

# KEMBLA PAIR COIL PIPE INSULATION

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## Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

### PRODUCT NAME

KEMBLA PAIR COIL PIPE INSULATION

### PRODUCT USE

Insulation.

### SUPPLIER

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## Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

NON-HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE. NON-DANGEROUS GOODS. According to NOHSC Criteria, and ADG Code.

### CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS



### RISK

- Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long- term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.
  - Cumulative effects may result following exposure\*.
  - Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect\*.
  - Repeated exposure potentially causes skin dryness and cracking\*.
- \* (limited evidence).

### SAFETY

- Avoid contact with skin.

## Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

NAME	CAS RN	%
polyethylene	9002-88-4	<80
glyceryl monostearate	31566-31-1	7.4
iso- butane	75-28-5.	7
trimethoxyvinylsilane	2768-02-7	2.7

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silica gel	7699-41-4	1.5
magnesium oxide	1309-48-4.	1.4

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## Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

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### SWALLOWED

- Immediately give a glass of water.
- First aid is not generally required. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

### EYE

- If this product comes in contact with eyes:
  - Wash out immediately with water.
  - If irritation continues, seek medical attention.
  - Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

### SKIN

- If skin contact occurs:
  - Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.
  - Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).
  - Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

### INHALED

- If dust is inhaled, remove from contaminated area.
- Encourage patient to blow nose to ensure clear passage of breathing.
- If irritation or discomfort persists seek medical attention.

### NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

- Treat symptomatically.

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## Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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### EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

- Foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide.
- Water spray or fog - Large fires only.

### FIRE FIGHTING

- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.
- Use water delivered as a fine spray to control fire and cool adjacent area.
- DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot.
- Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.
- If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.
- Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.

### FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD

- Combustible.
- Slight fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.
- Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.
- On combustion, may emit toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO).
- May emit acrid smoke.
- Mists containing combustible materials may be explosive.

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Combustion products include: carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), formaldehyde, acrolein, nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), sulfur oxides (SO<sub>x</sub>), metal oxides, other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.

NOTE: Burns with intense heat. Produces melting, flowing, burning liquid and dense acrid black smoke.

May emit poisonous fumes.

## FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

- Avoid contamination with oxidising agents i.e. nitrates, oxidising acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result.

## HAZCHEM

None

## PERSONAL PROTECTION

Glasses:

Chemical goggles.

Gloves:

PVC chemical resistant type.

Respirator:

Type A- P Filter of sufficient capacity

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## Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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### MINOR SPILLS

- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Secure load if safe to do so.
- Bundle/collect recoverable product.
- Collect remaining material in containers with covers for disposal.

### MAJOR SPILLS

- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Wear protective clothing, safety glasses, dust mask, gloves.
- Secure load if safe to do so. Bundle/collect recoverable product.
- Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust.
- Vacuum up (consider explosion-proof machines designed to be grounded during storage and use).
- Water may be used to prevent dusting.
- Collect remaining material in containers with covers for disposal.
- Flush spill area with water.

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the MSDS.

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## Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

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### PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- Limit all unnecessary personal contact.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.
- Keep containers securely sealed when not in use.
- Avoid physical damage to containers.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- Work clothes should be laundered separately.
- Use good occupational work practice.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.
- Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.

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## SUITABLE CONTAINER

■ No restriction on the type of containers. Packing as recommended by manufacturer. Check all material is clearly labelled.

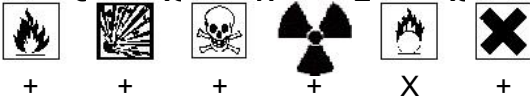
## STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

• Avoid reaction with oxidising agents.

## STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.
- Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

## SAFE STORAGE WITH OTHER CLASSIFIED CHEMICALS



+: May be stored together

O: May be stored together with specific preventions

X: Must not be stored together

## Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### EXPOSURE CONTROLS

Source	Material	TWA ppm	TWA mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL ppm	STEL mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Notes
Australia Exposure Standards	glyceryl monostearate (Stearates (a) (d))		10			(see Chapter 14)
Australia Exposure Standards	iso- butane (Butane)	800	1900			
Australia Exposure Standards	trimethoxyvinylsilane (Methyl alcohol)	200	262	250	328	Sk
Australia Exposure Standards	silica gel (Silica - Amorphous Fumed silica (respirable dust))		2			(see Chapter 14)
Australia Exposure Standards	magnesium oxide (Magnesium oxide (fume))		10			

The following materials had no OELs on our records  
• polyethylene:

CAS:9002- 88- 4

### EMERGENCY EXPOSURE LIMITS

Material	Revised	IDLH
trimethoxyvinylsilane	1624	6, 000
silica gel 10474	1	
magnesium oxide 10217	750	

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## ODOUR SAFETY FACTOR (OSF)

OSF=2 (trimethoxyvinylsilane)

■ Exposed individuals are NOT reasonably expected to be warned, by smell, that the Exposure Standard is being exceeded.

Odour Safety Factor (OSF) is determined to fall into either Class C, D or E.

