

# Lawn Fert with Moss Killer (FE) Ballance Agri-Nutrients

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Safety Data Sheet according to the Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017

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# SECTION 1 Identification of the substance / mixture and of the company / undertaking

# **Product Identifier**

| Product name                  | Lawn Fert with Moss Killer (FE) |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Chemical Name                 | Not Applicable                  |
| Chemical formula              | Not Applicable                  |
| Other means of identification | Not Available                   |

# Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses Fertiliser.

# Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

| Registered company name | Ballance Agri-Nutrients                     |
|-------------------------|---|
| Address                 | 161 Hewletts Rd Mount Maunganui New Zealand |
| Telephone               | +64 800 222 090                             |
| Fax                     | Not Available                               |
| Website                 | Not Available                               |
| Email                   | customerservices-mount@ballance.co.nz       |

# Emergency telephone number

| Association / Organisation        | CHEMCALL   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Emergency telephone numbers       | Freephone: 0800 CHEMCALL (0800 243 622) (24 Hours/ 7 Days) |  |
| Other emergency telephone numbers | Not Available  |  |

# **SECTION 2 Hazards identification**

# Classification of the substance or mixture

Considered a Hazardous Substance according to the criteria of the New Zealand Hazardous Substances New Organisms legislation. Not regulated for transport of Dangerous Goods.

#### ChemWatch Hazard Ratings

|              | Min | Max |                         |
|--------------|-----|-----|-------------------------|
| Flammability | 0   |     |                         |
| Toxicity     | 2   |     | 0 = Minimum             |
| Body Contact | 2   |     | 1 = Low<br>2 = Moderate |
| Reactivity   | 0   |     |                         |
| Chronic      | 0   |     | 3 = High                |

| Classification <sup>[1]</sup>                   | Acute Toxicity (Oral) Category 4, Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 2, Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 2, Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment Long-Term Hazard Category 4, Hazardous to Terrestrial Vertebrates |  |
|---|--|--|
| Legend:   | 1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from CCID EPA NZ; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI   |  |
| Determined by Chemwatch using GHS/HSNO criteria | 6.1D (oral), 6.3A, 6.4A, 9.1D, 9.3C  |  |

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# Hazard pictogram(s)



| Signal word | Warnii     | 1 |
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| Signal Work | ı vvaiiiii | щ |

# Hazard statement(s)

| H302 | Harmful if swallowed.                                   |
|------|---|
| H315 | Causes skin irritation.                                 |
| H319 | Causes serious eye irritation.                          |
| H413 | May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life. |
| H433 | Hazardous to terrestrial vertebrates.                   |

# Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

| P264 | Wash all exposed external body areas thoroughly after handling.                  |  |
|------|--|--|
| P270 | Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.                              |  |
| P273 | Avoid release to the environment.  |  |
| P280 | Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection and face protection. |  |

# Precautionary statement(s) Response

| P305+P351+P338 | IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. |  |
|----------------|--|--|
| P337+P313      | If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.  |  |
| P301+P312      | IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician/first aider if you feel unwell.  |  |
| P302+P352      | IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.   |  |
| P330           | Rinse mouth.   |  |
| P332+P313      | If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.   |  |
| P362+P364      | Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.   |  |

# Precautionary statement(s) Storage

Not Applicable

# Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

P501 Dispose of contents/container to authorised hazardous or special waste collection point in accordance with any local regulation.

# **SECTION 3 Composition / information on ingredients**

# Substances

See section below for composition of Mixtures

# Mixtures

| CAS No        | %[weight]  | Name                         |
|---------------|--|------------------------------|
| 7783-20-2     | 10-30  | ammonium sulfate             |
| 7778-18-9     | 10-30  | calcium sulfate              |
| 17375-41-6    | 10-30  | ferrous sulfate monohydrate  |
| 7758-23-8     | 10-30  | calcium phosphate, monobasic |
| 12135-86-3    | 10-30  | antigorite                   |
| 7447-40-7     | 1-10   | potassium chloride           |
| Not Available | <1   | fluoride, as                 |
| 7789-75-5     |  | calcium fluoride             |
| Not Available | <1   | unreacted phosphate rock     |
| 7647-14-5     | <1   | sodium chloride              |
| 7732-18-5     | 1-10   | water                        |
| Legend:       | t: 1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from CCID EPA NZ; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI; 4. Classification drawn from C&L * EU IOEL Vs available |                              |

# **SECTION 4 First aid measures**

# Description of first aid measures

**Eye Contact** 

If this product comes in contact with the eyes:

- Wash out immediately with fresh running water.
- Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.
- Seek medical attention without delay; if pain persists or recurs seek medical attention.
- ▶ Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

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If skin contact occurs: ▶ Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear. **Skin Contact** Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available). Seek medical attention in event of irritation. ▶ If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area. Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested. Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures. Inhalation Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary. ► Transport to hospital, or doctor. ► IF SWALLOWED, REFER FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION, WHERE POSSIBLE, WITHOUT DELAY. For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor. Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed. In the mean time, qualified first-aid personnel should treat the patient following observation and employing supportive measures as indicated by the patient's condition. If the services of a medical officer or medical doctor are readily available, the patient should be placed in his/her care and a copy of the SDS should be provided. Further action will be the responsibility of the medical specialist If medical attention is not available on the worksite or surroundings send the patient to a hospital together with a copy of the SDS. Ingestion Where medical attention is not immediately available or where the patient is more than 15 minutes from a hospital or unless instructed otherwise INDUCE vomiting with fingers down the back of the throat, ONLY IF CONSCIOUS. Lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down

position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration. **NOTE:** Wear a protective glove when inducing vomiting by mechanical means.

#### Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

# **SECTION 5 Firefighting measures**

#### **Extinguishing media**

- ▶ There is no restriction on the type of extinguisher which may be used.
- Use extinguishing media suitable for surrounding area.

#### Special hazards arising from the substrate or mixture

| Fire Incompatibility    | None known.  |  |  |
|-------------------------|--|--|--|
| Advice for firefighters |  |  |  |
| Fire Fighting           | <ul> <li>Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.</li> <li>Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves in the event of a fire.</li> <li>Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.</li> <li>Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area.</li> <li>DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot.</li> <li>Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.</li> <li>If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.</li> <li>Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.</li> </ul> |  |  |
| Fire/Explosion Hazard   | ▶ Non combustible. ▶ Not considered a significant fire risk, however containers may burn.  Decomposition may produce toxic fumes of: nitrogen oxides (NOx) phosphorus oxides (POx) sulfur oxides (SOx) silicon dioxide (SiO2) metal oxides  May emit poisonous fumes.  May emit corrosive fumes.   |  |  |

# **SECTION 6 Accidental release measures**

#### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See section 8

# **Environmental precautions**

See section 12

# Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

| Minor Spills | <ul> <li>Remove all ignition sources.</li> <li>Clean up all spills immediately.</li> <li>Avoid contact with skin and eyes.</li> <li>Control personal contact with the substance, by using protective equipment.</li> <li>Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust.</li> <li>Place in a suitable, labelled container for waste disposal.</li> </ul> |  |
|--------------|---|--|
| Major Spills | Moderate hazard.  CAUTION: Advise personnel in area.  Alert Emergency Services and tell them location and nature of hazard.  Control personal contact by wearing protective clothing.  Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.   |  |

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- Recover product wherever possible.
- FIF DRY: Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust. Collect residues and place in sealed plastic bags or other containers for disposal. IF WET: Vacuum/shovel up and place in labelled containers for disposal.
- ▶ ALWAYS: Wash area down with large amounts of water and prevent runoff into drains.
- If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise Emergency Services

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

#### **SECTION 7 Handling and storage**

#### Precautions for safe handling

- ▶ Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- Prevent concentration in hollows and sumps.
- DO NOT enter confined spaces until atmosphere has been checked.
- DO NOT allow material to contact humans, exposed food or food utensils.
- Avoid contact with incompatible materials. Safe handling
  - 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. Launder contaminated clothing before re-use.
  - Use good occupational work practice.
  - Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.
  - Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.

