention, reduction and recovery (JORF, 2015a). The second chapter of the PRPGD must provide prospective scenarios for the next 6 to

12 years and quantify their employment potentials (JORF, 2015a). The third chapter must describe a regional governance system including the waste management stakeholders in the region (JORF, 2015a). The fourth chapter sets objectives for an efficient waste and resource management system. The fifth and last chapter defines actions conducted in order to promote the circular economy (JORF, 2015a).

According to the concepts presented in Fig. 1, the foreground system represents the decision perimeter of French regional authorities. The present study particularly contributes to the diagnosis of waste and resource as required by the first PRGPD chapter, by calculating environmental impacts of the current cement concrete waste management system. This article focuses on steps 1 and 2 in the conceptual framework defined by Bidstrup et al. (2015).

According to Pepe (2015), cement concrete demolition waste (CCDW) represents about one third of total Construction and Demolition Waste (C&DW), excluding excavated soil. Indeed, the high compressive strength of concrete, its high durability, low maintenance cost and resistance to different weather conditions as well as its low purchase price compared to other construction materials make it one of the most widely used construction materials (Behera et al., 2014). In the same time, 20 billion tonnes of natural aggregate are consumed every year on a global scale and an annual growth rate of 4.7% is expected in the coming years (Pacheco-Torgal et al., 2013). This leads to the consumption of non-renewable raw materials, energy consumption and to a reduction of biodiversity at extraction sites (Pacheco-Torgal et al., 2013). Hence, construction materials must be produced and used according to sustainable development principles (Blengini and Garbarino, 2010) in order to minimize economic, energy and environmental burdens caused by the construction industry. According to current practice, CCDW are recycled into Recycled Cement Concrete (RCC). RCC serve as Basic Quality Aggregates (BQA), which are the lowest quality of aggregates used for foundations (roads, buildings and railways, tracks) and trenches (Thorn and Brown, 1989). BQA are also extracted from natural resource in quarries (designed as A1 in this article).

The present study thus considers the waste and resource management system of BQA. It first presents the method as well as its application to the case study of the Loire Atlantique department located in the Pays de la Loire region (France). Then it presents and discusses the impact assessment results.

2 METHOD

The developed method consists in 5 steps. First, the MFA/LCA foreground system is defined, and in a second step, an MFA of that system is conducted at the studied geographical scale. In a third step, the activities of the system in the studied geographical area, are geo-localized and the values of reference flows are determined for each single activity site using a downscale method. Then, as a fourth step, transport distances associated to the reference flows are calculated. Finally, other flows related to reference flows (other intermediary flows, and elementary flows) for both foreground and background systems, are calculated to obtain LCA impact indicators.

2.1 Definition of the MFA/LCA system

The system is depicted in Fig. 2 (the values of stocks and flows will be detailed in the next section). The waste and resource management system of BQA is the system producing and provisioning BQA for construction purposes. Two products, RCC and A1, compete for the same usage, and, for constant BQA demand, an increase of the use of RCC results in a decrease in the use of A1. Thus, the system should account for productions and provisioning of both resources, because of this causal relationship.

RCC is produced from recycling facilities that transform CCDW into RCC using crushers and grinders. The system thus includes the total amounts of CCDW transported to recycling facilities, the total amounts of RCC produced from these facilities as well as their transport to the construction site for which they are provisioned. Demolition activities are not considered as a part of the system as we consider that they belong to the buildings' life cycle. In addition, there is no observed correlation between the amount of cement concrete used for building construction and CCDW production. Indeed, buildings can be composed of other materials than concrete, and their service life is long and uncertain. At the end of their service life, buildings are not always demolished (they can be renewed or refurbished), and demolition can also be provoked by urban planning policies (Augiseau and Barles, 2017). Thus, the model only accounts for the available CCDW at a given time, without modelling any physical relationship with the building construction activity.

Quarries produce three qualities of aggregates:

- high quality aggregates (designated as A3 in this article) used with hydraulic or bituminous binders for high grade applications (cement concrete and asphalt respectively)
- medium quality aggregates (designated as A2 in this article) used for road base layers
- and basic quality aggregates (designated as A1 in this article) used for foundations (roads, buildings and railways, tracks) and trenches.

Basic and medium quality aggregates, A1 and A2, are co-products of the quarry process: they are jointly produced with high quality aggregates A3 that are the quarries' main products. Thus, the system should account for total production of A1 as an output related to the total amount of A3 produced. The activities which are dedicated to A2 and A3 production in quarries should not be included based on an allocation method. Finally, the system should account for the transport of A1 from the quarry to the construction site for which they are provisioned.

Because a part of the CCDW are also sent to backfilling or inert landfill facilities, the system should also include their transport and waste treatment process. Backfilling is legally considered as a recovery process (JORE, 2015b), whereas inert landfilling is legally considered as a waste elimination process. However, both activities are identical processes and thus have identical environmental impacts. Consequently, both activities are considered as a single and identical process in the system model, called inert landfill.

Finally, because both BQA resources are constraints, i.e. they are not produced according to a market demand, but according to demolition activities for RCC and to A3 production for A1, stocks have to be considered, as their production may exceed the market demand. According to experts opinions, recycling facilities can temporarily stock CCDW, and produce RCC on demand. However, durable storage of CCDW is not allowed by law, and it was thus assumed that when the amount of CCDW exceeds the BQA market needs, it is sent for landfilling. Thus, the system model does not require a stock of CCDW.

Fig. 2. System model of the waste and resource management of BQA – indicated masses (ktonnes) concern the Loire Atlantique department in 2012.

Legend

	Process		Flow
	Stock		Market
D_{BQA}	ktonne.year ⁻¹		Annual market demand for BQA
$P_{A3} = D_{A3}$	ktonne.year ⁻¹		Annual market demand for A3 (production adjusted to demand)
D_{A2}	ktonne.year ⁻¹		Annual market demand for A2
D_{A1}	ktonne.year ⁻¹		Annual market demand for A1
D_{RCC}	ktonne.year ⁻¹		Annual market demand for RCC
P_{A1}	ktonne.year ⁻¹		Annual production of A1
P_{CCDW}	ktonne.year ⁻¹		Annual production of CCDW
L_{CCDW}	ktonne.year ⁻¹		Annual landfill and backfilling of CCDW
ΔS_{A1}	ktonne.year ⁻¹		Addition to stock of A1 aggregates
β_1	n.u.		Mass ratio of A1 to total production of the quarry

2.2 MFA of system at departmental scale

2.2.1 Stocks and flows of natural aggregates

The production of A3 is not constrained, i.e. production is adjusted to demand, thus it is assumed $P_{A3} = D_{A3}$. The market demand for A3 is calculated from markets of cement and bituminous concrete.

$$D_{A3} = P_{A3} = D_{A3CC} + D_{A3BC} \quad \text{Equation 1}$$

Where D_{A3} and P_{A3} are the total demand and total production respectively, assuming production is adjusted to demand, of the studied geographical area for A3 (tonne), D_{A3CC} and D_{A3BC} are the total demands for A3 (tonne) in the markets of cement concrete and bituminous concrete respectively in the same year.

D_{A3CC} can be estimated from the total demand for cement concrete (in cubic meters) in the studied geographical area using the following equation:

$$D_{A3CC} = M_{A3CC} \cdot D_{CC} \quad \text{Equation 2}$$

Where M_{A3CC} is the mass intensity of High Quality Aggregates in Cement Concrete (tonne aggregate.m⁻³ cement concrete) and D_{CC} is the annual total amount of market demand for cement concrete (m³) consumed in the studied geographical area.

According to the literature, the mass intensity M_{A3CC} is assumed 1.207 tonne.m⁻³ of cement concrete, corresponding to a cement concrete with a 40 MPa compressive strength (Etxeberria et al., 2007).

D_{A3BC} can be estimated from the total demand for bituminous concrete in the studied geographical area using the following equation:

$$D_{A3BC} = M_{A3BC} \cdot D_{BC} \quad \text{Equation 3}$$

Where M_{A3BC} is the mass intensity of High Quality Aggregates (tonne aggregate.tonne⁻¹ asphalt) and D_{BC} is the annual market demand for bituminous concrete (tonne) consumed in the studied geographical area.

M_{A3BC} is assumed equal to 0.95 (Ventura et al., 2008).