The Odour Safety Factor (OSF) is defined as:

OSF= Exposure Standard (TWA) ppm/ Odour Threshold Value (OTV) ppm

Classification into classes follows:

Class	OSF	Description
A	550	Over 90% of exposed individuals are aware by smell that the Exposure Standard (TLV- TWA for example) is being reached, even when distracted by working activities
B	26- 550	As " A" for 50- 90% of persons being distracted
C	1- 26	As " A" for less than 50% of persons being distracted
D	0.18- 1	10- 50% of persons aware of being tested perceive by smell that the Exposure Standard is being reached
E	<0.18	As " D" for less than 10% of persons aware of being tested

## MATERIAL DATA

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Not available

## POLYETHYLENE:

■ It is the goal of the ACGIH (and other Agencies) to recommend TLVs (or their equivalent) for all substances for which there is evidence of health effects at airborne concentrations encountered in the workplace.

At this time no TLV has been established, even though this material may produce adverse health effects (as evidenced in animal experiments or clinical experience). Airborne concentrations must be maintained as low as is practically possible and occupational exposure must be kept to a minimum.

NOTE: The ACGIH occupational exposure standard for Particles Not Otherwise Specified (P.N.O.S) does NOT apply.

Sensory irritants are chemicals that produce temporary and undesirable side-effects on the eyes, nose or throat. Historically occupational exposure standards for these irritants have been based on observation of workers' responses to various airborne concentrations. Present day expectations require that nearly every individual should be protected against even minor sensory irritation and exposure standards are established using uncertainty factors or safety factors of 5 to 10 or more. On occasion animal no-observable-effect-levels (NOEL) are used to determine these limits where human results are unavailable. An additional approach, typically used by the TLV committee (USA) in determining respiratory standards for this group of chemicals, has been to assign ceiling values (TLV C) to rapidly acting irritants and to assign short-term exposure limits (TLV STELs) when the weight of evidence from irritation, bioaccumulation and other endpoints combine to warrant such a limit. In contrast the MAK Commission (Germany) uses a five-category system based on intensive odour, local irritation, and elimination half-life. However this system is being replaced to be consistent with the European Union (EU) Scientific Committee for Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL); this is more closely allied to that of the USA.

OSHA (USA) concluded that exposure to sensory irritants can:

- cause inflammation
- cause increased susceptibility to other irritants and infectious agents
- lead to permanent injury or dysfunction
- permit greater absorption of hazardous substances and

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• acclimate the worker to the irritant warning properties of these substances thus increasing the risk of overexposure.

### GLYCERYL MONOSTEARATE:

■ These "dusts" have little adverse effect on the lungs and do not produce toxic effects or organic disease. Although there is no dust which does not evoke some cellular response at sufficiently high concentrations, the cellular response caused by P.N.O.C.s has the following characteristics:

- the architecture of the air spaces remain intact,
- scar tissue (collagen) is not synthesised to any degree,
- tissue reaction is potentially reversible.

Extensive concentrations of P.N.O.C.s may:

- seriously reduce visibility,
- cause unpleasant deposits in the eyes, ears and nasal passages,
- contribute to skin or mucous membrane injury by chemical or mechanical action, per se, or by the rigorous skin cleansing procedures necessary for their removal. [ACGIH]

This limit does not apply:

- to brief exposures to higher concentrations
- nor does it apply to those substances that may cause physiological impairment at lower concentrations but for which a TLV has as yet to be determined.

This exposure standard applies to particles which

- are insoluble or poorly soluble\* in water or, preferably, in aqueous lung fluid (if data is available) and
- have a low toxicity (i.e.. are not cytotoxic, genotoxic, or otherwise chemically reactive with lung tissue, and do not emit ionizing radiation, cause immune sensitization, or cause toxic effects other than by inflammation or by a mechanism of lung overload).

The stearates have a low order of acute and chronic toxicity. Intratracheal administration of relatively large doses in rats produce varying degrees of pulmonary damage. Acute, gross inhalation exposure has been associated with clinical pneumonitis. A case of "pneumoconiosis with probable heart failure" has been reported in a rubber worker occupationally exposed to zinc stearate dust for 29 years. Several cases of infants developing respiratory distress and in some instances, acute fatal pneumonitis on aspiration of zinc stearate powder, have been reported.

### ISO-BUTANE:

■ For butane:

Odour Threshold Value: 2591 ppm (recognition)

Butane in common with other homologues in the straight chain saturated aliphatic hydrocarbon series is not characterised by its toxicity but by its narcosis-inducing effects at high concentrations. The TLV is based on analogy with pentane by comparing their lower explosive limits in air. It is concluded that this limit will protect workers against the significant risk of drowsiness and other narcotic effects.

Odour Safety Factor(OSF)

OSF=0.22 (n-BUTANE).

May act as a simple asphyxiants; these are gases which, when present in high concentrations, reduce the oxygen content in air below that required to support breathing, consciousness and life; loss of consciousness, with death by suffocation may rapidly occur in an oxygen deficient atmosphere.