# Store in original containers.

- Keep containers securely sealed.
- Store in a cool, dry area protected from environmental extremes.
- Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers
- Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.
- Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.

#### For major quantities:

- ▶ Consider storage in bunded areas ensure storage areas are isolated from sources of community water (including stormwater, ground water, lakes and streams).
- Figure that accidental discharge to air or water is the subject of a contingency disaster management plan; this may require consultation with local authorities

# Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

# Suitable container

Other information

- ▶ Glass container is suitable for laboratory quantities
- Polyethylene or polypropylene container
- Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

#### Storage incompatibility

Avoid strong acids, bases















- Must not be stored together
- 0 - May be stored together with specific preventions
- May be stored together

Note: Depending on other risk factors, compatibility assessment based on the table above may not be relevant to storage situations, particularly where large volumes of dangerous goods are stored and handled. Reference should be made to the Safety Data Sheets for each substance or article and risks assessed accordingly.

# **SECTION 8 Exposure controls / personal protection**

# **Control parameters**

#### Occupational Exposure Limits (OEL)

#### INGREDIENT DATA

| Source  | Ingredient                  | Material name   | TWA          | STEL             | Peak             | Notes   |
|---|-----------------------------|---|--------------|------------------|------------------|---|
| New Zealand Workplace<br>Exposure Standards (WES) | calcium sulfate             | Calcium sulphate (Gypsum, Plaster of Paris)           | 10<br>mg/m3  | Not<br>Available | Not<br>Available | Not Available   |
| New Zealand Workplace<br>Exposure Standards (WES) | calcium sulfate             | Plaster of Paris (Calcium sulphate)                   | 10<br>mg/m3  | Not<br>Available | Not<br>Available | Not Available   |
| New Zealand Workplace<br>Exposure Standards (WES) | ferrous sulfate monohydrate | Iron salts, soluble, as Fe                            | 1 mg/m3      | Not<br>Available | Not<br>Available | Not Available   |
| New Zealand Workplace<br>Exposure Standards (WES) | antigorite                  | Particulates not otherwise classified                 | 10<br>mg/m3  | Not<br>Available | Not<br>Available | Not Available   |
| New Zealand Workplace<br>Exposure Standards (WES) | antigorite                  | Particulates not otherwise classified respirable dust | 3 mg/m3      | Not<br>Available | Not<br>Available | Not Available   |
| New Zealand Workplace<br>Exposure Standards (WES) | calcium fluoride            | Fluorides, as F                                       | 2.5<br>mg/m3 | Not<br>Available | Not<br>Available | bio-Exposure can also be estimated by biological monitoring |

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| Ingredient       | TEEL-1   | TEEL-2    | TEEL-3      |
|------------------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| ammonium sulfate | 13 mg/m3 | 140 mg/m3 | 840 mg/m3   |
| calcium fluoride | 15 mg/m3 | 170 mg/m3 | 1,000 mg/m3 |
| sodium chloride  | 0.5 ppm  | 2 ppm     | 20 ppm      |

| Ingredient                   | Original IDLH | Revised IDLH  |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| ammonium sulfate             | Not Available | Not Available |
| calcium sulfate              | Not Available | Not Available |
| ferrous sulfate monohydrate  | Not Available | Not Available |
| calcium phosphate, monobasic | Not Available | Not Available |
| antigorite                   | Not Available | Not Available |
| potassium chloride           | Not Available | Not Available |
| calcium fluoride             | 250 mg/m3     | Not Available |
| sodium chloride              | Not Available | Not Available |
| water                        | Not Available | Not Available |

#### Occupational Exposure Banding

| Ingredient                   | Occupational Exposure Band Rating   | Occupational Exposure Band Limit |  |
|------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|
| ammonium sulfate             | ≤ 0.01 mg/m³  |                                  |  |
| calcium phosphate, monobasic | E ≤ 0.01 mg/m³  |                                  |  |
| sodium chloride              | E ≤ 0.01 mg/m³  |                                  |  |
| Notes:                       | Occupational exposure banding is a process of assigning chemicals into specific categories or bands based on a chemical's potency and the |                                  |  |

adverse health outcomes associated with exposure. The output of this process is an occupational exposure band (OEB), which corresponds to a range of exposure concentrations that are expected to protect worker health.

#### MATERIAL DATA

# **Exposure 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.

Local exhaust ventilation usually required. If risk of overexposure exists, wear approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Supplied-air type respirator may be required in special circumstances. Correct fit is essential to ensure adequate protection. An approved self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) may be required in some situations.

Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage area. 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.

| solvent, vapours, degreasing etc., evaporating from tank (in still air).  | 0.25-0.5 m/s<br>(50-100 f/min.) |
|---|---------------------------------|
| 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) | 0.5-1 m/s (100-200 f/min.)      |
| direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)  | 1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min.)      |
| 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<br>(500-2000 f/min.) |

# Appropriate engineering controls

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Type of Contaminant:

| Lower end of the range                                     | Upper end of the range           |
|--|----------------------------------|
| 1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture      | 1: Disturbing room air currents  |
| 2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only. | 2: Contaminants of high toxicity |
| 3: Intermittent, low production.                           | 3: High production, heavy use    |
| 4: Large hood or large air mass in motion                  | 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.

# Personal protection











# Eye and face protection

- 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

Air Speed:

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the wearing of lenses 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 equivalentl

#### Skin protection

Hands/feet protection

See Hand protection below

The selection of suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality which vary from manufacturer to manufacturer. Where the chemical is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application.

The exact break through time for substances has to be obtained from the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed when making a final choice.

Personal hygiene is a key element of effective hand care. Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended.

Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Important factors in the selection of gloves include:

- frequency and duration of contact,
- chemical resistance of glove material,
- glove thickness and
- dexterity

Select gloves tested to a relevant standard (e.g. Europe EN 374, US F739, AS/NZS 2161.1 or national equivalent).

- When prolonged or frequently repeated contact may occur, a glove with a protection class of 5 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 240 minutes according to EN 374, AS/NZS 2161.10.1 or national equivalent) is recommended.
- When only brief contact is expected, a glove with a protection class of 3 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 60 minutes according to EN 374, AS/NZS 2161.10.1 or national equivalent) is recommended.
- Some glove polymer types are less affected by movement and this should be taken into account when considering gloves for long-term use.
- Contaminated gloves should be replaced.

As defined in ASTM F-739-96 in any application, gloves are rated as:

- Excellent when breakthrough time > 480 min
- Good when breakthrough time > 20 min
- Fair when breakthrough time < 20 min
- Poor when glove material degrades

For general applications, gloves with a thickness typically greater than 0.35 mm, are recommended.

It should be emphasised that glove thickness is not necessarily a good predictor of glove resistance to a specific chemical, as the permeation efficiency of the glove will be dependent on the exact composition of the glove material. Therefore, glove selection should also be based on consideration of the task requirements and knowledge of breakthrough times.