Productions of A1 and A2 (P_{A1} and P_{A2} , see Fig. 2) are derived from D_{A3} (obtained from Equation 1) using mass proportions of A1, A2 and A3 productions symbolized by β_1 , β_2 and β_3 respectively and defined in Equation 4.

$$\begin{aligned} P_{A1} &= \beta_1 \cdot P_T \\ P_{A2} &= \beta_2 \cdot P_T \\ P_{A3} &= \beta_3 \cdot P_T \end{aligned} \quad \text{Equation 4}$$

Where P_T is the total production of aggregates in the quarry in the studied geographical area, P_{A1} is the total production of A1 (tonne) in the quarry in the studied geographical area, P_{A2} is the total production of A2 (tonne) in the quarry in the studied geographical area and P_{A3} is the total production of A3 (tonne), β_1 , β_2 and β_3 are the average mass ratios of A1, A2 and A3 produced in the quarries respectively ($\beta_1 + \beta_2 + \beta_3 = 1$).

Productions of A1 and A2 can be calculated from the one of A3, as detailed in Equation 5.

$$\begin{aligned} P_{A1} &= \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_3} \cdot P_{A3} \\ P_{A2} &= \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_3} \cdot P_{A3} \end{aligned} \quad \text{Equation 5}$$

Demand for A1 is calculated from total demand in aggregates, and demands for A3 and A2.

$$D_{A1} = D_A - D_{A3} - D_{A2} \quad \text{Equation 6}$$

Where D_A is the total annual demand for aggregates in the studied geographical area, D_{A1} is the total demand for BQA in the studied geographical area, D_{A2} is the total demand for medium quality aggregates in the studied geographical area, and γ_2 is average mass ratio of market demand for A2 to market demand for A3.

2.2.2 Stocks and flows of Cement Concrete Demolition Waste

Amounts of CCDW sent to landfills can be expressed by Equation 7:

$$L_{CCDW} = P_{CCDW} - D_{RCC} \quad \text{Equation 7}$$

Where L_{CCDW} is the total annual mass of CCDW (tonne) that is disposed into the landfill, P_{CCDW} is the total mass of CCDW (tonne) produced in the same year and D_{RCC} is the market demand for RCC (tonne) in the same year.

2.3 Downscaling method

The downscaling method aims at estimating the amounts of CCDW produced in each demolition site, the total BQA consumed in each construction site, as well as the BQA production for each facility. After geo-location of activities, an algorithm is used to partition total flows at departmental scale between activities and calculate the corresponding transport distances.

2.3.1 Geo-location of construction/demolition sites and facilities

It first requires to build up a geo-spatial database of BQA providers, with all the quarries, recycling facilities and landfill facilities, with their production capacities in the studied geographical area. The way to build up this database can vary according to the existing local information. It is fully described in the following case study. The X-Y coordinates of the cities in which facilities are located have been identified from the DoGeocodeur website (DoGeocodeur, n.d.).

However, the geo-location of demolition and construction sites, i.e. CCDW producers and BQA consumers/buyers, cannot be known. It is thus assumed that the territory can be divided into several geographical segments, and that the centre of gravity of the population of each segment is a proxy for local demolition and construction sites. As a result, the number of buyers will equal the numbers of geographical segments that are considered. Equation 8 and Equation 9 give X_m and Y_m coordinates of construction/demolition site m^{th} on the map in geographical segment m^{th} .

$$X_m = \frac{\sum x_{j,m} * Pop_{j,m}}{\sum Pop_{j,m}} \quad \text{Equation 8}$$

Where $x_{j,m}$ is the position of unitary sector j^{th} in geographical segment m^{th} from X axis and $Pop_{j,m}$ is the population of the unitary sector j^{th} in geographical segment m^{th} . m is the numbers of the geographical segments on the given map.

$$Y_m = \frac{\sum y_{j,m} * Pop_{j,m}}{\sum Pop_{j,m}} \quad \text{Equation 9}$$

Where $y_{j,m}$ is the position of unitary sector j^{th} in geographical segment m^{th} from Y axis and $Pop_{j,m}$ is the population of the unitary sector j^{th} in geographical segment m^{th} . m is the numbers of the geographical segments on the given map.

2.3.2 BQA demand and CCDW production in a geographical segment

According to (Sandberg et al., 2016) the demand for construction materials is usually proportional to the population at country scale. Thus, it is assumed that this is also valid at the level of a geographical segmental. The demand of a buyer in a geographical segment for BQAs (either A1 or RCC) can be estimated from Equation 10.

$$D_{BQA_m} = \frac{Pop_m}{Pop} * D_{BQA} \quad \text{Equation 10}$$

Where D_{BQA_m} is the annual amount of BQAs demand (tonnes) in geographical segment m^{th} .

With the same assumption, production of CCDW can be calculated from:

$$P_{CCDW_m} = \frac{Pop_m}{Pop} * P_{CCDW} \quad \text{Equation 11}$$

Where P_{CCDW_m} is the annual production of CCDW (tonnes) in geographical segment m^{th} .

Consequently, the outputs of the algorithm are the following: (a) demands of a buyer for A1 (or RCC) from different quarries $D_{A1m,Qi}$, (or $D_{RCCm,Reci}$); and (b) distances travelled between the buyers of A1 (or RCC) and different quarries $d_{m,Qi}$ (or recycling facilities $d_{m,Reci}$).

Total tonne.kilometer for A1 (or RCC) from producer to market are calculated from Equation 12.

$$T_{DBQA} = \sum_{i,m} D_{BQA_{i,m}} * d_{i,m} * 2 \quad \text{Equation 12}$$

Where T_{DBQA} is the total tonne.kilometre resulting from the demand of BQA of buyers from different facilities in the studied geographical area, $D_{BQA_{i,m}}$ is the demand of buyer of geographical segment m for BQA from facility i (tonne) and $d_{i,m}$ is the distance between the buyer of geographical segment m and facility i (km), m is the index designating the geographical segments, i is the index designating the BQA production facility (either quarry or recycling facility). Coefficient 2 corresponds to the return trip (ecoinvent 3.3 cut-off database includes a part of 25% empty travels corresponding to return trips (Moreno Ruiz et al., 2016; Spielmann et al., 2007)).

Total tonne.kilometre for transport of CCDW from demolition site to recycling facilities are obtained from Equation 13.

$$T_{RCCDW} = \sum_{i=1 \text{ to } R} R_{CCDW_{i,m}} * d_{i,m} * 2 \quad \text{Equation 13}$$

Where T_{RCCDW} is the total tonne.kilometre resulting from the transportation of CCDW to recycling facilities in the studied geographical area, $R_{CCDW_{i,m}}$ is the amount of CCDW produced in geographical segment m and sent to the recycling facility i (tonne), and R is the number of recycling facilities in the geographical segment m .

The amount of unsold RCC is considered equal to the amount of CCDW sent to landfill L_{CCDW} in Equation 7.

Total tonne.kilometre for transport of CCDW from demolition site to landfill facilities are obtained from Equation 14.

$$T_{LCCDW} = \sum_{i=1 \text{ to } L} L_{CCDW_{i,m}} * d_{i,m} * 2 \quad \text{Equation 14}$$

Where T_{LCCDW} is the total tonne.kilometre resulting from the transportation of CCDW to landfill facilities in the studied geographical area, $L_{CCDW_{i,m}}$ is the amount of CCDW produced in geographical segment m and sent to the landfill facility L (tonne), L is the number of landfill facilities.

2.3.3 Downscaling algorithm

The developed algorithm is detailed in the Supporting Information (Fig. S 1). Total demands are known and corresponds to DA1 and DRCC (see Fig. 2), total additions to stocks are known and correspond to $\Delta SA1$ and $LCCDW$ (see Fig. 2). Assuming that the demand for RCC and A1 at the scale of the studied geographical area is valid in each geographical segment, the algorithm thus aims at calculating which providers have sold to which buyers, to obtain produced and stocked amounts of RCC and A1 in each facility. The choice of buyers between providers is done by increasing order of distance. Outputs of the algorithm are amounts sold and left material for each facility (quarries and recycling platforms) as well as transport distances for each type of resource (A1 and

RCC). These outputs are used in the LCA model in order to calculate the environmental impacts of this reference scenario.

Consequently, the outputs of the algorithm are: demands of a buyer for A1 (or RCC) from different quarries $D_{A1,i,m}$ ($D_{RCC,i,m}$), distances travelled between the buyers of A1 (or RCC) and different quarries $d_{A1,m}$ (or recycling facilities $d_{RCC,m}$).

2.4 LCA process models for activities

LCA is used to assess the environmental impacts of the system described in Fig. 2. Flows represented in the MFA model are intermediate reference flows in the LCA model. The LCA model is developed using OpenLCA 1.10 and the ecoinvent cut-off 3.3 database with some adaptations of existing processes. This database was chosen because it provides all the process models needed alongside with detailed written justifications. This allows for the modifications of some process models when justified, i.e. for adaptation to a different country, or for a more detailed model (such as the one presented below for the quarry process).