CARE: Most simple asphyxiants are odourless or possess low odour and there is no warning on entry into an oxygen deficient atmosphere. If there is any doubt, oxygen content can be checked simply and quickly. It may not be appropriate to only recommend an exposure standard for simple asphyxiants rather it is essential that sufficient oxygen be maintained. Air normally has 21 percent oxygen by volume, with 18 percent regarded as minimum under normal atmospheric pressure to maintain consciousness / life. At pressures significantly higher or lower than normal atmospheric pressure, expert guidance should be sought.

Isobutane Odour Threshold Value: 1.2 ppm

### TRIMETHOXYVINYL SILANE:

■ For methanol:

Odour Threshold Value: 4.2-5960 ppm (detection), 53.0-8940 ppm (recognition)

NOTE: Detector tubes for methanol, measuring in excess of 50 ppm, are commercially available.

Exposure at or below the recommended TLV-TWA is thought to substantially reduce the significant risk of headache, blurred vision and other ocular and systemic effects.

Odour Safety Factor (OSF)

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OSF=2 (METHANOL).

## SILICA GEL:

■ The concentration of dust, for application of respirable dust limits, is to be determined from the fraction that penetrates a separator whose size collection efficiency is described by a cumulative log-normal function with a median aerodynamic diameter of 4.0  $\mu\text{m}$  (+-) 0.3  $\mu\text{m}$  and with a geometric standard deviation of 1.5  $\mu\text{m}$  (+-) 0.1  $\mu\text{m}$ , i.e..generally less than 5  $\mu\text{m}$ .

For amorphous crystalline silica (precipitated silicic acid):

Amorphous crystalline silica shows little potential for producing adverse effects on the lung and exposure standards should reflect a particulate of low intrinsic toxicity. Mixtures of amorphous silicas/ diatomaceous earth and crystalline silica should be monitored as if they comprise only the crystalline forms.

The dusts from precipitated silica and silica gel produce little adverse effect on pulmonary functions and are not known to produce significant disease or toxic effect.

IARC has classified silica, amorphous as Group 3: NOT classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans.

Evidence of carcinogenicity may be inadequate or limited in animal testing.

## MAGNESIUM OXIDE:

■ No exposure limits set by NOHSC or ACGIH.

## PERSONAL PROTECTION



## EYE

- Safety glasses with side shields
- Chemical goggles.
- Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lens or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59], [AS/NZS 1336 or national equivalent].

## HANDS/FEET

- When handling hot materials wear heat resistant, elbow length gloves.
- Rubber gloves are not recommended when handling hot objects, materials.
- Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.
- Wear safety footwear or safety gumboots, eg. Rubber.

## OTHER

- Overalls.
- P.V.C. apron.
- Barrier cream.
- Skin cleansing cream.
- Eye wash unit.

## RESPIRATOR

- Type A-P Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:2001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

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■ Selection of the Class and Type of respirator will depend upon the level of breathing zone contaminant and the chemical nature of the contaminant. Protection Factors (defined as the ratio of contaminant outside and inside the mask) may also be important.

Required minimum protection factor	Maximum gas/vapour concentration present in air p.p.m. (by volume)	Half- face Respirator	Full- Face Respirator
up to 10	1000	A- AUS / Class1 P	-
up to 50	1000	-	A- AUS / Class 1 P
up to 50	5000	Airline *	-
up to 100	5000	-	A- 2 P
up to 100	10000	-	A- 3 P
100+			Airline**

\* - Continuous Flow \*\* - Continuous-flow or positive pressure demand

A(All classes) = Organic vapours, B AUS or B1 = Acid gasses, B2 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), B3 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), E = Sulfur dioxide(SO<sub>2</sub>), G = Agricultural chemicals, K = Ammonia(NH<sub>3</sub>), Hg = Mercury, NO = Oxides of nitrogen, MB = Methyl bromide, AX = Low boiling point organic compounds(below 65 degC).

The local concentration of material, quantity and conditions of use determine the type of personal protective equipment required. For further information consult site specific CHEMWATCH data (if available), or your Occupational Health and Safety Advisor.

### ENGINEERING CONTROLS

■ Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection.

The basic types of engineering controls are:

Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk.

Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard "physically" away from the worker and ventilation that strategically "adds" and "removes" air in the work environment. Ventilation can remove or dilute an air contaminant if designed properly. The design of a ventilation system must match the particular process and chemical or contaminant in use.

Employers may need to use multiple types of controls to prevent employee overexposure.

General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. If risk of overexposure exists, wear SAA approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage areas. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

Type of Contaminant:  
solvent, vapours, degreasing etc., evaporating from tank (in still air)  
aerosols, fumes from pouring operations, intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers, welding, spray drift, plating acid fumes, pickling (released at low velocity into zone of active generation)  
direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)

Air Speed:  
0.25- 0.5 m/s (50- 100 f/min)  
0.5- 1 m/s (100- 200 f/min.)  
1- 2.5 m/s (200- 500 f/min)

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grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion).

2.5- 10 m/s (500- 2000 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range

1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture

2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only

3: Intermittent, low production.

