



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY

**Product name:** RHOPLEX™ ECO-3988 Emulsion

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THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY encourages and expects you to read and understand the entire (M)SDS, as there is important information throughout the document. We expect you to follow the precautions identified in this document unless your use conditions would necessitate other appropriate methods or actions.

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## 1. IDENTIFICATION

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**Product name:** RHOPLEX™ ECO-3988 Emulsion

**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use**

**Identified uses:** Coatings product

**COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

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UNITED STATES

**Customer Information Number:**

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**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER**

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**Local Emergency Contact:** 800-424-9300

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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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**Hazard classification**

GHS classification in accordance with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

**Other hazards**

No data available

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## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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**Chemical nature:** Polymers, water based

This product is a mixture.

| Component          | CASRN         | Concentration       |
|--------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Acrylic polymer(s) | Not hazardous | >= 54.0 - <= 57.0 % |
| Aqua ammonia       | 1336-21-6     | <= 0.2 %            |
| Residual monomers  | Not required  | < 0.05 %            |
| Water              | 7732-18-5     | >= 43.0 - <= 46.0 % |

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#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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##### Description of first aid measures

###### General advice:

First Aid responders should pay attention to self-protection and use the recommended protective clothing (chemical resistant gloves, splash protection). If potential for exposure exists refer to Section 8 for specific personal protective equipment.

**Inhalation:** Move person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing; consult a physician.

**Skin contact:** Remove material from skin immediately by washing with soap and plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes while washing. Seek medical attention if irritation or rash occurs. Wash clothing before reuse. Discard items which cannot be decontaminated, including leather articles such as shoes, belts and watchbands.

**Eye contact:** Flush eyes thoroughly with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses after the initial 1-2 minutes and continue flushing for several additional minutes. If effects occur, consult a physician, preferably an ophthalmologist.

**Ingestion:** Rinse mouth with water. No emergency medical treatment necessary.

###### Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed:

Aside from the information found under Description of first aid measures (above) and Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed (below), any additional important symptoms and effects are described in Section 11: Toxicology Information.

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

**Notes to physician:** No specific antidote. Treatment of exposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the patient.

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#### 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

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##### Extinguishing media

**Suitable extinguishing media:** Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire..

**Unsuitable extinguishing media:** None known..

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

**Hazardous combustion products:** Carbon dioxide.. Carbon monoxide..

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Material can splatter above 100C/212F.. Dried product can burn..

#### Advice for firefighters

**Fire Fighting Procedures:** No data available

**Special protective equipment for firefighters:** Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit..

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:** Use personal protective equipment. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Material can create slippery conditions.

**Environmental precautions:** CAUTION: Keep spills and cleaning runoff out of municipal sewers and open bodies of water.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:** Contain spills immediately with inert materials (e.g., sand, earth). Transfer liquids and solid diking material to separate suitable containers for recovery or disposal.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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**Precautions for safe handling:** Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Keep container tightly closed. Do not breathe vapors, mist or gas.

**Conditions for safe storage:** Keep from freezing - product stability may be affected. STIR WELL BEFORE USE.

#### Storage stability

**Storage temperature:** 1 - 49 °C (34 - 120 °F)

Other data: Monomer vapors can be evolved when material is heated during processing operations. See SECTION 8, for types of ventilation required. Due to the crosslinking nature of this material, this product will generate additional formaldehyde upon cure. Lack of adequate ventilation may result in airborne levels of formaldehyde above established exposure limits in the workplace. Monitoring the workplace to determine actual formaldehyde levels is recommended. Formaldehyde will be generated under acidic conditions. Maintain adequate ventilation under these conditions to prevent airborne levels of formaldehyde above established exposure limits in the workplace.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

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#### Control parameters

If exposure limits exist, they are listed below. If no exposure limits are displayed, then no values are applicable.

| Component    | Regulation | Type of listing | Value              |
|--------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Aqua ammonia | Dow IHG    | TWA             | 10 ppm, As Ammonia |

|                                                              |          |      |                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------|------|-----------------|
|                                                              | ACGIH    | TWA  | 25 ppm, Ammonia |
|                                                              | ACGIH    | STEL | 35 ppm, Ammonia |
|                                                              | OSHA Z-1 | TWA  | 35 mg/m3 50 ppm |
| Further information: (b): The value in mg/m3 is approximate. |          |      |                 |

**Exposure controls**

**Engineering controls:** Use local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below exposure limit requirements or guidelines. If there are no applicable exposure limit requirements or guidelines, general ventilation should be sufficient for most operations. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary for some operations.