2.4.1 Quarry process

The actual quarry process is a multi-output process, which produces three products with different mass ratios, while the quarry process in the ecoinvent database has one single product. The process called “gravel production, crushed [CH]” was chosen from the ecoinvent cut-off 3.3 and adapted to model a new quarry process reflecting the three treatment lines producing the three qualities of aggregates A1, A2 and A3.

The newly modelled quarry process is detailed in Fig. 3. Each treatment line contains crushing and gridding processes that produces different categories of natural aggregates (A1, A2 or A3). The rocks extracted from the ground are crushed in the first treatment line. Some parts of the crushed gravels due to their quality (more friable) cannot pass through the secondary treatment. They are kept as BQA natural aggregates (A1). The rest is sent to the second treatment line. The most friable parts of the aggregates are kept as medium quality natural aggregates (A2). They cannot pass through the third treatment line. The rest are sent to the third treatment line and crushed into different sizes to produce high quality natural aggregates (A3).

The “gravel production, crushed [CH]” process was adapted to the French situation by considering the French electric mix. All its flows values were divided by three, corresponding to the three treatment lines, in order to model one single treatment line. Each treatment line producing A1, A2 and A3 was multiplied by factors F1, F2 and F3 respectively, corresponding to the partition of environmental impacts attributed to each quality of aggregates and calculated as indicated in Fig. 3. Only the part of quarry process corresponding to the production of A1 is included in the system as shown in Fig. 2.

Fig. 3. Quarry process model with three different treatment lines and three categories of products (A1, A2, A3), mass ratios and attribution of impact to each product. F1, F2 and F3 (n.u. mass ratios) are the fractions of environmental impacts of the quarry allocated to aggregates A1, A2 and A3 respectively, β_1 , β_2 and β_3 (n.u. mass ratios) are the mass ratios of output products of the quarry A1, A2 and A3 respectively, α_1 , α_2 and α_3 (n.u. mass ratios) are the fractions of aggregates A1, A2 and A3 produced by lines 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

2.4.2 Inert landfilling process

The “treatment of waste concrete, inert material landfill [CH]” process in the ecoinvent cut-off v3.3 database was considered as an inert landfilling process of CCDW. Electricity production and heat and power co-generation processes were adapted to the case of France.

2.4.3 Recycling process

The recycling process of CCDW is similar to crushing of aggregates in the quarry, but with a single treatment line. Thus, it is equivalent to a single treatment line as described above for the quarry process, but without a partition ratio as it provides a single product RCC. For recycling facilities, the flow corresponding to the infrastructure is multiplied by an Infrastructure Factor (IF) representing the actual use of the infrastructure for the recycling production activity. Indeed, these facilities operate with a mobile crusher that is only used a few weeks per year. According to expert judgment, for a 20,000 tonnes annual production, a mobile crusher is required for 3 weeks (8 hours a day excluding weekends) that makes a 0,057 annual use ratio for 20,000 tonnes, and thus $IF = 2.88 \times 10^{-6}$ for one tonne of produced RCC.

Three different types of recycling facilities are considered: (i) facilities dedicated to the recycling process, (ii) facilities that are jointly operated with a landfill facility, and (iii) facilities that are jointly operated with quarries. According to the type of recycling facility, different changes are made to adapt the process.

- **Dedicated recycling facilities:** the situation is the same as recycling facilities jointly operated with quarries. No infrastructure flows are considered except for the crusher.
- **Recycling facility jointly operated with landfill:** the recycling process is the same as the one defined for the dedicated recycling facilities. The infrastructure flow is considered as belonging to the landfill facility and no part of it is allocated to the recycling facility.
- **Recycling facilities jointly operated with quarries:** the infrastructure flow is considered as belonging to the quarry process and no part of it is allocated to the recycling facility, except for the crusher. Indeed, based on expert opinions, quarries do not use their own equipment for the production of recycled materials, but use additional mobile crushers.

2.4.4 Stocks of natural aggregates

Stocks in of A1 (see Fig. 2) are assumed to be similar to the process “process-specific burdens production, inert material landfill [CH]” in the ecoinvent cut-off v3.3 database, but without transportation and infrastructure flows. Indeed, these stocks are located in the quarries, thus not requiring transport nor specific additional infrastructures. Electricity production as well as heat and power co-generation processes were adapted to the case of France.

2.4.5 Transport process

A process “transport, freight, lorry > 32 metric ton, 2012 [FR]” has been modelled according to the composition of trucks for road transport in 2012 in France (CNR, 2013) presented in Table S 3 (see Supporting Information). This composition was used to model the transportation process in the system model for the studied geographical area, with EURO 0,1 and 2 considered as EURO 3 in the model. Knowing the positions of providers and construction/demolition sites (see previous section), allows calculating the distances between each construction/demolition site and each provider (see Table S 5 in Supporting Information).

2.4.6 Impact assessment

The International Reference Life Cycle Data System (ILCD) (Joint Research Centre, 2011) is used as the main life cycle impact assessment (LCIA) method (named ILCD 2011, midpoint [v1.0.10, August 2016]) in the OpenLCA 1.7.4 software. Impacts have also been normalized using Normalization factors JRC EU 27, 2010 available in the OpenLCA 1.7.4 software. Table S 4 (see section 2 in Supporting Information) provides calculated indicators, their units and their normalization factor.

2.5 Application to the Loire-Atlantique case study

This section deals with data used in this paper concerning the case of Loire-Atlantique. The data were from the year 2012. Although some data correspond to average values over 5 years (between 2011 and 2016), the diagnosis under study mainly refers to the year 2012.

2.5.1 Database creation for quarries and recycling facilities in Loire-Atlantique (sellers of basic quality aggregates)

A list of quarries with their postal addresses in Loire-Atlantique was obtained from the *Bureau de Recherches Géologiques et Minières* (BRGM) website (BRGM, n.d.). This list of quarries is presented in Supporting Information (Table S 6).

To obtain a list of recycling facilities in Loire-Atlantique containing different types of facilities (as discussed previously) different sources were used and different assumptions were made. The summary of assumptions

made to create the list of recycling facilities in Loire-Atlantique is presented in the Supporting Information (see Recycling facilities database creation and explanations provided).

2.5.2 Production capacities and mass ratios of quarries in Loire-Atlantique

Information regarding the annual authorized production of the quarries was provided on the BRGM website (BRGM, n.d.). However, according to the expert opinions, the amount usually produced is less than the maximum authorized production capacity. The developed model requires actual production of the quarries in a given year, but such information is not provided on the BRGM website. Fortunately, Charier Company provided access to the average annual actual production of its quarries over 5 years (from 2011 to 2016). A linear relationship between actual production and authorized production of Charier Company's quarries (see Fig. S 2 in Supporting Information) was observed. This linear relationship is extrapolated to other quarries in order to obtain their production. It is assumed that this relationship is representative of the economic situation between 2011 and 2016 in the region, as quarries in Charier Company represents approximately one third of the production in the region of Pays de la Loire (based on personal communication with Charier Company). The authorized and actual productions of the quarries in Loire-Atlantique are shown in Supporting Information (Table S 6).

Production proportions of A1, A2 and A3 for each quarry in Loire-Atlantique were not available. Therefore, some assumptions were made to estimate the production volume of each category of aggregates in the quarries. Coefficients β_1 , β_2 and β_3 respectively were estimated from the average of annual production between 2011 and 2016 in Charier Company's quarries (shown in Supporting Information Table S 7).

2.5.3 Production capacities of recycling facilities in Loire-Atlantique

There is no available data regarding the production capacities of the recycling facilities, except those obtained from Charier Company for two facilities (7,601 and 6,500 tonnes.year⁻¹).

RCC are assumed to be produced according to market demand, and this demand is assumed proportional to population in each segment. RCC demand was thus calculated at the level of each geographical segment, according to its population. For example, if a segment has 10% of the population of the Loire Atlantique department, it is assumed to represent 10% of the demand for RCC. Knowing the number of recycling facilities for each geographical segment, it is possible to calculate an average production capacity by dividing RCC

demand in a given segment by the number of recycling facilities in the same segment (see Table S 9 in Supporting Information). However, this calculation method can introduce bias, because a facility that is close to a border between two segments, can provide to both of them. This is especially the case for some recycling facilities located close to the border of geographical segment 5 (see Fig. 4) which is the main city of Loire Atlantique, with 50% of the total population. Segment 5 can be provided from facilities close to its border from geographical segments 1,2, 6, 7, 8 and 9. Thus, using an average production capacity by segment would lead to underestimate those close to the borders of segment 5. Thus, a coefficient was added to the calculation method, as shown in Equation 15:

$$Prod_{Ri} = r \cdot \frac{D_{RCC0,m}}{n_{Ri,m}} \quad \text{Equation 15}$$

Where $Prod_{Ri}$ (tonnes.year⁻¹) is the production capacity of recycling facility i and geographical segment m , $D_{RCC0,m}$ (tonnes.year⁻¹) the demand for RCC in geographical segment m , $n_{Ri,m}$ (integer) is the number of recycling facilities in geographical segment m , r (n.u.) is a coefficient added in order to avoid border effects.