4: Large hood or large air mass in motion

Upper end of the range

1: Disturbing room air currents

2: Contaminants of high toxicity

3: High production, heavy use

4: Small hood - local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min.) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

## Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### APPEARANCE

Flammability	Colour	Physical State	Odour	Miscibility with water
-	hite	Solid		Immiscible

### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Does not mix with water.

Floats on water.

State	Manufactured	Molecular Weight	Not Applicable
Melting Range (°C)	95- 110	Viscosity	Not Available
Boiling Range (°C)	Not Applicable	Solubility in water (g/L)	Immiscible
Flash Point (°C)	Not Available	pH (1% solution)	Not Available
Decomposition Temp (°C)	Not Available	pH (as supplied)	Not Available
Autoignition Temp (°C)	Not Available	Vapour Pressure (kPa)	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Specific Gravity (water=1)	0.023- 0.033
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Relative Vapour Density (air=1)	Not Available
Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Available	Evaporation Rate	Not Available

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## Section 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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### CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

- Product is considered stable and hazardous polymerisation will not occur.  
*For incompatible materials - refer to Section 7 - Handling and Storage.*

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## Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

#### ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

##### SWALLOWED

- Not normally a hazard due to physical form of product.  
The material has NOT been classified by EC Directives or other classification systems as "harmful by ingestion". This is because of the lack of corroborating animal or human evidence. The material may still be damaging to the health of the individual, following ingestion, especially where pre-existing organ (eg. liver, kidney) damage is evident. Present definitions of harmful or toxic substances are generally based on doses producing mortality rather than those producing morbidity (disease, ill-health). Gastrointestinal tract discomfort may produce nausea and vomiting. In an occupational setting however, ingestion of insignificant quantities is not thought to be cause for concern.

##### EYE

- Hazard relates to dust released by sawing, cutting, sanding, trimming or other finishing operations. Although the material is not thought to be an irritant (as classified by EC Directives), direct contact with the eye may produce transient discomfort characterised by tearing or conjunctival redness (as with windburn).

##### SKIN

- Hazard relates to dust released by sawing, cutting, sanding, trimming or other finishing operations. The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or skin irritation following contact (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable gloves be used in an occupational setting. Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

##### INHALED

- Hazard relates to dust released by sawing, cutting, sanding, trimming or other finishing operations. The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or irritation of the respiratory tract (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable control measures be used in an occupational setting. Not normally a hazard due to non-volatile nature of product.

##### CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

- Hazard relates to dust released by sawing, cutting, sanding, trimming or other finishing operations. Substance accumulation, in the human body, may occur and may cause some concern following repeated or long-term occupational exposure. There has been some concern that this material can cause cancer or mutations but there is not enough data to make an assessment. Constant or exposure over long periods to mixed hydrocarbons may produce stupor with dizziness, weakness and visual disturbance, weight loss and anaemia, and reduced liver and kidney function. Skin exposure may result in drying and cracking and redness of the skin. Chronic exposure to lighter hydrocarbons can cause nerve damage, peripheral neuropathy, bone marrow dysfunction and psychiatric disorders as well as damage the liver and kidneys.

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Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

■ unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.

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■ Not available. Refer to individual constituents.

POLYETHYLENE:

TOXICITY

Oral (rat) LD50: >3000 mg/kg

Inhalation (mouse) LC50: 12000 mg/m<sup>3</sup>/30m

■ The substance is classified by IARC as Group 3:

NOT classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans.

Evidence of carcinogenicity may be inadequate or limited in animal testing.

polyethylene pyrolyzate

IRRITATION

GLYCERYL MONOSTEARATE:

■ No data of toxicological significance identified in literature search.

ISO-BUTANE:

TOXICITY

Inhalation (Mouse) LC50: 52 mg/kg/1h \*

\*WISER

IRRITATION

TRIMETHOXYVINYL SILANE:

TOXICITY

Oral (rat) LD50: 10920 mg/kg

Dermal (rabbit) LD50: 3423 mg/kg

Oral (rat) LD50: 7100 mg/kg

Dermal (rabbit) LD50: 3540 mg/kg

Inhalation (rat) LC50: 17 mg/l/4 hours [OSI]

Inhalation (Rat) LC50: 2773 ppm/4h

■ Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ceases. This may be due to a non-allergenic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur following exposure to high levels of highly irritating compound. Key criteria for the diagnosis of RADS include the absence of preceding respiratory disease, in a non-atopic individual, with abrupt onset of persistent asthma-like symptoms within minutes to hours of a documented exposure to the irritant. A reversible airflow pattern, on spirometry, with the presence of moderate to severe bronchial hyperreactivity on methacholine challenge testing and the lack of minimal lymphocytic inflammation, without eosinophilia, have also been included in the criteria for diagnosis of RADS. RADS (or asthma) following an irritating inhalation is an infrequent disorder with rates related to the concentration of and duration of exposure to the irritating substance. Industrial bronchitis, on the other hand, is a disorder that occurs as result of exposure due to high concentrations of irritating substance (often particulate in nature) and is completely reversible after exposure ceases. The disorder is characterised by dyspnea, cough and mucus production. Low molecular weight alkoxy silane can cause irreversible lung damage when inhaled at low dose. It is not an obvious skin irritant. However, studies suggest with repeated occupational exposure, methoxy silane may cause damage to the eye and skin as well as cancer.