**Individual protection measures**

**Eye/face protection:** Use safety glasses (with side shields).

**Skin protection**

**Hand protection:** Use gloves chemically resistant to this material. Examples of preferred glove barrier materials include: Nitrile/butadiene rubber ("nitrile" or "NBR"). Polyvinyl chloride ("PVC" or "vinyl"). Neoprene. Avoid gloves made of: Polyvinyl alcohol ("PVA"). NOTICE: The selection of a specific glove for a particular application and duration of use in a workplace should also take into account all relevant workplace factors such as, but not limited to: Other chemicals which may be handled, physical requirements (cut/puncture protection, dexterity, thermal protection), potential body reactions to glove materials, as well as the instructions/specifications provided by the glove supplier.

**Other protection:** Use protective clothing chemically resistant to this material. Selection of specific items such as face shield, boots, apron, or full body suit will depend on the task.

**Respiratory protection:** Respiratory protection should be worn when there is a potential to exceed the exposure limit requirements or guidelines. If there are no applicable exposure limit requirements or guidelines, wear respiratory protection when adverse effects, such as respiratory irritation or discomfort have been experienced, or where indicated by your risk assessment process. For most conditions no respiratory protection should be needed; however, if discomfort is experienced, use an approved air-purifying respirator. The following should be effective types of air-purifying respirators: Organic vapor cartridge with a particulate pre-filter.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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**Appearance****Physical state**

liquid Milky

**Color**

white opaque

**Odor**

acrylic-like

**Odor Threshold**

No data available

**pH**

6.0 - 9.5

**Melting point/ range**

0 °C ( 32 °F) Water

**Freezing point**

No data available

**Boiling point (760 mmHg)**

100 °C ( 212 °F) Water

**Flash point**

Noncombustible

|                                        |                                |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1)   | <1 Water                       |
| Flammability (solid, gas)              | Not Applicable                 |
| Lower explosion limit                  | Not applicable                 |
| Upper explosion limit                  | Not applicable                 |
| Vapor Pressure                         | 17 mmHg at 20 °C (68 °F) Water |
| Relative Vapor Density (air = 1)       | <1 Water                       |
| Relative Density (water = 1)           | No data available              |
| Water solubility                       | insoluble                      |
| Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water | No data available              |
| Auto-ignition temperature              | Not applicable                 |
| Decomposition temperature              | No data available              |
| Dynamic Viscosity                      | <=150 cP                       |
| Kinematic Viscosity                    | No data available              |
| Explosive properties                   | No data available              |
| Oxidizing properties                   | No data available              |
| Molecular weight                       | No data available              |
| Percent volatility                     | 43.0 - 47.0 %                  |

NOTE: The physical data presented above are typical values and should not be construed as a specification.

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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**Reactivity:** None reasonably foreseeable.

**Chemical stability:** Stable

**Possibility of hazardous reactions:** Product will not undergo polymerization.

**Conditions to avoid:** No data available

**Incompatible materials:** There are no known materials which are incompatible with this product.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Thermal decomposition may yield acrylic monomers..

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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*Toxicological information appears in this section when such data are available.*

### Information on likely routes of exposure

Ingestion, Inhalation, Skin contact, Eye contact.

**Acute toxicity (represents short term exposures with immediate effects - no chronic/delayed effects known unless otherwise noted)**

**Acute Toxicity Endpoints:**

Not classified based on available information.

**Acute oral toxicity**

**Information for the Product:**

Very low toxicity if swallowed. Harmful effects not anticipated from swallowing small amounts.

As product: Single dose oral LD50 has not been determined.

For similar material(s):

LD50, Rat, male, > 5,000 mg/kg

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

Single dose oral LD50 has not been determined.

**Aqua ammonia**

Single dose oral LD50 has not been determined.