The value of coefficient r was tested with a sensitivity analysis described (see Results).

2.5.4 Locations of buyers and sellers of basic quality aggregates on the map of Loire-Atlantique

As explained previously, the map of Loire-Atlantique was divided into 9 geographical segments. The aim was mainly to have similar populations in each geographical segment (see Fig. 4), except geographical segments 4 and 5 which have much higher populations compared to other geographical segments, since they are related to the main cities of Loire-Atlantique (Saint-Nazaire and Nantes respectively). Table S 10 in Supporting Information, details the population of each geographical segment in Fig. 4. Information regarding the total population in Loire-Atlantique is obtained from statistical data for year 2012.

The nine centres of gravities are representative of the BQA buyers in Loire-Atlantique. Locations of the BQA sellers in Loire-Atlantique are marked on the map (Fig. 4) according to the postal codes of the lists of sellers (quarries and recycling facilities presented in Table S 6 in Supporting Information).

Fig. 4. Map of Loire-Atlantique divided into nine geographical segments, with all sellers (quarries and recycling facilities) and nine construction or demolition site (buyers) as population centre of gravities of each geographical segment in Loire-Atlantique, France, using a geographical information system.

As can be noticed in Fig. 4, there are few quarries in geographical segments 4 and 5, which have the highest population density and subsequently are expected to have higher demands for BQAs. Quarries are mainly located in other segments corresponding to areas with low population density. On the contrary, recycling facilities are mainly located in the densely populated areas. They are close to the places where higher CCDW production and BQA demand are expected.

2.5.5 Productions and consumptions of materials in Loire-Atlantique

Data from literature, statistics and facilities were used to estimate the production and consumption of materials in the regional CCDW management model (Fig. 2) in Loire-Atlantique in 2012.

A report of the Regional Economic Unit for Construction (CERC) provided a detailed MFA of Loire Atlantique C&DW in 2012 (CERC, 2013). Data concerning all waste flows and their destinations (landfill, quarry filling, recycling...) are obtained from a previous local report (CERC, 2013) .

The CERC report estimates that total C&DW represents 2,455,000 tonnes for the Loire Atlantique region. Amongst them 2,381,000 tonnes are for inert waste (97%) and 74,000 tonnes for other waste (non-dangerous and dangerous) (CERC, 2013). Detailed tables derived from the CERC report (CERC, 2013) are provided in the Supporting Information (Table S 11 to Table S 16).

In order to figure out the total consumption of materials in the regional CCDW management system in Loire-Atlantique in 2012, the CERC database was used as the main source. However, some assumptions were made based on Charier Company's database to obtain some missing data. They are discussed in detail as follows.

The CERC database provides the total consumption of cement concrete in Loire-Atlantique in 2012 from which the total demand for A3 used in cement concrete can be calculated based on Equation 2. The CERC database also provides data on production of bituminous concrete in 2012 in Loire-Atlantique, but not on consumption. Therefore, it was assumed that bituminous concrete is produced up to the amounts that are consumed, which is justified by the fact that bituminous concrete cannot be stored. Indeed, it is produced at temperatures between 100°C and 160°C and must be warm enough (around 90°C) to be applied as a road layer. As a result, the total demand for A3 used in bituminous concrete is calculated based on Equation 3. Accordingly, the total demand for A3 in 2012 in Loire-Atlantique is obtained from Equation 1.

Subsequently, the total productions of A1 and A2 are estimated from Equation 5, using mass ratios from Table S 7. However, no precise data were found regarding the demands for A1 and A2. The total demands for A1, A2 and A3 from Charier Company's quarries are known (see details Table S 8 in Supporting Information), from which demand proportions, i.e mass ratios for γ_1 and γ_2 are calculated. It is assumed that Charier's mass ratios are representative of all quarries in Loire-Atlantique. Therefore, these mass ratios were used to estimate the total demands for A1 and A2, D_{A1} and D_{A2} respectively, in Loire-Atlantique in 2012.

In addition, the CERC database provides the total demand for RCC, D_{RCC} , in Loire-Atlantique in 2012 that is $D_{RCC} = 129,600$ tonnes.

As BQAs can be provided by both quarries and recycling facilities, the total demand for BQAs, D_{BQA} , in the BQA market (BQA market Fig. 2) in Loire-Atlantique in 2012 is the summation of D_{A1} and D_{RCC} in 2012 in

Loire-Atlantique. Subsequently, the total demand of each of the nine buyers for BQAs in each of the nine geographical segments (see Fig. 4) was estimated from Equation 10.

3 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

3.1 MFA of the CCDW management in Loire-Atlantique

Fig. 5 shows the material flows of the departmental C&D inert waste management as inputs to destinations in Loire-Atlantique in 2012 derived from the CERC report (CERC, 2013) (for detailed numbers, see Table S 11 to Table S 16 in Supporting Information). Fig. 5 shows that inert C&DW are mainly composed of excavated soil (1,735,000 tonnes) and of a mix of materials in second position (301,100 tonnes). No information was given about its composition.

Recycling platforms (see Table S 14 in appendix) do not exclusively receive 129,600 tonnes of CCDW, but also receive amounts of waste gravels (71,700 tonnes), asphalt (9,800 tonnes), excavated soil (17,400 tonnes) and mixed materials (21,100 tonnes), for a total of 120,000 tonnes of additional material. The amount of CCDW produced in the Loire Atlantique department is $P_{CCDW} = 144,000$ tonnes, whereas the amount of RCC exiting the recycling platforms is $D_{RCC} = 129,600$ tonnes (see Table S 14 obtained from the CERC report). The amount of landfilled CCDW is given $L_{CCDW} = 7,200$ tonnes, and the CERC report also specifies that 7,200 tonnes of CCDW are sent to temporary storage. However, it is assumed that this amount was calculated to reach mass conservation of CCDW but that it may correspond to material loss in the recycling platform, due to its technical efficiency (see Fig. 2), defined as defined as the ratio of output product out of input material. Consequently, the technical efficiency of recycling platforms is estimated to be 95%.

Fig. 5. MFA of inert C&DW management in Loire-Atlantique in 2012: types of input flows to their destinations. All units are kilotonnes (kt)

Mass flows obtained for the system model are summarized in Fig. 2. As concerns natural aggregates, approximately 4,908,200 tonnes of natural aggregates are produced in the Loire Atlantique department. Tertiary aggregates (A3) calculated from amounts of cement concrete ($D_{A3CC} = 1,327,700$ tonnes) and bituminous concrete ($D_{A3BC} = 812,300$ tonnes) according to Equation 1-Equation 3, are found to be the largest amount of natural aggregates produced ($PA3 = 2,140,000$ tonnes). The amount of BQA available in 2012 is constituted by $P_{A1} = 1,850,400$ tonnes (calculated from Equation 4) and $D_{RCC} = 129,600$ tonnes, whereas the demand for BQA market is estimated below this production with $D_{BQA} = 1,806,300$ tonnes. Finally, the market share for BQA in Loire Atlantique in 2012 is found to be $f_{RCC0} = 7.2\%$ (129,600 tonnes out of 1,806,300 tonnes) for recycled materials. Despite their high market share $f_{A10} = 92.8\%$, A1 are produced in excess compared to the market demand, and the addition to stock of A1 in quarries is $\Delta S_{A10} = 173,600$ tonnes in 2012.

3.2 Sensitivity analysis on production capacities of recycling facilities

As production capacities of recycling facilities are not known, a sensitivity analysis on the r coefficient (see Equation 15) was conducted. When production capacities are expected to be very flexible (high value of r coefficient), the amount of materials transported is found to decrease (Fig. 6), indicating that transport distances decrease, especially those concerning the highest demand segments (B4 and B5). Recycling facilities closest to the highest market demand remain the only providers, which explains that result: this is showed by an increase of the number of inactive recycling facilities (those that do not sell any material, see **Erreur ! Source du renvoi introuvable.** in Supporting Information). When the production capacities coefficient is above 5, the number of inactive facilities remains constant at 39 out of 55 recycling facilities identified in the Loire Atlantique department.

Fig. 6. Effect of production capacities of recycling facilities on transported amounts for each geographical segment

3.3 Environmental impacts at territorial scale

Fig. 7 shows the relative contributions of each activity for each impact category considered for the BQA management system. In that figure, each activity gathers on-site and off-site related productions. The two most important contributing processes are transportation and A1 production which each range between 25% and 70% for all impacts except for water resource depletion. The highest contribution of the landfilling process is for the land use indicator, but even then, its contribution is very small, below 5%. Although similar to the quarry process, the recycling process is always a smaller contributor, due to the small amounts of CCDW that are recycled. Storage of A1 in quarries does not appear as an important contributor to any environmental impact.