Glove thickness may also vary depending on the glove manufacturer, the glove type and the glove model. Therefore, the manufacturers' technical data should always be taken into account to ensure selection of the most appropriate glove for the task

Note: Depending on the activity being conducted, gloves of varying thickness may be required for specific tasks. For example:

- Thinner gloves (down to 0.1 mm or less) may be required where a high degree of manual dexterity is needed. However, these gloves are only likely to give short duration protection and would normally be just for single use applications, then disposed of.
- Thicker gloves (up to 3 mm or more) may be required where there is a mechanical (as well as a chemical) risk i.e. where there is abrasion or puncture potential

Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended

Experience indicates that the following polymers are suitable as glove materials for protection against undissolved, dry solids, where abrasive particles are not present.

- polychloroprene.
- nitrile rubber.
- butyl rubber.
- fluorocaoutchouc.
- polyvinyl chloride

Gloves should be examined for wear and/ or degradation constantly.

#### **Body protection**

See Other protection below

# Other protection

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

#### Recommended material(s)

# **GLOVE SELECTION INDEX**

Glove selection is based on a modified presentation of the:

# "Forsberg Clothing Performance Index".

The effect(s) of the following substance(s) are taken into account in the computergenerated selection:

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| Material         | СРІ |
|------------------|-----|
| BUTYL            | С   |
| NATURAL RUBBER   | С   |
| NATURAL+NEOPRENE | С   |
| NEOPRENE         | С   |
| NITRILE          | С   |
| PVA              | С   |
| VITON            | С   |

\* CPI - Chemwatch Performance Index

A: Best Selection

B: Satisfactory; may degrade after 4 hours continuous immersion

C: Poor to Dangerous Choice for other than short term immersion

NOTE: As a series of factors will influence the actual performance of the glove, a final

#### Respiratory protection

Particulate. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

| Required Minimum<br>Protection Factor | Half-Face<br>Respirator | Full-Face<br>Respirator | Powered Air<br>Respirator |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| up to 10 x ES                         | P1<br>Air-line*         | -                       | PAPR-P1<br>-              |
| up to 50 x ES                         | Air-line**              | P2                      | PAPR-P2                   |
| up to 100 x ES                        | -                       | P3                      | -                         |
|                                       |                         | Air-line*               | -                         |
| 100+ x ES                             | -                       | Air-line**              | PAPR-P3                   |

\* - Negative pressure demand \*\* - Continuous flow

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(SO2), G = Agricultural chemicals, K = Ammonia(NH3), Hg = Mercury, NO = Oxides of nitrogen, MB = Methyl bromide, AX = Low boiling point organic compounds(below 65 degC)

- Respirators may be necessary when engineering and administrative controls do not adequately prevent exposures.
- The decision to use respiratory protection should be based on professional

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selection must be based on detailed observation. -

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\* Where the glove is to be used on a short term, casual or infrequent basis, factors such as "feel" or convenience (e.g. disposability), may dictate a choice of gloves which might otherwise be unsuitable following long-term or frequent use. A qualified practitioner should be consulted.

judgment that takes into account toxicity information, exposure measurement data, and frequency and likelihood of the worker's exposure - ensure users are not subject to high thermal loads which may result in heat stress or distress due to personal protective equipment (powered, positive flow, full face apparatus may be an option).

- Published occupational exposure limits, where they exist, will assist in determining the adequacy of the selected respiratory protection. These may be government mandated or vendor recommended.
- Certified respirators will be useful for protecting workers from inhalation of particulates when properly selected and fit tested as part of a complete respiratory protection program.
- Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN143) dust masks. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU)
- Use approved positive flow mask if significant quantities of dust becomes airborne.
- Try to avoid creating dust conditions.

Class P2 particulate filters are used for protection against mechanically and thermally generated particulates or both.

P2 is a respiratory filter rating under various international standards,  $\,$  Filters at least 94% of airborne particles

Suitable for:

- · Relatively small particles generated by mechanical processes eg. grinding, cutting, sanding, drilling, sawing.
- Sub-micron thermally generated particles e.g. welding fumes, fertilizer and bushfire smoke.
- Biologically active airborne particles under specified infection control applications e.g. viruses, bacteria, COVID-19, SARS

#### **SECTION 9 Physical and chemical properties**

#### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

| Appearance                                   | Coloured granules; soluble in water. |   |                |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|----------------|
| Dhysical state                               | Divided Called                       | Deletive deveits (Meter 4)              | Net Assileble  |
| Physical state                               | Divided Solid                        | Relative density (Water = 1)            | Not Available  |
| Odour  | Not Available                        | Partition coefficient n-octanol / water | Not Available  |
| Odour threshold                              | Not Available                        | Auto-ignition temperature (°C)          | Not Applicable |
| pH (as supplied)                             | Not Available                        | Decomposition temperature               | Not Available  |
| Melting point / freezing point (°C)          | Not Available                        | Viscosity (cSt)                         | Not Applicable |
| Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C) | Not Applicable                       | Molecular weight (g/mol)                | Not Applicable |
| Flash point (°C)                             | Not Applicable                       | Taste                                   | Not Available  |
| Evaporation rate                             | Not Available                        | Explosive properties                    | Not Available  |
| Flammability                                 | Not Applicable                       | Oxidising properties                    | Not Available  |
| Upper Explosive Limit (%)                    | Not Applicable                       | Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)        | Not Applicable |
| Lower Explosive Limit (%)                    | Not Applicable                       | Volatile Component (%vol)               | Not Available  |
| Vapour pressure (kPa)                        | Not Applicable                       | Gas group                               | Not Available  |
| Solubility in water                          | Miscible                             | pH as a solution (%)                    | Not Available  |
| Vapour density (Air = 1)                     | Not Available                        | VOC g/L                                 | Not Available  |

# **SECTION 10 Stability and reactivity**

| Reactivity                         | See section 7  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Chemical stability                 | <ul> <li>Unstable in the presence of incompatible materials.</li> <li>Product is considered stable.</li> <li>Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.</li> </ul> |
| Possibility of hazardous reactions | See section 7  |
| Conditions to avoid                | See section 7  |
| Incompatible materials             | See section 7  |
| Hazardous decomposition products   | See section 5  |

#### **SECTION 11 Toxicological information**

# Information on toxicological effects

Inhaled

Inhalation of dusts, generated by the material during the course of normal handling, may be damaging to the health of the individual.

Levels above 10 ug/m3 of suspended inorganic sulfates in the air may cause an excess risk of asthmatic attacks in susceptible persons

Persons with impaired respiratory function, airway diseases and conditions such as emphysema or chronic bronchitis, may incur further disability if excessive concentrations of particulate are inhaled.

If prior damage to the circulatory or nervous systems has occurred or if kidney damage has been sustained, proper screenings should be conducted on individuals who may be exposed to further risk if handling and use of the material result in excessive exposures.