The material may be irritating to the eye, with prolonged contact causing inflammation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may produce conjunctivitis.

The material may cause skin irritation after prolonged or repeated exposure and may produce on contact skin redness, swelling, the production of vesicles, scaling and thickening of the skin.

Manufacturers Data:

SILICA GEL:

TOXICITY

Intravenous (Mouse) LD: 234 mg/kg

[RTECS]

■ For silica amorphous:

When experimental animals inhale synthetic amorphous silica (SAS) dust, it dissolves in the lung fluid and is

IRRITATION

Eye (Rabbit) : 8.3 mg/48hr

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rapidly eliminated. If swallowed, the vast majority of SAS is excreted in the faeces and there is little accumulation in the body. Following absorption across the gut, SAS is eliminated via urine without modification in animals and humans. SAS is not expected to be broken down (metabolised) in mammals. After ingestion, there is limited accumulation of SAS in body tissues and rapid elimination occurs. Intestinal absorption has not been calculated, but appears to be insignificant in animals and humans. SASs injected subcutaneously are subjected to rapid dissolution and removal. There is no indication of metabolism of SAS in animals or humans based on chemical structure and available data. In contrast to crystalline silica, SAS is soluble in physiological media and the soluble chemical species that are formed are eliminated via the urinary tract without modification.

Both the mammalian and environmental toxicology of SASs are significantly influenced by the physical and chemical properties, particularly those of solubility and particle size. SAS has no acute intrinsic toxicity by inhalation. Adverse effects, including suffocation, that have been reported were caused by the presence of high numbers of respirable particles generated to meet the required test atmosphere. These results are not representative of exposure to commercial SASs and should not be used for human risk assessment. Though repeated exposure of the skin may cause dryness and cracking, SAS is not a skin or eye irritant, and it is not a sensitiser.

Repeated-dose and chronic toxicity studies confirm the absence of toxicity when SAS is swallowed or upon skin contact.

Long-term inhalation of SAS caused some adverse effects in animals (increases in lung inflammation, cell injury and lung collagen content), all of which subsided after exposure.

Numerous repeated-dose, subchronic and chronic inhalation toxicity studies have been conducted with SAS in a number of species, at airborne concentrations ranging from 0.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> to 150 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. Lowest-observed adverse effect levels (LOAELs) were typically in the range of 1 to 50 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. When available, the no-observed adverse effect levels (NOAELs) were between 0.5 and 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. The difference in values may be explained by different particle size, and therefore the number of particles administered per unit dose. In general, as particle size decreases so does the NOAEL/LOAEL.

Neither inhalation nor oral administration caused neoplasms (tumours). SAS is not mutagenic in vitro. No genotoxicity was detected in in vivo assays. SAS does not impair development of the foetus. Fertility was not specifically studied, but the reproductive organs in long-term studies were not affected.

In humans, SAS is essentially non-toxic by mouth, skin or eyes, and by inhalation. Epidemiology studies show little evidence of adverse health effects due to SAS. Repeated exposure (without personal protection) may cause mechanical irritation of the eye and drying/cracking of the skin.

There is no evidence of cancer or other long-term respiratory health effects (for example, silicosis) in workers employed in the manufacture of SAS. Respiratory symptoms in SAS workers have been shown to correlate with smoking but not with SAS exposure, while serial pulmonary function values and chest radiographs are not adversely affected by long-term exposure to SAS.

### MAGNESIUM OXIDE:

#### TOXICITY

Inhalation (human) TCl<sub>0</sub>: 400 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

#### IRRITATION

Nil Reported

### CARCINOGEN

Polyethylene	International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Reviewed by the IARC Monographs	Group	3
Silica, amorphous	International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Reviewed by the IARC Monographs	Group	3
Oestrogen (see Estrogen)	International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Reviewed by the IARC Monographs	Group	

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## Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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GLYCERYL MONOSTEARATE:

ISO-BUTANE:

TRIMETHOXYVINYL SILANE:

SILICA GEL:

MAGNESIUM OXIDE:

POLYETHYLENE:

- DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

POLYETHYLENE:

GLYCERYL MONOSTEARATE:

- For surfactants:

Environmental fate:

Octanol/water partition coefficients cannot easily be determined for surfactants because one part of the molecule is hydrophilic and the other part is hydrophobic. Consequently they tend to accumulate at the interface and are not extracted into one or other of the liquid phases. As a result surfactants are expected to transfer slowly, for example, from water into the flesh of fish. During this process, readily biodegradable surfactants are expected to be metabolised rapidly during the process of bioaccumulation. This was emphasised by the OECD Expert Group stating that chemicals are not to be considered to show bioaccumulation potential if they are readily biodegradable.