Fig. 7. Contributions of processes contributions including background off-site activities to environmental impacts for basic quality aggregate management system in Loire Atlantique in 2012

Fig. 8 provides the same results as Fig. 7, but only accounting for the on-site contribution of each activity. On-site activities are considerably reduced, especially A1 production, showing that their impacts mainly occur off-site. The main contributor to impacts of A1 production is electricity production, which corresponds to the French average mix. Impacts of off-site activities occurring in France are not very important except for ionising

radiations indicators. These indicators are totally driven by the French nuclear electricity production and thus represent electricity consumed in A1 and RCC production. A better model including local electricity production would probably increase the on-site impacts of A1 production, especially because of a local power plant fuelled with coal. Transports are confirmed being the main on-site contribution to all environmental impacts.

Fig. 8. Contributions of processes of on and off-site activities to environmental impacts for BQA management system in Loire Atlantique in 2012

4 DISCUSSION

The decision-based territorial MFA of Loire Atlantique shows that, the majority of the CCDW produced is already recycled, and thus very little CCDW is available for sale especially when compared to existing A1 stocks (Fig. 2 and Fig. 5). However, the data collected for that MFA are based on publicly available market sales for

RCC and A1, as well as on admissions of CCDW into landfill and recycling facilities. It seems that many local companies have diversified activities in such fields as building demolition, quarries, recycling facilities, earthworks and road construction, as well as inert landfill facilities. This local market structure favours internal recovery, reuse or recycling of CCDW. These quantities do not show up on the market. Interviews with many stakeholders confirmed that an important part of CCDW was not going through the market but was internally recovered, reused or recycled instead.

The results (Fig. 8) show that local transport is the main contributor to on-site environmental impacts. In addition, the sensitivity analysis of the production capacities of recycling facilities, showed that increasing their production would lead to a considerable reduction of transported amounts. Indeed, facilities with high capacity, close to high demand segments, would be privileged by buyers. The sensitivity analysis was conducted in order to test the influence of this unknown parameter, and it is found to be very influent. These results reveal the possibility of land planning scenarios concerning inert waste recycling facilities: in Loire Atlantique territory, a PRPGD enabling high production capacities for recycling facilities located closest to the main cities with the highest BQA demand, can divide the need for transport by a factor of 2.

These results cannot be generalised to other geographical area. First, the size of the area studied is an important modelling question. Indeed, if the area is too small border effects can be expected, i.e. materials could be imported or exported in quarries or recycling platforms outside the studied area but close to the border. This was not an issue for the case study, as the CERC report (CERC, 2013) estimates that imports and exports of inert waste is less than 1%. In a different situation, it would be important to increase the size of the geographical area considered to limit border effects, or to include in the database outside facilities which are close to the border. Subject to this precaution, the environmental model for CCDW management developed in this article can be applied to any geographical area by using local data and considering local conditions. Second, the presented results are very dependent on existing local facilities and local CCDW and A1 resources. Indeed, CCDW resource was found a particularly small resource compared to A1, due to an important number of quarries in the territory. Although the model seems applicable to other geographical areas, results would certainly differ.

The herein developed approach differs from existing territorial LCAs by the method used to define the system model. The foreground system model is defined according to an action perimeter, located inside the studied

geographical area, and inside which there are physical or economic relationships between flows. In that way, the foreground system model is obtained in accordance with an LCA approach (Frischknecht, 1998) considering an objective, an action perimeter, intermediary flows between production processes and possibly economic relationships through markets. The background system includes all flows related to the initial foreground system that are out of the action perimeter, however their exact location is unknown, and they are by default, considered off-site.

It is important to notice that the developed method provides a picture of a situation for a given year, thus it is not a dynamic method. To evolve towards temporal simulations, data collection for actual stocks of different materials inside quarries and recycling platforms would be required. Such data are not available. Assuming that 2012 is a starting point, the evolution of stocks could be estimated if regular data on waste production and destinations were produced. Indeed, CERC regularly collects data on economic markets (monthly), but surveys on waste management are not that frequent. These data are difficult to obtain, and several assumptions and extrapolations from a reduced set of data mainly obtained from the Charier Company were necessary. Real data would consolidate the model, and provide more accuracy for future waste management scenarios. If this approach were to be used by local authorities, it is recommended to develop a local observatory in order to collect these data to feed the herein developed model. This would facilitate the elaboration of strategies for C&DW management.

5 CONCLUSION

In this paper a decision-based territorial LCA was conducted. It differs from existing territorial LCAs, as it focuses on a specific system concerning specific stakeholders. This approach proves to be very useful for the stakeholders concerned because it provides insights for future actions.

The case study in the Loire Atlantique department shows that very little Cement Concrete Demolition Waste (CCDW) was actually produced in 2012. Thus, although 90% of what is available on the market is recovered as Recycled Cement Concrete (RCC) and used as a secondary resource for Basic Quality Aggregates (BQA), the recycling activity is not found to be significant. However, these results do not account for internal recycling in construction companies, which could be much more important than commonly expected, according to what

experts say. Despite a small amount of available secondary resource, the primary resource of BQA (A1) is overproduced compared to the market demand, because these primary and secondary BQA resources are both constrained products: their production respectively depends on High Quality Aggregate production for A1 and building demolition for RCC. The environmental impacts of the BQA management system are found to be very dependent on off-site activities. For on-site activities, they are mainly driven by the transport of these materials from production sites to construction sites and/or landfills. Thanks to a sensitivity analysis on the production capacity of recycling facilities, it was shown that there was an important land planning issue. Compared to the current situation in 2012, with small recycling facilities distributed all over the Loire Atlantique department, a concentration of fewer recycling facilities with high authorised production capacities in main cities, close to where CCDW is mainly produced, would divide transport needs by 2 and thus considerably reduce environmental impacts.

The model of the current 2012 situation could allow to investigate how an increase in the market share of recycled aggregates would affect the environmental performance of the aggregate production and management in the Loire Atlantique department. This requires developing a local market mechanism model to reflect the decision procedures of the buyers making choices between the two sources of basic quality aggregates (natural and recycled) in the market. This is the purpose of a next paper.

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Supporting Information

1 ACRONYMS AND SYMBOLS

Table S 1. Acronyms

Acronym	Description
A3	High Quality (tertiary) Aggregates from quarries
A2	Medium Quality (secondary) Aggregates from quarries
A1	Basic Quality (primary) Aggregates from quarries
BC	Bituminous Concrete
BQA	Basic Quality Aggregates from both quarries or recycling facilities
CC	Cement Concrete
CCDW	Cement Concrete Demolition Waste
C&DW	Construction and Demolition Waste
ILCD	International Reference Life Cycle Data System
LCA	Life Cycle Assessment
LCIA	Life Cycle Impact Assessment
PRPGD	Plan Régional de Prévention et de Gestion des Déchets (Regional Program for Waste Prevention and Management)
MFA	Material Flow Analysis
RCC	Recycled Cement Concrete: Basic Quality Aggregates from recycling facilities

Table S 2. Symbols in equations

Symbol	Unit	Description
D_A	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of market Demand for all aggregates
D_{BQA}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of market Demand for BQA
D_{A3CC}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of market Demand for A3 to be used in Cement Concrete
D_{A3BC}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of market Demand for A3 to be used in Bituminous Concrete
D_{A3}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of market Demand for A3 (total)
D_{A2}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of market Demand for A2
D_{A1}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of market Demand for A1
D_{RCC}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of market Demand for RCC
P_{A3}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of produced A3
P_{A2}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of produced A2
P_{A1}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of produced A1
P_{CCDW}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of produced CCDW
L_{CCDW}	tonne.year ⁻¹	Annual amount of produced CCDW sent to Landfill
M_{A3CC}	tonne.m ⁻³	Mass intensity of A3 in Cement Concrete
D_{A3CC}	m ³ .year ⁻¹	Annual amount of A3 market Demand for Cement Concrete
M_{A3BC}	n.u (mass ratio)	Mass intensity of A3 in Bituminous Concrete
D_{BC}	m ³ .year ⁻¹	Annual amount of market Demand for Bituminous Concrete
β_3	n.u (mass ratio)	Average mass ratio of A3 produced in a quarry
β_2	n.u (mass ratio)	Average mass ratio of A2 produced in a quarry
β_1	n.u (mass ratio)	Average mass ratio of A1 produced in a quarry
TRE	n.u (mass ratio)	Mass ratio of loss material in the recycling process (Technical efficiency of