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Effects on lungs are significantly enhanced in the presence of respirable particles. Overexposure to respirable dust may produce wheezing, coughing and breathing difficulties leading to or symptomatic of impaired respiratory function. Accidental ingestion of the material may be harmful; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 150 gram may be fatal or may Ingestion produce serious damage to the health of the individual. Evidence exists, or practical experience predicts, that the material either produces inflammation of the skin in a substantial number of individuals following direct contact, and/or produces significant inflammation when applied to the healthy intact skin of animals, for up to four hours, such inflammation being present twenty-four hours or more after the end of the exposure period. Skin irritation may also be present after prolonged or repeated exposure; this may result in a form of contact dermatitis (nonallergic). The dermatitis is often characterised by skin redness (erythema) Skin Contact and swelling (oedema) which may progress to blistering (vesiculation), scaling and thickening of the epidermis. At the microscopic level there may be intercellular oedema of the spongy layer of the skin (spongiosis) and intracellular oedema of the epidermis. The material may accentuate any pre-existing dermatitis condition Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material Entry into the blood-stream through, for example, cuts, abrasions, puncture wounds 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. Evidence exists, or practical experience predicts, that the material may cause eye irritation in a substantial number of individuals and/or may produce significant ocular lesions which are present twenty-four hours or more after instillation into the eye(s) of experimental animals. Eye Repeated or prolonged eve contact may cause inflammation characterised by temporary redness (similar to windburn) of the conjunctiva (conjunctivitis); temporary impairment of vision and/or other transient eye damage/ulceration may occur. Limited evidence suggests that repeated or long-term occupational exposure may produce cumulative health effects involving organs or biochemical systems. Limited evidence shows that inhalation of the material is capable of inducing a sensitisation reaction in a significant number of individuals at a greater frequency than would be expected from the response of a normal population. Pulmonary sensitisation, resulting in hyperactive airway dysfunction and pulmonary allergy may be accompanied by fatigue, malaise and aching. Significant symptoms of exposure may persist for extended periods, even after exposure ceases. Symptoms can be activated by a variety of nonspecific environmental stimuli such as automobile exhaust, perfumes and passive smoking. Overexposure to respirable dust may cause coughing, wheezing, difficulty in breathing and impaired lung function. Chronic symptoms may include decreased vital lung capacity, chest infections Repeated exposures, in an occupational setting, to high levels of fine- divided dusts may produce a condition known as pneumoconiosis which is the lodgement of any inhaled dusts in the lung irrespective of the effect. This is particularly true when a significant number of particles less than 0.5 microns (1/50,000 inch), are present. Lung shadows are seen in the X-ray. Symptoms of pneumoconiosis may include a progressive dry

#### Chronic

cavity) as a rare complication.

Removing workers from possibility of further exposure to dust generally leads to halting the progress of the lung abnormalities. Where workerexposure potential is high, periodic examinations with emphasis on lung dysfunctions should be undertaken

cough, shortness of breath on exertion (exertional dyspnea), increased chest expansion, weakness and weight loss. As the disease progresses the cough produces a stringy mucous, vital capacity decreases further and shortness of breath becomes more severe. Other signs or symptoms include altered breath sounds, diminished lung capacity, diminished oxygen uptake during exercise, emphysema and pneumothorax (air in lung

Dust inhalation over an extended number of years may produce pneumoconiosis.. Pneumoconiosis is the accumulation of dusts in the lungs and the tissue reaction in its presence. It is further classified as being of noncollagenous or collagenous types. Noncollagenous pneumoconiosis, the benign form, is identified by minimal stromal reaction, consists mainly of reticulin fibres, an intact alveolar architecture and is potentially reversible.

Chronic excessive iron exposure has been associated with haemosiderosis and consequent possible damage to the liver and pancreas. Haemosiderin is a golden-brown insoluble protein produced by phagocytic digestion of haematin (an iron-based pigment). Haemosiderin is found in most tissues, especially in the liver, in the form of granules. Other sites of haemosiderin deposition include the pancreas and skin. A related condition, haemochromatosis, which involves a disorder of metabolism of these deposits, may produce cirrhosis of the liver, diabetes, and bronze pigmentation of the skin - heart failure may eventually occur.

Such exposure may also produce conjunctivitis, choroiditis, retinitis (both inflammatory conditions involving the eye) and siderosis of tissues if iron remains in these tissues. Siderosis is a form of pneumoconiosis produced by iron dusts. Siderosis also includes discoloration of organs, excess circulating iron and degeneration of the retina, lens and uvea as a result of the deposition of intraocular iron. Siderosis might also involve the lungs - involvement rarely develops before ten years of regular exposure. Often there is an accompanying inflammatory reaction of the bronchi. Permanent scarring of the lungs does not normally occur.

High levels of iron may raise the risk of cancer. This concern stems from the theory that iron causes oxidative damage to tissues and organs by generating highly reactive chemicals, called free radicals, which subsequently react with DNA. Cells may be disrupted and may be become cancerous. People whose genetic disposition prevents them from keeping tight control over iron (e.g. those with the inherited disorder, haemochromatosis) may be at increased risk.

Iron overload in men may lead to diabetes, arthritis, liver cancer, heart irregularities and problems with other organs as iron builds up. [K. Schmidt, New Scientist, No. 1919 pp.11-12, 2nd April, 1994]

Levels above 10 ug/m3 of suspended inorganic sulfates in the air may cause an excess risk of asthmatic attacks in susceptible persons

| Lawn Fert with Moss Killer  | TOXICITY  | IRRITATION  |  |
|-----------------------------|---|---|--|
| (FE)                        | Not Available                                     | Not Available   |  |
|                             | TOXICITY  | IRRITATION  |  |
| ammonium sulfate            | dermal (rat) LD50: >2000 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>     | Eye: no adverse effect observed (not irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>   |  |
|                             | Oral(Mouse) LD50; 610 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>        | Skin: no adverse effect observed (not irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>  |  |
|                             | TOXICITY  | IRRITATION  |  |
| calcium sulfate             | Inhalation(Rat) LC50; >3.26 mg/l4h <sup>[1]</sup> | Not Available   |  |
|                             | Oral(Rat) LD50; >1581 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>        |   |  |
|                             | TOXICITY  | IRRITATION  |  |
| ferrous sulfate monohydrate | Oral(Rat) LD50; 319 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>          | Not Available   |  |
|                             | TOXICITY  | IRRITATION  |  |
| calcium phosphate,          | Dermal (rabbit) LD50: >300 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>   | Eye : Severe  |  |
| monobasic                   | Inhalation(Rat) LC50; >2.6 mg/l4h <sup>[1]</sup>  | Eye: adverse effect observed (irreversible damage) <sup>[1]</sup> |  |
|                             | Oral(Rat) LD50; 3986 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>         | Skin: no adverse effect observed (not irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>  |  |

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|                    | TOXICITY  | IRRITATION                         |
|--------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| antigorite         | Not Available                                     | Not Available                      |
|                    | TOXICITY  | IRRITATION                         |
| potassium chloride | Oral(Mouse) LD50; ~117 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>       | Eye (rabbit): 500 mg/24h - mild    |
|                    | TOXICITY  | IRRITATION                         |
|                    | dermal (rat) LD50: >905 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>      | Not Available                      |
| calcium fluoride   | Inhalation(Rat) LC50; 0.29 mg/l4h <sup>[1]</sup>  |                                    |
|                    | Oral(Rat) LD50; 101 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>          |                                    |
|                    | TOXICITY  | IRRITATION                         |
|                    | Dermal (rabbit) LD50: >10000 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup> | Eye (rabbit): 10 mg - moderate     |
| sodium chloride    | Inhalation(Rat) LC50; >10.5 mg/l4h <sup>[1]</sup> | Eye (rabbit):100 mg/24h - moderate |
|                    | Oral(Rat) LD50; 3000 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>         | Skin (rabbit): 500 mg/24h - mild   |
| water              | TOXICITY  | IRRITATION                         |
|                    | 2 [2]   | Not Available                      |
| water              | Oral(Rat) LD50; >90000 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>       | Not Available                      |

for ammonium sulfate

As ammonium sulfate dissociates in biological systems studies with other ammonium and sulfate salts can be used to cover these endpoints: A screening study according to OECD TG 422 with ammonium phosphate as analogue substance, which forms ammonium ions in aqueous solutions is available. Fully valid fertility studies with analogue compounds containing sulfate ions are however lacking. Two limited studies with sodium sulfate can be used for assessment of fertility and

developmental toxicity, however, in none of these studies have the foetuses been examined histologically. There are no in vivo data on genotoxicity for ammonium sulfate. To bridge the data gap, data for ammonium chloride, which dissociates in aqueous media to form ammonium ions, as does ammonium sulfate, will be used.