Several anionic and nonionic surfactants have been investigated to evaluate their potential to bioconcentrate in fish. BCF values (BCF - bioconcentration factor) ranging from 1 to 350 were found. These are absolute maximum values, resulting from the radiolabelling technique used. In all these studies, substantial oxidative metabolism was found resulting in the highest radioactivity in the gall bladder. This indicates liver transformation of the parent compound and biliary excretion of the metabolised compounds, so that "real" bioconcentration is overstated. After correction it can be expected that "real" parent BCF values are one order of magnitude less than those indicated above, i.e. "real" BCF is <100. Therefore the usual data used for classification by EU directives to determine whether a substance is "Dangerous to the Environment" has little bearing on whether the use of the surfactant is environmentally acceptable.

Ecotoxicity:

Surfactant should be considered to be toxic (EC50 and LC50 values of < 10 mg/L) to aquatic species under conditions that allow contact of the chemicals with the organisms. The water solubility of the chemicals does not impact the toxicity except as it relates to the ability to conduct tests appropriately to obtain exposure of the test species. The acute aquatic toxicity generally is considered to be related to the effects of the surfactant properties on the organism and not to direct chemical toxicity.

ISO-BUTANE:

- For isobutane:

Refrigerant Gas: Saturated Hydrocarbons have zero ozone depletion potential (ODP) and will photodegrade under atmospheric conditions. [Calor Gas]

Environmental Fate

Terrestrial fate: An estimated Koc value of 35 suggests that isobutane will have very high mobility in soil. Its very high Henry's Law constant, 4.08 atm-cu m/mole, (calculated from its vapor pressure and water solubility, high vapor pressure, 2611 mm Hg at 25 deg C, and low adsorptivity to soil indicate that volatilisation will be an important fate process from both moist and dry soil surfaces. Isobutane is biodegradable, especially under acclimated conditions, and may biodegrade in soil.

Aquatic fate: The estimated Koc value suggests that isobutane would not adsorb to sediment and particulate matter in the water column. Additional evidence that isobutane is not removed to sediment has been obtained from microcosm experiments. Isobutane will readily volatilise from water based on its estimated Henry's Law

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constant of 4.08 atm-cu m/mole. Estimated half-lives for a model river and model lake are 2.2 hr and 3.0 days, respectively. An estimated BCF value of 74 based on the log Kow suggests that isobutane will not bioconcentrate in aquatic organisms.

Results indicate that gas exchange is the dominant removal mechanism for isobutane gases from the water column following a hypothetical input. The volatilisation half-lives for isobutane from the water columns in natural estuaries are estimated to be 4.4 and 6.8 days at 20 and 10 deg C, respectively.

Isobutane also biodegrades in the microcosm at a rate that is slower than for n-butane and falls between propane and ethane in susceptibility. Biodegradation of isobutane initially occurs with a half-lives of 16-26 days at 20 deg C and 33-139 days at 10 deg C, significantly slower than the loss predicted by gas exchange from typical natural estuaries. However, after a lag of 2-4 weeks, the biodegradation rate increases markedly so that in the case of chronic inputs, biodegradation can become the dominant removal mechanism.

Atmospheric fate:: Isobutane is a gas at ordinary temperatures. It is degraded in the atmosphere by reaction with photochemically-produced hydroxyl radicals; the half-life for this reaction in air is 6.9 days, assuming a hydroxyl radical concn of  $5 \times 10^5$  radicals per cubic cm. When isobutane was exposed to sunlight for 6 hr in a tedlar bag filled with Los Angeles air, 6% of the isobutane degraded. The air contained 4529 ppb-C hydrocarbons and 870 ppb of NOX. The tropospheric loss of volatile hydrocarbons such as isobutane by wet and dry deposition are believed to be of minor importance. Indeed, isobutane assimilated into precipitation may evaporate during transport as well as being reemitted into the atmosphere after deposition. Isobutane is a contributor to the production of PAN (peroxyacyl nitrates) under photochemical smog conditions.

## TRIMETHOXYVINYL SILANE:

■ May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Alkoxysilanes are highly toxic to algae and moderately toxic to aquatic invertebrates. e.g. the daphnid 48 hour LC50 for dimethyldiethoxysilane is 1.25 mg/l, and the 15-day algal EC50 for a number of alkoxysilanes is approximately 10 mg/l. Alkoxysilanes are used as coupling agents and are designed to hydrolyse.

Hydrolysis generally produces biodegradable alcohols.

Parameters controlling intrinsic stability and reactivity of organosilanols generated from alkoxysilanes in aqueous environments have been elucidated in several experiments. The studies indicate that the rates of hydrolysis of alkoxysilanes are generally related to their steric bulk, but demonstrate that after rate-limiting hydrolysis of the first alkoxy group steric effects are much less important.

## SILICA GEL:

■ For silica amorphous:

Amorphous silica is chemically and biologically inert. It is not biodegradable. Due to its insolubility in water there is a separation at every filtration and sedimentation process.]