Symbol	Unit	Description
		the recycling facility)
F1	n.u (mass ratio)	Fraction of environmental impact of the quarry allocated to A1 aggregates
F2	n.u (mass ratio)	Fraction of environmental impact of the quarry allocated to A2 aggregates
F3	n.u (mass ratio)	Fraction of environmental impact of the quarry allocated to A3 aggregates
F _i	integer	Number of facilities producing BQA in the studied geographical area
F _{i,m}	integer	Number of facilities producing BQA in the geographical segment m
R _i	integer	Number of recycling facilities producing RCC in the studied geographical area
R _{i,m}	integer	Number of recycling facilities producing RCC in the geographical segment m
Q _i	integer	Number of quarries producing A1 in the studied geographical area
Q _{i,m}	integer	Number of quarries producing A1 in the geographical segment m
L _i	integer	Number of landfill facilities receiving CCDW in the studied geographical area
L _{i,m}	integer	Number of landfill facilities receiving CCDW in the geographical segment m
d _{i,m}	km	Distance between a facility i and the population centre of gravity of geographical segment m
TD _{BQA}	tonne.kilometre	total ton-kilometer resulting from the transport of BQA to buyers from different facilities in the geographical area
i	integer	Index indicating a facility producing BQA (either landfill, quarry or recycling facility)
j	integer	Index indicating a unitary sector according to the available population geographical database in the studied geographical area
m	integer	Index indicating a geographical segment in the studied geographical area
Pop	integer	Total population in the studied geographical area
X _m	km	Coordinate: X axis position of population centre of gravity in geographical segment m
Y _m	km	Coordinate: Y axis position of population centre of gravity in geographical segment m

2 DETAILS OF DATA USED FOR LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT

Table S 3. Average composition of trucks' engines in 2012 in France

Type of engine	Percentage of lorries
EURO 0,1 and 2	2.6 %
EURO 3	15.6 %
EURO 4	29.3 %
EURO 5	52.5 %

Table S 4. LCIA methods used for calculating different environmental impact indicators and related normalization factors.

Impact category	Reference unit	Normalization factor JRC EU 27, 2010 (person.year ⁻¹)
Acidification	Mole H ⁺ eq.	47.3
Climate change	kg CO ₂ eq.	9,220.0
Freshwater ecotoxicity	CTUe	8,740.0
Freshwater eutrophication	kg P eq.	1.48
Human toxicity - carcinogenics	CTUh	3.69E-5
Human toxicity - non-carcinogenics	CTUh	5.33E-4
Ionizing radiation - ecosystems	CTUe	-
Ionizing radiation - human health	kg U235 eq.	1,130.0
Land use	kg SOC	74,800.0
Marine eutrophication	kg N eq.	16.9
Ozone depletion	kg CFC-11 eq.	0.02
Particulate matter/Respiratory inorganics	kg PM _{2.5} eq.	3.8
Photochemical ozone formation	kg C ₂ H ₄ eq.	31.7
Resource depletion - mineral, fossils and renewables	kg Sb eq.	0.1
Resource depletion - water	m ³	81.4
Terrestrial eutrophication	Mole N eq.	176.0

3 DETAILS OF CALCULATED TRANSPORT DISTANCES BETWEEN FACILITIES AND CENTRE OF GRAVITY OF GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS

Table S 5. Distances (km) between buyers (population centre of gravity of geographical segments) and sellers (quarries and recycling facilities) in Loire Atlantique

geographical segment	Buyer Seller	BUYER 1	BUYER 2	BUYER 3	BUYER 4	BUYER 5	BUYER 6	BUYER 7	BUYER 8	BUYER 9
1	Q1	9.07	77.27	99.29	65.45	41.08	34.1	79	40.82	73.6
1	Q2	22.23	60.32	81.8	79.65	24.2	46.09	72.06	20.04	55.69
1	Q3	22.23	60.32	81.8	79.65	24.2	46.09	72.06	20.04	55.69
2	Q4	93.68	35.22	50.98	53.19	64.44	70.86	28.05	85.46	71.97
2	Q5	70.28	17.07	23.15	71.64	35.82	76.95	47.98	50.84	24.67
2	Q6	57.69	24.08	37.16	65.66	23.23	64.36	45.5	39.95	27.76
2	Q7	72.26	1.95	32.92	56.06	38.9	72.14	32.4	59.69	41.75
2	Q8	72.26	1.95	32.92	56.06	38.9	72.14	32.4	59.69	41.75
2	Q9	57.55	26.67	37.76	74.26	25.14	65	53.96	35.98	19.36
3	Q10	87.33	37.92	23.97	95.81	54.93	94.79	72.15	61.07	24.95
3	Q11	95.72	30.47	11.95	86.65	62.37	102.4	62.51	77.71	49.7
3	Q12	94.07	49.53	30.53	106.94	61.56	101.43	83.56	64.96	31.05
3	Q13	83.82	28.11	16.29	86	51.41	91.28	62.34	62.26	28.02
3	Q14	106.38	44.32	13.34	100.82	72.32	113.45	77.16	84.82	53.58
4	Q15	63.61	42.76	73.73	18.93	47.31	33.92	15.85	69.43	73.38
4	Q16	39.56	69.86	100.83	28.89	45.07	9.88	42.44	59.8	78.74
4	Q17	79.73	55.55	84.29	20.93	65.73	50.04	21.38	88.65	87.09
5	Q18	28.09	44.82	68.12	63.98	9.57	34.63	53.26	23.06	43.23

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geographical segment	Buyer Seller	BUYER 1	BUYER 2	BUYER 3	BUYER 4	BUYER 5	BUYER 6	BUYER 7	BUYER 8	BUYER 9
6	Q19	26.93	75.19	98.64	36.61	41.36	2.74	50.16	55.71	75.04
6	Q20	25.74	67.35	90.81	47.73	33.52	13.92	61.29	48.25	67.2
6	Q21	13.29	61.51	84.97	52.97	27.69	19.1	66.52	42.04	61.36
6	Q22	28.21	61.98	85.44	44.36	28.15	15.01	57.91	42.88	61.83
7	Q23	69.46	25.91	56.88	38.88	40.23	54.97	10.94	63.16	57.48
7	Q24	69.46	25.91	56.88	38.88	40.23	54.97	10.94	63.16	57.48
7	Q25	68.13	27.64	58.61	32.3	38.9	48.39	11.32	61.83	58.27
7	Q26	68.13	27.64	58.61	32.3	38.9	48.39	11.32	61.83	58.27
7	Q27	82.87	43.65	71.53	32.03	54.99	53.19	10.76	77.91	76.41
7	Q28	81.77	28.28	56.16	44.28	52.54	60.27	13.64	75.41	64.68
8	Q29	39.52	51.29	66.99	79.07	16.56	51.02	66.05	6.96	36.96
8	Q30	40.44	63.12	79.33	89.45	26.94	60.85	76.43	5.57	40.86
8	Q31	48.62	61.52	72.95	89.67	27.16	61.62	76.66	9.74	32.62
9	Q32	72.16	33.9	33.05	84.2	39.75	79.62	63.9	48.29	12.59
9	Q33	72.16	33.9	33.05	84.2	39.75	79.62	63.9	48.29	12.59
1	R1	9.07	77.27	99.29	65.45	41.08	34.1	79	40.82	73.6
1	R2	22.23	60.32	81.8	79.65	24.2	46.09	72.06	20.04	55.69
1	R3	22.23	60.32	81.8	79.65	24.2	46.09	72.06	20.04	55.69
2	R4	82.27	16.39	16.72	72.57	48.92	88.66	48.91	65.01	38.79
2	R5	57.92	24.51	36.73	66.09	23.45	64.59	45.93	40.18	27.33
2	R6	57.55	26.67	37.76	74.26	25.14	65	53.96	35.98	19.36
3	R7	97.41	35.35	4.37	91.85	63.35	104.48	68.19	75.85	43.18
3	R8	91.91	35.25	9.85	93.14	59.5	99.36	69.48	70.35	36.1
3	R9	83.2	40.27	30.84	95.59	50.71	90.57	72.04	54.75	20.67
3	R10	23.72	72.91	96.36	39.83	39.08	5.96	53.38	53.43	72.76
3	R11	94.07	49.53	30.53	106.94	61.56	101.43	83.56	64.96	31.05