In aqueous media, ammonium sulfate dissociates in the ammonium and sulfate ions (NH4+, SO4 2-). These can be taken up into the body by the oral and respiratory routes. Absorbed ammonium is transported to the liver and there metabolised to urea and excreted via the kidneys. Ammonium is also an endogenous substance that serves a major role in the maintenance of the acid-base balance. Minor amounts of ammonium nitrogen are incorporated in the physiological N-pool. Sulfate is a normal intermediate in the metabolism of endogenous sulfur compounds, and is excreted unchanged or in conjugated form in urine.

Acute toxicity: Ammonium sulfate is of relatively low acute toxicity (LD50, oral, rat: 2000 - 4250 mg/kg bw; LD50 dermal, rat/mouse > 2000 mg/kg bw; 8-h LC50, inhalation, rat > 1000 mg/m3). Clinical signs after oral exposure included staggering, prostration, apathy, and laboured and irregular breathing immediately after dosing at doses near to or exceeding the LD50 value. In humans, inhalation exposure to 0.1-0.5 mg ammonium sulfate/m3 aerosol for two to four hours produced no pulmonary effects. At 1 mg ammonium sulfate/m3 very slight pulmonary effects in the form of a decrease in expiratory flow, in pulmonary flow resistance and dynamic lung compliance were found in healthy volunteers after acute exposure.

Neat ammonium sulfate was not irritating to the skin and eyes of rabbits. There is no data on sensitisation available.

Repeat dose toxicity: A 14-day inhalation study on rats exposed to 300 mg/m3, the only tested dose, did not report histopathological changes in the lower respiratory tract. As the respiratory tract is the target organ for inhalation exposure, the NOEL for toxicity to the lower respiratory tract is 300 mg/m3.

The NOAEL after feeding diets containing ammonium sulfate for 13 weeks to rats was 886 mg/kg bw/day. The only toxicity sign found was diarrhea in male animals of the high-dose group (LOAEL: 1792 mg/kg bw/day).

Reproductive toxicity: There are no valid studies available on the effects of ammonium sulfate on fertility and development. Based on data from a similar ammonium compound (diammonium phosphate), which has been tested up to 1500 mg/kg bw in a screening study according to OECD TG 422 in rats it can be concluded that ammonium ions up to the dose tested have no negative effects on fertility. In the 13-week feeding study of ammonium sulfate with rats, no histological changes of testes were observed up to 1792 mg/kg bw. The ovaries were not examined. Fully valid studies with sulfate on fertility are not available.

In a limited study (pretreatment time short, low number of animals, no fertility indices measured) where female mice were treated with up to ca. 6550 mg sulfate/kg bw (as sodium sulfate) no effects on litter size were found.

**Developmental toxicity:** Studies of developmental toxicity for ammonium sulfate are not available. In the screening study according to OECD TG 422 with up to 1500 mg diammonium phosphate/kg bw no effects on development have been detected in rats. In another limited screening study with exposure of mice to a single dose of 2800 mg sodium sulfate/kg bw no macroscopic effects or adverse effects on body weight gain have been detected in the pups. In both studies foetuses were not examined histopathologically

Genotoxicity: Ammonium sulfate was not mutagenic in bacteria (Ames test) and yeasts with and without metabolic activation systems. It did not induce chromosomal aberrations in mammalian or human cell cultures. No in vivo genotoxicity tests are available. Based on the negative results from in vitro studies and the negative results in the micronucleus test in vivo with ammonium chloride a mutagenic activity of ammonium sulfate in vivo is unlikely.

Similarly to other salts, high doses of ammonium sulfate may have the capability of tumour promotion in the rat stomach; it is, however, much less potent than sodium chloride when tested under identical conditions.

Gypsum (calcium sulfate dihydrate) is a skin, eye, mucous membrane, and respiratory system irritant. Early studies of gypsum miners did not relate pneumoconiosis with chronic exposure to gypsum. Other studies in humans (as well as animals) showed no lung fibrosis produced by natural dusts of calcium sulfate except in the presence of silica. However, a series of studies reported chronic nonspecific respiratory diseases in gypsum industry workers in Gacki, Poland.

Unlike other fibers, gypsum is very soluble in the body; its half-life in the lungs has been estimated as minutes. In four healthy men receiving calcium supplementation with calcium sulfate (CaSO4-1/2H2O) (200 or 220 mg) for 22 days, an average absorption of 28.3% was reported. Several feeding studies in pigs on the bioavailability of calcium in calcium supplements, including gypsum, have been conducted. The bioavailability of calcium in gypsum was similar to that for calcitic limestone, oyster shell flour, marble dust, and aragonite, ranging from 85 to 102%. In mice, the i.p. and intragastric LD50 values were 6200 and 4704 mg/kg, respectively, for phosphogypsum (98% CaSO4-H2O). For Plaster of Paris, the values were 4415 and 5824, respectively. In

rats, an intragastric LD50 of 9934 mg/kg was reported for phosphogypsum

Repeat dose toxicity: In a study of 241 underground male workers employed in four gypsum mines in Nottinghamshire and Sussex for a year (November 1976-December 1977), results of chest X-rays, lung function tests, and respiratory systems suggested an association of the observed lung shadows with the higher quartz content in dust rather than to gypsum; the small round opacities in the lungs were characteristic of silica

# AMMONIUM SULFATE

# CALCIUM SULFATE

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exposure.

Prophylactic examinations of workers in a gypsum extraction and production plant (dust concentration exceeded TLV 2.5- to 10-fold) reported no risk of pneumoconiosis due to gypsum exposure, while another study of gypsum manufacturing plant workers reported that chronic occupational exposure to gypsum dust had resulted in pulmonary ventilatory defect of the restrictive form.

Three cases of idiopathic interstitial pneumonia with multiple bullae throughout the lungs were seen in Japanese schoolteachers (lifetime occupation) exposed to chalk; 2/3 of the chalk was made from gypsum and small amounts of silica and other minerals.

In rats exposed to an aerosol of anhydrous calcium sulfate fibers (15 mg/m3) or a combination of milled and fibrous calcium sulfate (60 mg/m3) six hours per day, five days per week for three weeks, gypsum dust was quickly cleared from the lungs of via dissolution and mechanisms of particle clearance.

In guinea pigs given intraperitoneal (i.p.) injections of gypsum (doses not provided), gypsum was absorbed followed by the dissolution of gypsum in surrounding tissues. In another study, after i.p. injection of gypsum (2 cm3 of a 5 or 10% suspension in saline) into guinea pigs, which were sacrificed at intervals up to 180 days, most of the dust was found distributed in the peritoneum of the anterior abdominal wall. Gypsum dust produced irregular and clustered nodules, which decreased in size over time.