Crystalline and/or amorphous silicas are ubiquitous on the earth in soils and sediments, and in living organisms (e.g. diatoms), but only the dissolved form is bioavailable. On a global scale, the level of man-made synthetic amorphous silicas (SAS) represents up to 2.4% of the dissolved silica naturally present in the aquatic environment. The rate of SAS released into the environment during the product life cycle is negligible in comparison with the natural flux of silica in the environment

Untreated SASs have a relatively low water solubility of 1.91 to 2.51 mmol/l (114 - 151 mg/l) and an extremely low vapour pressure (e.g.  $< 10^{-3}$  Pa at 20° C for Aerosil R972). On the basis of these properties it is expected that SAS released into the environment will be distributed mainly into soil/sediment, slightly into water, and probably not at all into air.

With surface-treated SASs, the addition of organosilicon compounds increases the hydrophobicity. Consequently, the water solubility is lower than that of untreated silica. The vapour pressure remains extremely low. Due to the presence of organic substances such as surfactants, salts, acids and alkalis in the environment, it is expected that surface-treated silica will be wetted and then adsorbed onto soils or sediments.

SAS is regarded as an inert substance and is not expected to undergo any transformation in the atmospheric or terrestrial compartment, apart from dissolution by water.

Biodegradability in sewage treatment plant or in surface water is not applicable to inorganic substances like SAS. Therefore the biodegradation endpoint has limited relevance for SAS. In surface modified SASs, the most common treating agents are organosilicon compounds and these generally represent less than 5% of the material. Biodegradation in sewage treatment plant or in surface water is not expected. Some biodegradation in soil may occur by analogy with the behaviour of linear polydimethylsiloxane in this compartment

## Ecotoxicity:

Based on available data, SAS is not toxic to environmental organisms (apart from physical desiccation in insects). SAS presents a low risk for adverse effects to the environment.

When hydrophilic SASs (Aerosil 200 and Ultrasil VN3; purity 100% and 98%, respectively), were tested for

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their acute toxicity to fish and crustaceans, the LC50 and EC50 values were higher than 10,000 mg/l and 1,000 mg/l, respectively.

The zebra fish (*Brachydanio rerio*) test was performed with SAS in suspension, due to the insolubility of the SAS. No mortality was observed for the fish after 96 hours of exposure at 1,000 mg/l and 10,000 mg/l. The test media remained turbid throughout the test, indicating that the limit of solubility of the product was exceeded.

With the water flea (*Daphnia magna*), SAS suspensions exceeding the limit of solubility were tested.; some immobilisation was observed. However, no significant immobilisation was observed when a solution filtered through microfibre glass filter was tested. The observed effects were likely caused by physical hampering of the *Daphnia* due to the presence of undissolved particles.

A surface-treated SAS (Aerosil R974; 99.9% pure) was tested on fish and crustaceans. The LC50 to fish and EC50 to *Daphnia* were found to be higher than 10,000 mg/l and 1,000 mg/l, respectively

The EC50 to algae was found to be higher than 10,000 mg/l filtered suspension The actual dissolved concentrations were not determined. There was no inhibition of the biomass or of the growth rate with the 10,000 mg/l filtered suspension.

The antibacterial effect of pressed and unpressed high purity SAS (Aerosil, unspecified) (0.2 g silica + 0.15 ml bacteria strain suspension) kept at 22 C has been investigated (SAS is sometimes pressed to remove air before transportation). The following micro-organisms were studied: *Escherichia coli*, *Proteus* sp., *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Aerobacter aerogenes*,

*Micrococcus pyrogenes aureus*, *Streptococcus faecalis*, *Streptococcus pyrogenes humans*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Candida albicans* and *Bacillus subtilis*. The SAS was contaminated either by hand contact, by saliva droplets or by contact with the atmosphere. Rodshaped gram-negative organisms (*Escherichia coli*, *Bacterium proteus*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

and *Aerobacter aerogenes*) died between 6 hours and 3 days in contact with unpressed SAS. Gram-positive micro-organisms were somewhat more resistant. In addition, the tests demonstrated that survival of bacteria was shorter in unpressed than in pressed SAS.

For silica:

The literature on the fate of silica in the environment concerns dissolved silica in the aquatic environment, irrespective of its origin (man-made or natural), or structure (crystalline or amorphous). Indeed, once released and dissolved into the environment no distinction can be made between the initial forms of silica. At normal environmental pH, dissolved silica exists exclusively as monosilicic acid [Si(OH)<sub>4</sub>]. At pH 9.4 the solubility of amorphous silica is about 120 mg SiO<sub>2</sub>/l. Quartz has a solubility of only 6 mg/l, but its rate of dissolution is so slow at ordinary temperature and pressure that the solubility of amorphous silica represents the upper limit of dissolved silica concentration in natural waters. Moreover, silicic acid is the bioavailable form for aquatic organisms and it plays an important role in the biogeochemical cycle of Si, particularly in the oceans.

In the oceans, the transfer of dissolved silica from the marine hydrosphere to the biosphere initiates the global biological silicon cycle. Marine organisms such as diatoms, silicoflagellates and radiolarians build up their skeletons by taking up silicic acid from seawater. After these organisms die, the biogenic silica accumulated in them partly dissolves. The portion of the biogenic silica that does not dissolve settles and ultimately reaches the sediment. The transformation of opal (amorphous biogenic silica) deposits in sediments through diagenetic processes allows silica to re-enter the geological cycle. Silica is labile between the water and sediment interface.