geographical segment	Buyer Seller	BUYER 1	BUYER 2	BUYER 3	BUYER 4	BUYER 5	BUYER 6	BUYER 7	BUYER 8	BUYER 9
3	R12	87.33	37.92	23.97	95.81	54.93	94.79	72.15	61.07	24.95
3	R13	96.56	34.5	3.53	91	62.5	103.64	67.34	75	43.44
4	R14	84.3	76.43	105.17	21.71	83.59	54.62	42.25	105.72	107.96
4	R15	54.7	49.64	80.61	10.02	55.47	25.02	22.22	76.67	80.26
4	R16	54.7	49.64	80.61	10.02	55.47	25.02	22.22	76.67	80.26
4	R17	54.7	49.64	80.61	10.02	55.47	25.02	22.22	76.67	80.26
4	R18	54.7	49.64	80.61	10.02	55.47	25.02	22.22	76.67	80.26
4	R19	39.56	69.86	100.83	28.89	45.07	9.88	42.44	59.8	78.74
4	R20	63.61	42.76	73.73	18.93	47.31	33.92	15.85	69.43	73.38
4	R21	79.73	55.55	84.29	20.93	65.73	50.04	21.38	88.65	87.09
4	R22	54.7	49.64	80.61	10.02	55.47	25.02	22.22	76.67	80.26
4	R23	54.7	49.64	80.61	10.02	55.47	25.02	22.22	76.67	80.26
5	R24	36.85	35.68	57.85	64.35	1.75	43.46	50.29	23.25	35.06
5	R25	35.1	41.26	65.26	59.25	10.71	41.77	47.4	30.22	46.17
5	R26	33.18	38.16	61.05	59.65	3.77	39.85	46.64	25.9	39.23
5	R27	39.81	41.06	65.06	54.1	14.32	46.48	42.25	34.56	49.79
5	R28	37.22	38.87	58.85	66.91	4.31	43.83	52.85	22.51	32.81
5	R29	28.09	44.82	68.12	63.98	9.57	34.63	53.26	23.06	43.23
5	R30	37.22	38.87	58.85	66.91	4.31	43.83	52.85	22.51	32.81
5	R31	39.81	41.06	65.06	54.1	14.32	46.48	42.25	34.56	49.79
5	R32	37.22	38.87	58.85	66.91	4.31	43.83	52.85	22.51	32.81
5	R33	36.85	35.68	57.85	64.35	1.75	43.46	50.29	23.25	35.06
5	R34	106.87	44.81	13.84	101.31	72.81	113.95	77.65	85.31	54.08
5	R35	54.95	35.37	66.34	41.21	26.69	56.66	29.36	48.82	60.35
6	R36	20.91	69.9	93.36	42.84	36.08	8.97	56.39	50.43	69.75
6	R37	28.21	61.98	85.44	44.36	28.15	15.01	57.91	42.88	61.83

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geographical segment	Buyer Seller	BUYER 1	BUYER 2	BUYER 3	BUYER 4	BUYER 5	BUYER 6	BUYER 7	BUYER 8	BUYER 9
6	R38	72.16	33.9	33.05	84.2	39.75	79.62	63.9	48.29	12.59
6	R39	69.43	28.94	59.91	32.2	40.2	48.29	10.94	63.12	59.56
7	R40	58.16	28.77	59.74	37.12	28.93	53.2	23.32	51.85	57.12
7	R41	37.22	38.87	58.85	66.91	4.31	43.83	52.85	22.51	32.81
7	R42	69.43	28.94	59.91	32.2	40.2	48.29	10.94	63.12	59.56
7	R43	69.46	25.91	56.88	38.88	40.23	54.97	10.94	63.16	57.48
8	R44	46.37	49.72	62.75	83.65	21.41	56.79	69.58	13.83	26
8	R45	57.4	59.24	63.38	94.8	32.57	67.82	80.74	18.67	23.05
8	R46	48.62	61.52	72.95	89.67	27.16	61.62	76.66	9.74	32.62
8	R47	40.32	63.06	78.76	90.02	27.51	61.43	77.01	5	40.29
8	R48	48.62	61.52	72.95	89.67	27.16	61.62	76.66	9.74	32.62
8	R49	29.53	69.76	91.24	87.26	33.61	53.4	81.47	22.03	59.84
8	R50	37.64	53.37	69.07	79.79	17.28	51.19	66.77	6.21	37.67
8	R51	45.62	68.49	84.09	96.27	33.76	67.26	83.26	11.98	44.04
9	R52	54.5	40.62	49.17	84.17	23.14	62.27	67.91	29.42	15.94
9	R53	81.92	53.25	45.13	102.04	50.87	90.73	81.74	48.25	17.86
9	R54	54.5	40.62	49.17	84.17	23.14	62.27	67.91	29.42	15.94
9	R55	13.29	61.51	84.97	52.97	27.69	19.1	66.52	42.04	61.36

4 DOWNSCALING ALGORITHM

The algorithm identifies the first chosen provider for a given construction site (buyer), by the minimum transportation distance for the reference scenario.

At the next step, the algorithm tests if enough resource (either RCC or A1) is available.

- If the A1 demand exceeds the A1 resource, all quarries exit the loop
- If the RCC demand exceeds the RCC resource, all recycling facilities exit the loop.

At the next step, the algorithm tests whether the chosen provider can meet the demand of the construction site as follows:

- If the demand of the given buyer (for A1 or RCC) is more than the production of the seller (quarry or recycling facility respectively), the seller sells as much of the product as it can produce (i.e. its remaining production capacity) and cannot sell product (A1 or RCC) anymore to any other buyers (“the facility (seller) exits the loop”).
- Otherwise, the buyer buys A1 or RCC from the chosen seller as much as it requires and will not buy A1 or RCC anymore from other sellers (“the buyer exits the loop”).

The routine is iterated until the demands of all buyers for BQA (or A1 and RCC considered separately in the reference scenario) are met (all buyers have exited the loop).

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5 DETAILS OF DATA FOR LOIRE ATLANTIQUE CASE STUDY

5.1 Quarries in Loire Atlantique

Table S 6. List of quarries in Loire-Atlantique (brgm, 2016)

Quarry's number	Geographical segment	Authorized Production (tonne)	Estimated production (tonne)	Estimated A1 production (tonne)
Q1	1	50,000	50,000	18,850
Q2	1	350,000	159,451	60,113
Q3	1	550,000	279,551	105,391
Q4	2	40,000	40,000	15,080
Q5	2	150,000	39,351	14,835
Q6	2	600,000	309,576	116,710
Q7	2	150,000	39,351	14,835
Q8	2	42,000	42,000	15,834
Q9	2	1,000,000	549,776	207,266
Q10	3	550,000	99,401	37,474
Q11	3	350,000	159,451	60,113
Q12	3	1,200,000	669,876	252,543
Q13	3	120,000	21,336	8,044
Q14	3	150,000	39,351	14,835
Q15	4	1,000,000	600,000	226,200
Q16	4	450,000	219,501	82,752
Q17	4	2,500,000	1,400,000	527,800
Q18	5	1,000,000	549,776	207,266
Q19	6	1,000,000	549,776	207,266
Q20	6	600,000	309,576	116,710
Q21	6	300,000	129,426	48,794
Q22	6	830,000	447,691	168,780
Q23	7	300,000	100,000	37,700
Q24	7	160,000	45,356	17,099
Q25	7	600,000	309,576	116,710
Q26	7	400,000	189,476	71,433
Q27	7	300,000	129,426	48,794
Q28	7	600,000	309,576	116,710
Q29	8	600,000	550,000	207,350
Q30	8	830,000	447,691	168,780
Q31	8	600,000	309,576	116,710
Q32	9	250,000	99,401	37,474
Q33	9	200,000	69,376	26,155

Fig. S 2. Actual production versus authorized production in the quarries of Charier Company

Table S 7. Production and mass ratios of the products in Charier Company's quarries located in Pays de la Loire, France

Products in the quarries	Production in Charier Company's quarries (tonne)	Mass ratio (%)
A1	1,408,000	$\beta_1 = 37.7$
A2	698,000	$\beta_2 = 18.7$
A3	1,632,000	$\beta_3 = 43.6$
Total	3,738,000	100

Table S 8. Demand for the products and related mass ratios in Charier Company's quarries

Products in the quarries	Demands from Charier Company's quarries (tonne)	Demand mass ratios to A3 (%)	Demand in Loire Atlantique in 2012
A1	1,197,500	75	1,605,000
A2	719,000	45	963,000
A3	1,596,000	100	2,140,000

5.2 Recycling facilities database creation

Fig. S 3. Summary of sources used and assumptions made to create the list of recycling facilities in Loire-Atlantique.