Direct administration of WTC PM2.5 [mostly composed of calcium-based compounds, including calcium sulfate (gypsum) and calcium carbonate (calcite)] (10, 32, or 100 µg) into the airways of mice produced mild to moderate lung inflammation and airway hyperresponsiveness at the high dose. [It was noted that WTC PM2.5 is composed of many chemical species and that their interactions may be related with development of airway hyperresponsiveness.] In female SPF Wistar rats intratracheally (i.t.) instilled with anhydrite dust (35 mg) and sacrificed three months later, an increase in total lipid or hydroxyproline content in the lungs was not observed compared to controls.

In inhalation (nose-only) experiments in which male F344 rats were exposed to calcium sulfate fiber aerosols (100 mg/m3) for six hours per day, five days per week for three weeks, there were no effects on the number of macrophages per alveolus, bronchoalveolar lavage fluid (BALF) protein concentration, or BALF g-glutamyl transpeptidase activity (g-GT). Following three weeks of recovery, nonprotein thiol levels (NPSH), mainly glutathione, were increased in animals. In follow-up experiments, rats were exposed to an aerosol of anhydrous calcium sulfate fibers (15 mg/m3) or a combination of milled and fibrous calcium sulfate (60 mg/m3) for the same duration. Calcium levels in the lungs were similar to those of controls; however, gypsum fibers were detected in the lungs of treated animals. Significant increases in NSPH levels in BALF were observed in rats killed immediately after exposure at both doses and in recovery group animals at the higher dose. At 15 mg/m3, almost all NPSH was lost in macrophages from all treated animals (including those in recovery), but a significant decrease in extracellular g-GT activity was seen only in recovery group animals. Overall, the findings were "considered to be non-pathological local effects due to physical factors related to the shape of the gypsum fibers and not to calcium sulphate per se."

Intratracheal administration of man-made calcium sulfate fiber (2.0 mg) once per week for five weeks resulted in no deaths or significant body weight changes in female Syrian hamsters compared to controls.

Inflammation (specifically, chronic alveolitis with macrophage and neutrophil aggregation) was observed in the lung.

In guinea pigs, inhalation of calcined gypsum dust (1.6 x 104 particles/mL) for 44 hours per week in 5.5 days for two years, followed with or without a recovery period of up to 22 months, produced only minor effects in the lungs. There were 12 of 21 deaths over the entire experimental period. These were due to pneumonia or other pulmonary lesions; however, no significant gross signs of pulmonary disease or nodular or diffuse pneumoconiosis became significant. Beginning near 11 months, pigmentation and atelectasis were seen. During the recovery period, four of ten guinea pigs died; two died of pneumonia. Pigmentation continued in most animals but not atelectasis. Low-grade chronic inflammation, occurring in the first two months, also disappeared.

Mercury emissions controls on coal-fired power plants have increased the likelihood of the presence of mercury in synthetic gypsum formed in wet flue gas desulfurisation (FGD) systems and the finished wallboard produced from the FGD gypsum. In a study at a commercial wallboard plant, the raw FGD gypsum, the product stucco (beta form of CaSO4-1/2H2O), and the finished dry wallboard each contained about 1 ug Hg/g dry weight. Total mercury loss from the original FGD gypsum content was about 0.045 g Hg/ton dry gypsum processed

Synergistic/Antagonistic Effects: In rats, i.t. administration of anhydrite (5-35 mg) successively and simultaneously with quartz reduced the toxic effect of quartz in lung tissue. This protective effect on quartz toxicity was also seen in guinea pigs;

calcined gypsum dust prevented or hindered the development of fibrosis. Natural anhydrite, however, increased the fibrogenic effect of cadmium sulfide in rats. Additionally, calcined gypsum dust had a stimulatory effect on experimental tuberculosis in guinea pigs.

**Cytotoxicity:** In Syrian hamster embryo cells, gypsum (up to 10 ug/cm2) did not induce apoptosis. Negative results were also found in mouse peritoneal macrophages (tested at 150 ug/mL gypsum dust) and in Chinese hamster lung V79-4 cells (tested up to 100 ug/mL).

Carcinogenicity: In female Sprague-Dawley rats, i.p. injection of natural anhydrite dusts from German coal mines (doses not provided) induced granulomas; whether gypsum was the causal factor was not established. In Wistar rats, four i.p. injections of gypsum (25 mg each) induced abdominal cavity tumours, mostly sarcomatous mesothelioma, in 5% of animals; first tumour was seen at 546 days. In a subsequent experiment using the same procedure, female Wistar rats exhibited the first tumour at 579 days after the last injection. Mean survival of the tumour-bearing rats (5.7% of test group) was 583 days, while mean survival of the test group was 587 days. Tumour types seen were a sarcoma having cellular polymorphism, a carcinoma, and a reticulosarcoma.

Intratracheal administration of man-made calcium sulfate fiber (2.0 mg) once per week for five weeks produced tumours in three of 20 female Syrian hamsters observed two years later. An anaplastic carcinoma was found in the heart, and one dark cell carcinoma was seen in the kidney. Two tumours of unspecified types were observed in the rib.

In guinea pigs, inhalation of gypsum (doses not provided) for 24 months produced no lung tumours.

In rats, i.t. administration of gypsum (doses not provided in abstract) from FGD for up to 18 months produced no arterial blood gas changes or indications of secondary heart damage as compared to controls.

In another study, a single i.t. dose (25 mg) of flue gas gypsum dust did not produce a pathological reaction when observed for up to 18 months. There were also no signs of developing granuloma of fibrosis of the lungs. Lead quickly accumulated in the femur after injection but was eliminated during the observation period. In the Ames test, the flue gas gypsum dust was negative.

**Genotoxicity:** Calcium sulfate (up to 2.5%) was negative in Salmonella typhimurium strains TA1535, TA1537, and TA1538 and in Saccharomyces cerevisiae strain D4 with and without metabolic activation.

**Developmental toxicity:** In pregnant mice, rats, and rabbits, daily oral administration of calcium sulfate (16-1600 mg/kg bw) beginning on gestation day 6 up to 18 produced no effects on maternal body weights, maternal or foetal survival, or nidation; developmental effects were also not seen.

# FERROUS SULFATE MONOHYDRATE

as CAS RN 7720-78-7 ferrous sulfate
For talc (a form of magnesium silicate)

conjunctivitis.

#### ANTIGORITE

The overuse of talc in nursing infants has resulted in pulmonary oedema, pneumonia and death within hours of inhaling talcum powder. The powder dries the mucous membranes of the bronchioles, disrupts pulmonary clearance, clogs smaller airways. Victims display wheezing, rapid or difficult breathing, increased pulse, cyanosis, fever. Mild exposure may cause relatively minor inflammatory lung disease.

Long term exposure may show wheezing, weakness, productive cough, limited chest expansion, scattered rales, cyanosis.

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

# POTASSIUM CHLORIDE

conjunctivitis.

The material may produce moderate eye irritation leading to inflammation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may produce

#### SODIUM CHLORIDE

The material may cause skin irritation after prolonged or repeated exposure and may produce a contact dermatitis (nonallergic). This form of dermatitis is often characterised by skin redness (erythema) and swelling epidermis. Histologically there may be intercellular oedema of the spongy layer (spongiosis) and intracellular oedema of the epidermis.