Ecotoxicity:

Fish LC50 (96 h): *Brachydanio rerio* >10000 mg/l; zebra fish >10000 mg/l

*Daphnia magna* EC50 (24 h): >1000 mg/l; LC50 924 h): >10000 mg/l.

MAGNESIUM OXIDE:

■ Metal-containing inorganic substances generally have negligible vapour pressure and are not expected to partition to air. Once released to surface waters and moist soils their fate depends on solubility and dissociation in water. Environmental processes (such as oxidation and the presence of acids or bases) may transform insoluble metals to more soluble ionic forms. Microbiological processes may also transform insoluble metals to more soluble forms. Such ionic species may bind to dissolved ligands or sorb to solid particles in aquatic or aqueous media. A significant proportion of dissolved/ sorbed metals will end up in sediments through the settling of suspended particles. The remaining metal ions can then be taken up by aquatic organisms.

When released to dry soil most metals will exhibit limited mobility and remain in the upper layer; some will leach locally into ground water and/ or surface water ecosystems when soaked by rain or melt ice.

Environmental processes may also be important in changing solubilities.

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Even though many metals show few toxic effects at physiological pHs, transformation may introduce new or magnified effects.

A metal ion is considered infinitely persistent because it cannot degrade further.

The current state of science does not allow for an unambiguous interpretation of various measures of bioaccumulation.

The counter-ion may also create health and environmental concerns once isolated from the metal. Under normal physiological conditions the counter-ion may be essentially insoluble and may not be bioavailable.

Environmental processes may enhance bioavailability.

## Ecotoxicity

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air	Bioaccumulation	Mobility
Kembla Pair Coil Pipe Insulation	No Data Available	No Data Available		
polyethylene	LOW	No Data Available	LOW	HIGH
glyceryl monostearate	HIGH	No Data Available	LOW	MED
iso- butane	HIGH	No Data Available	LOW	HIGH
trimethoxyvinylsilane	HIGH	No Data Available	LOW	MED
silica gel	HIGH	No Data Available	LOW	HIGH
magnesium oxide	No Data Available	No Data Available		

## Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Containers may still present a chemical hazard/ danger when empty.
  - Return to supplier for reuse/ recycling if possible.
- Otherwise:
- If container can not be cleaned sufficiently well to ensure that residuals do not remain or if the container cannot be used to store the same product, then puncture containers, to prevent re-use, and bury at an authorised landfill.
  - Where possible retain label warnings and MSDS and observe all notices pertaining to the product.

## Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

### HAZCHEM:

None (ADG7)

NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS: ADG7, UN, IATA, IMDG

## Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

POISONS SCHEDULE None

### REGULATIONS

Regulations for ingredients

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**polyethylene (CAS: 9002-88-4) is found on the following regulatory lists;**

"Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)", "International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Reviewed by the IARC Monographs"

**glyceryl monostearate (CAS: 31566-31-1,123-94-4,66085-00-5) is found on the following regulatory lists;**

"Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)", "International Council of Chemical Associations (ICCA) - High Production Volume List"

**iso-butane (CAS: 75-28-5) is found on the following regulatory lists;**

"Australia Hazardous Substances", "Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)", "International Council of Chemical Associations (ICCA) - High Production Volume List"

**trimethoxyvinylsilane (CAS: 2768-02-7) is found on the following regulatory lists;**

"Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)"

**silica gel (CAS: 7699-41-4,63231-67-4,112926-00-8) is found on the following regulatory lists;**

"Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)"

**magnesium oxide (CAS: 1309-48-4) is found on the following regulatory lists;**

"Australia Exposure Standards", "Australia Hazardous Substances", "Australia High Volume Industrial Chemical List (HVICL)", "Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)", "Australia National Pollutant Inventory", "Australia Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) Substances that may be used as active ingredients in Listed medicines", "CODEX General Standard for Food Additives (GSFA) - Additives Permitted for Use in Food in General, Unless Otherwise Specified, in Accordance with GMP", "International Council of Chemical Associations (ICCA) - High Production Volume List"

**No data for Kembla Pair Coil Pipe Insulation (CW: 4993-35)**

## Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

### Denmark Advisory list for selfclassification of dangerous substances

Substance	CAS	Suggested codes
glyceryl monostearate	31566- 31- 1	Xn; R22 N; R50/53
glyceryl monostearate	123- 94- 4	N; R50/53
glyceryl monostearate	66085- 00- 5	Xn; R22 N; R50/53

### INGREDIENTS WITH MULTIPLE CAS NUMBERS

Ingredient Name	CAS
glyceryl monostearate	31566- 31- 1, 123- 94- 4, 66085- 00- 5
silica gel	7699- 41- 4, 63231- 67- 4, 112926- 00- 8

■ Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at:

[www.chemwatch.net/references](http://www.chemwatch.net/references).

■ The (M)SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

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