A database of all classified activities with their postal addresses was obtained from the French administration for Environment, Planning and Housing website (DREAL, 2019). We extracted data for *Loire-Atlantique* using the “nomenclature of classified installations”¹ provides numbers for the following activities:

- 2510 : quarry operation (exploitation de carrières)
- 2515 : grinding, crushing, ... and other mineral products or inert non-hazardous waste (« Broyage, concassage, ...et autres produits minéraux ou déchets inertes non dangereux »)
- 2517: mineral products with non-hazardous waste inerts (transit) (« produits minéraux ou déchets inertes non dangereux (transit) »)

The identification of the recycling facilities was conducted using the following procedure:

¹ “nomenclature des installations classées”

- Activities '2515' that had common addresses with activities '2517' were assumed to be recycling facilities jointly operating with the landfills. We know according to the facility owners that, some inert landfills can rent mobile crushers that crush demolished wastes to produce recycled products.
- Activities '2515' that had common addresses with activities '2510' were assumed to be crushers for natural aggregates, not for the mineral wastes.
- Activities '2515' that had a common address with both activities '2517' and '2510' were assumed to be recycling facilities jointly operating with the quarries. Indeed, this implies that quarries receive wastes beside quarry operation.
- Activities '2515' that had no common addresses with both activities '2517' and '2510' were assumed to be dedicated recycling facilities.

Finally, the list of recycling facilities obtained was compared with the recycling facilities found on the FFB website (FFB, 2016) and Charier Company's² recycling facilities. Accordingly, some recycling facilities that had not been found on the DREAL website were added to the list of recycling facilities. The final list of recycling facilities in Loire-Atlantique is presented in **Erreur ! Source du renvoi introuvable.** in Supporting Information.

² Charier Company is one of the largest producers of natural aggregates and recycled concrete in the region of Pays de la Loire.

5.3 Recycling facilities in Loire Atlantique

Table S 9. Average production capacities of recycling facilities by geographical segment

	Geographical segment									
	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	B8	B9	Total
% population	5%	6%	3%	15%	50%	5%	6%	7%	5%	100%
RCC demand (tonnes)	6,124	7,728	3,946	18,818	64,186	5,879	7,513	9,242	6,164	129,600
number of recycling facilities	3	3	7	10	12	4	4	8	4	55
Production capacity of recycling facilities (tonnes.year ⁻¹)	4,083	5,152	1,127	3,764	10,698	2,940	3,756	2,310	3,082	Average: 4,101

The production capacities of recycling facilities are calculated from Equation 15, in the main article. The value of r should be set so as it should not prevent a buyer from an adjacent segment to buy in that facility. If $r = 1$, the facility is set to provide the exact demand to its own segment and is thus empty for demands of adjacent segments. However, a recycling facility close to a border could be closer from a buyer from an adjacent segment. A sensitivity analysis with a multiplication coefficient on the production capacities was carried out with values between of r ranging from 1 to 20. We observe the effect of this variation on the total transported amounts, to observe the bias. Results are presented in Fig. 6 in main manuscript: they show a decrease in transported amounts with an increase in the production capacities of recycling facilities close to the borders of other geographical segments. This decrease is mainly driven by geographical segments 4 and 5. It becomes stable between 5 and 10, because the demand for RCC is totally fulfilled by the closest recycling facilities. This means that calculating production capacities separately for each geographical segment can lead to important differences in results due to border effects.

Fig. S 4 below also shows that the number of recycling facilities not selling any product will increase and stabilise to 39, while increasing the value of r . This means that favouring fewer recycling facilities with higher production capacities will importantly decrease transports needs.

Fig. S 4. Number of recycling facilities not selling any RCC as a function of their production capacities

5.4 Population in Loire Atlantique

Table S 10. Populations of the geographical segments in Fig. 4

Geographical segment	Population of the geographical segment (year 2012)
1	62,739
2	79,170
3	40,420
4	192,771
5	657,536
6	60,229
7	76,960
8	94,673
9	63,145
Total	1,327,643

5.5 Main data available from MFA conducted by CERC

Table S 11. Amounts and composition of inert waste in 2012. Source: (CERC, 2013) p17

Nature	Amount (tonnes)	% of hard materials* excl. bricks	% of total C&DW	Assumption about destination
Soil and unpolluted loose materials	1,738,000	---	72,9	Quarry filling, planning projects, inert landfill
Gravels and rock materials*	101,000	33.0	4,2	Recycling, quarry filling, planning projects, temporary storage, inert landfill
Reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP)*	61,000	19.9	2,6	Asphalt plant, planning project, temporary storage
Cement concrete (CCDW)*	144,000	47.0	6,0	Recycling, quarry filling, planning projects, temporary storage, inert landfill
Bricks, tiles, ceramics	35,000	---	1,5	Quarry filling, planning projects, inert landfill
Mix of inert waste	301,000	---	12,6	Quarry filling, planning projects, inert landfill
Total hard materials* excl. bricks, tiles and ceramics	306,000	100	14,3	
Total inert C&DW	2,381,000	---	100	

Table S 12. Destination of waste types in 2012. Source: (CERC, 2013) p17

Destination	total (ktonnes)	inert (ktonnes)	non dangerous (ktonnes)	Dangerous (ktonnes)
reference in CERC report	page 14	page 18	page 21	page 23
Quarry filling	1,261.0	1,261.0		
Recycling and material recov. inside Loire Atlantique	283.0	244.0	38.0	
Recycling and material recov. outside Loire Atlantique	6.0		6.0	
Asphalt plant	54.0	54.0		
Use in urban planning	46.0	46.0		
Energy recovery inside Loire Atlantique	2.0		2.0	
Energy recovery outside Loire Atlantique	0.6		0.6	
Elimination in landfill inside Loire Atlantique	719.0	719.0		
Elimination in landfill outside Loire Atlantique	19.0		16.0	2.8
Temporary storage	57.0	57.0		
Unknown destination	11.0		7.0	1.1
Incineration	0.5		0.5	
TOTAL	2,459.1	2,381.0	70.1	4.9

Table S 13. Percentages to destination by types of inert waste in 2012. Source: (CERC, 2013) p19 – np: not provided

	mix	concrete	gravels	asphalt	exc. soil	bricks, tiles...
Quarry filling	15%	5%	3%		68%	np
Recycling and material recov. inside Loire Atlantique	7%	90%	71%	16%	1%	np
Recycling and material recov. outside Loire Atlantique						np
Asphalt plant				82%		np
Use in urban planning			18%		2%	np
Energy recovery inside Loire Atlantique						np
Energy recovery outside Loire Atlantique						np
Elimination in landfill inside Loire Atlantique	77%		2%	1%	28%	np
Elimination in landfill outside Loire Atlantique						np
Temporary storage	1%	5%	6%	1%	1%	np
Unknown destination						np
Incineration						np
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	

Table S 14. Amounts to destination by types of inert waste in 2012. Calculated from (CERC, 2013) p19 – np: not provided – *total is to be compared with data provided in Table S 12

	mix	concrete	gravels	asphalt	exc. soil	bricks, tiles...	TOTAL*
Quarry filling	45.2	7.2	3.0	0.0	1,181.8	np	1,237.2
Recycling and material recovery inside Loire Atlantique	21.1	129.6	71.7	9.8	17.4	np	249.5
Recycling and material recovery outside Loire Atlantique	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	np	0.0
Asphalt plant	0.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0	np	50.0
Use in urban planning	0.0	0.0	18.2	0.0	34.8	np	52.9
Energy recovery inside Loire Atlantique	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	np	0.0
Energy recovery outside Loire Atlantique	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	np	0.0
Elimination in landfill inside Loire Atlantique	231.8	0.0	2.0	0.6	486.6	np	721.0
Elimination in landfill outside Loire Atlantique	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	np	0.0
Temporary storage	3.0	7.2	6.1	0.6	17.4	np	34.3
Unknown destination	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	np	0.0
Incineration	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	np	0.0
TOTAL	301.0	144.0	101.0	61.0	1,738.0		2,380.0

Table S 15 Production and consumptions of materials in Loire-Atlantique (year 2012)

Parameters of the model	Amount	Unit
D _{CC}	1,100,000	m ³
D _{A3CC}	1,327,700	tonnes
D _{BC}	855,000	tonnes
D _{A3BC}	812,250	tonnes
P _{A3} = D _{A3}	2,140,000	tonnes
P _{A1}	1,850,400	tonnes
P _{A2}	917,800	tonnes
D _{A1}	1,676,700	tonnes
^a D _{A2}	963,000	tonnes
D _{RCC}	129,600	tonnes
^b D _{BQA}	1,806,300	tonnes

^a Demand of A2 is calculated from data extrapolated from Charier Company (see Table S 8). It is found slightly superior to the production of A2 calculated from quarry mass ratios, but the two results are close enough to consider there is no stock of A2.

^b is the summation of D_{A1} and D_{RCC}.

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Table S 16. Amounts (ktonnes) and destination of CCDW and gravels in Loire Atlantique in 2012 (extracted from (CERC, 2013))

Destinations	CCDW ktonnes (%)
Recycling platform	129.6 (90)
Quarry filling	7.2 (5)
Temporary storage	7.2 (5)
Planning projects	
Inert landfill	
TOTAL	144