# AMMONIUM SULFATE & CALCIUM SULFATE & CALCIUM PHOSPHATE, MONOBASIC & CALCIUM FLUORIDE & SODIUM

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

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| CHLORIDE                          | spirometry, with the presence of moderate to severe bronchial hyperreactivity on methacholin<br>lymphocytic inflammation, without eosinophilia, have also been included in the criteria for dia-<br>irritating inhalation is an infrequent disorder with rates related to the concentration of and dur.<br>Industrial bronchitis, on the other hand, is a disorder that occurs as result of exposure due to<br>particulate in nature) and is completely reversible after exposure ceases. The disorder is cha<br>production. | gnosis of RADS. RADS (or asthma) following an ation of exposure to the irritating substance. high concentrations of irritating substance (often |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| ANTIGORITE & WATER                | No significant acute toxicological data identified in literature search.   |   |
| Acute Toxicity                    | ✓ Carcinogenicity  | ×   |
| Skin Irritation/Corrosion         | Reproductivity   | ×   |
| Serious Eye Damage/Irritation     | ✓ STOT - Single Exposure   | ×   |
| Respiratory or Skin sensitisation | X STOT - Repeated Exposure   | ×   |
| Mutagenicity                      | X Aspiration Hazard  | ×   |

Legend:

X − Data either not available or does not fill the criteria for classification
 ✓ − Data available to make classification

# **SECTION 12 Ecological information**

# Toxicity

|                                    | Endpoint         | Test Duration (hr) |     | Species                       |       | Value            | Source           |
|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----|-------------------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|
| Lawn Fert with Moss Killer<br>(FE) | Not<br>Available | Not Available      |     | Not Available                 |       | Not<br>Available | Not<br>Available |
|                                    | Endpoint         | Test Duration (hr) |     | Species                       |       | Value            | Source           |
|                                    | EC50(ECx)        | 24h                |     | Fish                          |       | 0.068mg/L        | 5                |
| ammonium sulfate                   | EC50             | 72h                |     | Algae or other aquatic plants |       | 190mg/l          | 2                |
|                                    | LC50             | 96h                |     | Fish                          |       | 34.6mg/l         | 2                |
|                                    | EC50             | 48h                |     | Crustacea                     |       | 60mg/l           | 2                |
|                                    | Endpoint         | Test Duration (hr) |     | Species                       |       | Value            | Source           |
|                                    | NOEC(ECx)        | 0.25h              |     | Fish                          |       | 75mg/l           | 4                |
| calcium sulfate                    | EC50             | 72h                |     | Algae or other aquatic plants |       | >79mg/l          | 2                |
|                                    | LC50             | 96h                |     | Fish                          |       | >79mg/l          | 2                |
|                                    | Endpoint         | Test Duration (hr) | Sp  | ecies                         | Value | •                | Source           |
|                                    | LC50             | 96h                | Fis | h                             | 36.36 | -60.6mg/L        | 4                |
| errous sulfate monohydrate         | EC50             | 48h                | Cru | ıstacea                       | 140.3 | 9-186.85mg/L     | 4                |
|                                    | EC50(ECx)        | 48h                | Cru | ıstacea                       | 140.3 | 9-186.85mg/L     | 4                |
|                                    | Endpoint         | Test Duration (hr) |     | Species                       |       | Value            | Sourc            |
|                                    | EC50(ECx)        | 48h                |     | Crustacea                     |       | >2.9mg/l         | 2                |
| calcium phosphate,<br>monobasic    | EC50             | 72h                |     | Algae or other aquatic plants |       | >4.4mg/l         | 2                |
| monopasic                          | LC50             | 96h                |     | Fish                          |       | >13.5mg/l        | 2                |
|                                    | EC50             | 48h                |     | Crustacea                     |       | >2.9mg/l         | 2                |
|                                    | Endpoint         | Test Duration (hr) |     | Species                       |       | Value            | Source           |
| antigorite                         | Not<br>Available | Not Available      |     | Not Available                 |       | Not<br>Available | Not<br>Availabl  |
|                                    | Endpoint         | Test Duration (hr) | :   | Species                       | \     | /alue            | Sourc            |
|                                    | NOEC(ECx)        | 25h                |     | Fish                          | 9     | ).319mg/L        | 4                |
| notaccium chlorida                 | EC50             | 72h                |     | Algae or other aquatic plants | >     | -100mg/l         | 2                |
| potassium chloride                 | LC50             | 96h                |     | Fish                          | 7     | '50-1020mg/l     | 4                |
|                                    | EC50             | 48h                |     | Crustacea                     | 9     | 5.3-170.7mg/l    | 4                |
|                                    | EC50             | 96h                | ,   | Algae or other aquatic plants | 8     | 94.6mg/L         | 4                |
|                                    | Endpoint         | Test Duration (hr) | S   | pecies                        | Val   | ue               | Source           |
|                                    | NOEC(ECx)        | 504h               | С   | rustacea                      | 3.7   | mg/l             | 2                |
| anlaium flucsists                  | EC50             | 72h                | A   | gae or other aquatic plants   | >10   | 0mg/l            | 2                |
| calcium fluoride                   | LC50             | 96h                | Fi  | sh                            | >=1   | 0.4<=150mg/l     | 2                |
|                                    | EC50             | 48h                | С   | rustacea                      | 97n   | ng/l             | 2                |
|                                    | EC50             | 96h                |     | gae or other aquatic plants   | 43n   |                  | 2                |

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|                 | Endpoint         | Test Duration (hr)                  | Species  | Value             |                  | Source           |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                 | NOEC(ECx)        | 168h                                | Crustacea  | 0.63m             | ıg/l             | 4                |
| sodium chloride | EC50             | 72h                                 | Algae or other aquatic plants                      | 20.76-            | -36.17mg/L       | 4                |
|                 | LC50             | 96h                                 | Fish   | 3644-             | 4565mg/l         | 4                |
|                 | EC50             | 48h                                 | Crustacea  | 340.7             | -469.2mg/l       | 4                |
|                 | EC50             | 96h                                 | Algae or other aquatic plants                      | 1110.3            | 36mg/L           | 4                |
|                 | Endpoint         | Test Duration (hr)                  | Species  |                   | Value            | Source           |
| water           | Not<br>Available | Not Available                       | Not Available                                      |                   | Not<br>Available | Not<br>Available |
| Legend:         | Extracted from   | 1. IUCLID Toxicity Data 2. Europe E | ECHA Registered Substances - Ecotoxicological Info | rmation - Aquatic | Toxicity 3. E    | PIWIN S          |

Data 6. NITE (Japan) - Bioconcentration Data 7. METI (Japan) - Bioconcentration Data 8. Vendor Data

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

DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways

#### Persistence and degradability

| Ingredient         | Persistence: Water/Soil | Persistence: Air |
|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| ammonium sulfate   | HIGH                    | HIGH             |
| calcium sulfate    | HIGH                    | HIGH             |
| potassium chloride | HIGH                    | HIGH             |
| sodium chloride    | LOW                     | LOW              |
| water              | LOW                     | LOW              |

#### **Bioaccumulative potential**

| Ingredient         | Bioaccumulation        |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| ammonium sulfate   | LOW (LogKOW = -2.2002) |
| calcium sulfate    | LOW (LogKOW = -2.2002) |
| potassium chloride | LOW (LogKOW = -0.4608) |
| sodium chloride    | LOW (LogKOW = 0.5392)  |

#### Mobility in soil

| •                  |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Ingredient         | Mobility          |
| ammonium sulfate   | LOW (KOC = 6.124) |
| calcium sulfate    | LOW (KOC = 6.124) |
| potassium chloride | LOW (KOC = 14.3)  |
| sodium chloride    | LOW (KOC = 14.3)  |

# **SECTION 13 Disposal considerations**

# Waste treatment methods

Product / Packaging disposal

- ▶ DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning or process equipment to enter drains.
- It may be necessary to collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.
- In all cases disposal to sewer may be subject to local laws and regulations and these should be considered first.
   Where in doubt contact the responsible authority.
- Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- Consult State Land Waste Management Authority for disposal.
- ▶ Bury residue in an authorised landfill.
- ▶ Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorised landfill.

Ensure that the hazardous substance is disposed in accordance with the Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Notice 2017

# **Disposal Requirements**

Packages that have been in direct contact with the hazardous substance must be only disposed if the hazardous substance was appropriately removed and cleaned out from the package. The package must be disposed according to the manufacturer's directions taking into account the material it is made of. Packages which hazardous content have been appropriately treated and removed may be recycled.

The hazardous substance must only be disposed if it has been treated by a method that changed the characteristics or composition of the substance and it is no longer hazardous. Only dispose to the environment if a tolerable exposure limit has been set for the substance.

Only deposit the hazardous substance into or onto a landfill or sewage facility or incinerator, where the hazardous substance can be handled and treated appropriately.

# **SECTION 14 Transport information**

# Labels Required

| Marine Pollutant | NO             |  |
|------------------|----------------|--|
| HAZCHEM          | Not Applicable |  |

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Land transport (UN): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC code

Not Applicable

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Transport in bulk in accordance with MARPOL Annex V and the IMSBC Code

| ransport in bulk in accordance with MAKFOL Affilex V and the IMSBC Code |               |
|---|---------------|
| Product name  | Group         |
| ammonium sulfate  | Not Available |
| calcium sulfate   | Not Available |
| ferrous sulfate monohydrate   | Not Available |
| calcium phosphate, monobasic  | Not Available |
| antigorite  | Not Available |
| potassium chloride  | Not Available |
| calcium fluoride  | Not Available |
| sodium chloride   | Not Available |
| water   | Not Available |

#### Transport in bulk in accordance with the ICG Code

| Product name                 | Ship Type     |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| ammonium sulfate             | Not Available |
| calcium sulfate              | Not Available |
| ferrous sulfate monohydrate  | Not Available |
| calcium phosphate, monobasic | Not Available |
| antigorite                   | Not Available |
| potassium chloride           | Not Available |
| calcium fluoride             | Not Available |
| sodium chloride              | Not Available |
| water                        | Not Available |

### **SECTION 15 Regulatory information**

# Safety, health and environmental regulations / legislation specific for the substance or mixture

This substance is to be managed using the conditions specified in an applicable Group Standard

| HSR Number | Group Standard                                    |
|------------|---|
| HSR002571  | Fertilisers Subsidiary Hazard Group Standard 2020 |

Please refer to Section 8 of the SDS for any applicable tolerable exposure limit or Section 12 for environmental exposure limit.

# ammonium sulfate is found on the following regulatory lists

FEI Equine Prohibited Substances List - Banned Substances
FEI Equine Prohibited Substances List (EPSL)
New Zealand Approved Hazardous Substances with controls

New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals

New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals - Classification Data

New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)

#### calcium sulfate is found on the following regulatory lists

New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)

New Zealand Workplace Exposure Standards (WES)

#### ferrous sulfate monohydrate is found on the following regulatory lists

New Zealand Approved Hazardous Substances with controls

New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO)  $\operatorname{Act}$  - Classification of Chemicals

New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals - Classification Data

New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)

New Zealand Workplace Exposure Standards (WES)

# calcium phosphate, monobasic is found on the following regulatory lists

New Zealand Approved Hazardous Substances with controls

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New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals - Classification Data

#### antigorite is found on the following regulatory lists

New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)

New Zealand Workplace Exposure Standards (WES)

# potassium chloride is found on the following regulatory lists

New Zealand Approved Hazardous Substances with controls

New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals

New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals - Classification Data

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calcium fluoride is found on the following regulatory lists

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Classified by the IARC Monographs

New Zealand Approved Hazardous Substances with controls

New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals

New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals - Classification Data

New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)

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New Zealand Workplace Exposure Standards (WES)

#### sodium chloride is found on the following regulatory lists

New Zealand Approved Hazardous Substances with controls

New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals

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#### water is found on the following regulatory lists

New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)

#### **Hazardous Substance Location**

Subject to the Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017.

| Hazard Class   | Quantities     |
|----------------|----------------|
| Not Applicable | Not Applicable |

#### **Certified Handler**

Subject to Part 4 of the Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017.

| Class of substance | Quantities     |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Not Applicable     | Not Applicable |

Refer Group Standards for further information

#### Maximum quantities of certain hazardous substances permitted on passenger service vehicles

Subject to Regulation 13.14 of the Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017.

| Hazard Class   | Gas (aggregate water capacity in mL) | Liquid (L)     | Solid (kg)     | Maximum quantity per package for each classification |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| Not Applicable | Not Applicable                       | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | Not Applicable                                       |

# **Tracking Requirements**

Not Applicable

# **National Inventory Status**

| National Inventory                                 | Status   |  |
|--|--|--|
| Australia - AIIC / Australia<br>Non-Industrial Use | Yes  |  |
| Canada - DSL                                       | No (ferrous sulfate monohydrate; antigorite)   |  |
| Canada - NDSL                                      | No (ammonium sulfate; calcium sulfate; ferrous sulfate monohydrate; calcium phosphate, monobasic; antigorite; potassium chloride; sodium chloride; water)                                      |  |
| China - IECSC                                      | Yes  |  |
| Europe - EINEC / ELINCS / NLP                      | No (ferrous sulfate monohydrate; antigorite)   |  |
| Japan - ENCS                                       | No (ferrous sulfate monohydrate)   |  |
| Korea - KECI                                       | No (ferrous sulfate monohydrate)   |  |
| New Zealand - NZIoC                                | Yes  |  |
| Philippines - PICCS                                | No (ferrous sulfate monohydrate)   |  |
| USA - TSCA   | No (ferrous sulfate monohydrate; antigorite)   |  |
| Taiwan - TCSI                                      | Yes  |  |
| Mexico - INSQ                                      | No (ferrous sulfate monohydrate; antigorite)   |  |
| Vietnam - NCI                                      | No (antigorite)  |  |
| Russia - FBEPH                                     | No (ferrous sulfate monohydrate; antigorite)   |  |
| Legend:  | Yes = All CAS declared ingredients are on the inventory No = One or more of the CAS listed ingredients are not on the inventory. These ingredients may be exempt or will require registration. |  |

# **SECTION 16 Other information**

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|---------------|------------|
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#### Other information

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.

The 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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**Definitions and abbreviations** 

PC-TWA: Permissible Concentration-Time Weighted Average PC-STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit。

IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health Concentrations

ES: Exposure Standard OSF: Odour Safety Factor

NOAEL :No Observed Adverse Effect Level LOAEL: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level

TLV: Threshold Limit Value LOD: Limit Of Detection OTV: Odour Threshold Value BCF: BioConcentration Factors

BEI: Biological Exposure Index AIIC: Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals

DSL: Domestic Substances List

NDSL: Non-Domestic Substances List

IECSC: Inventory of Existing Chemical Substance in China

EINECS: European INventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances

ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances

NLP: No-Longer Polymers

ENCS: Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory

KECI: Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory NZIoC: New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

PICCS: Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

TSCA: Toxic Substances Control Act

TCSI: Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory INSQ: Inventario Nacional de Sustancias Químicas

NCI: National Chemical Inventory

FBEPH: Russian Register of Potentially Hazardous Chemical and Biological Substances

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