**Residual monomers**

Single dose oral LD50 has not been determined.

**Acute dermal toxicity**

**Information for the Product:**

Prolonged skin contact is unlikely to result in absorption of harmful amounts.

As product: The dermal LD50 has not been determined.

For similar material(s):

LD50, Rabbit, > 2,000 mg/kg

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

The dermal LD50 has not been determined.

**Aqua ammonia**

The dermal LD50 has not been determined.

**Residual monomers**

The dermal LD50 has not been determined.

**Acute inhalation toxicity**

**Information for the Product:**

With good ventilation, single exposure is not likely to be hazardous. In poorly ventilated areas, vapors or mists may accumulate and cause respiratory irritation.

As product: The LC50 has not been determined.

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

The LC50 has not been determined.

**Aqua ammonia**

The LC50 has not been determined.

**Residual monomers**

The LC50 has not been determined.

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

Not classified based on available information.

**Information for the Product:**

Based on testing for product(s) in this family of materials:  
Prolonged contact may cause slight skin irritation with local redness.

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

Essentially nonirritating to skin.

**Aqua ammonia**

Brief contact may cause skin burns. Symptoms may include pain, severe local redness and tissue damage.

Classified as corrosive to the skin according to DOT guidelines.

**Residual monomers**

Essentially nonirritating to skin.

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Not classified based on available information.

**Information for the Product:**

Based on testing for product(s) in this family of materials:  
May cause slight temporary eye irritation.  
Corneal injury is unlikely.

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

Essentially nonirritating to eyes.

**Aqua ammonia**

May cause severe irritation with corneal injury which may result in permanent impairment of vision, even blindness. Chemical burns may occur.

**Residual monomers**

Essentially nonirritating to eyes.

**Sensitization**

**For skin sensitization:**

Not classified based on available information.

**For respiratory sensitization:**

Not classified based on available information.

**Information for the Product:**

For skin sensitization:

No relevant data found.

For respiratory sensitization:

No relevant data found.

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

For skin sensitization:

No relevant data found.

For respiratory sensitization:

No relevant data found.

**Aqua ammonia**

For skin sensitization:

No relevant data found.

For respiratory sensitization:

No relevant data found.

**Residual monomers**

For skin sensitization:

No relevant data found.

For respiratory sensitization:

No relevant data found.

**Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (Single Exposure)**

Not classified based on available information.

**Information for the Product:**

Product test data not available.

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**



Available data are inadequate to determine single exposure specific target organ toxicity.

**Aqua ammonia**

May cause respiratory irritation.

Route of Exposure: Inhalation

Target Organs: Respiratory Tract

**Residual monomers**

Available data are inadequate to determine single exposure specific target organ toxicity.

**Aspiration Hazard**

Not classified based on available information.

**Information for the Product:**

Based on physical properties, not likely to be an aspiration hazard.

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

Based on physical properties, not likely to be an aspiration hazard.

**Aqua ammonia**

Aspiration into the respiratory system may occur during ingestion or vomiting. Due to corrosivity, tissue damage or lung injury may occur.

**Residual monomers**

Based on available information, aspiration hazard could not be determined.

**Chronic toxicity (represents longer term exposures with repeated dose resulting in chronic/delayed effects - no immediate effects known unless otherwise noted)**

**Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (Repeated Exposure)**

Not classified based on available information.

**Information for the Product:**

Product test data not available.

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

No relevant data found.

**Aqua ammonia**

No relevant data found.

**Residual monomers**

No relevant data found.

**Carcinogenicity**

Not classified based on available information.

**Information for the Product:**

Product test data not available.

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

No relevant data found.

**Aqua ammonia**

Did not cause cancer in laboratory animals.

**Residual monomers**

No relevant data found.

**Teratogenicity**

Not classified based on available information.

**Information for the Product:**

Product test data not available.

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

No relevant data found.

**Aqua ammonia**

No relevant data found.

**Residual monomers**

No relevant data found.

**Reproductive toxicity**

Not classified based on available information.

**Information for the Product:**

Product test data not available.

**Information for components:**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

No relevant data found.

**Aqua ammonia**

No relevant data found.

**Residual monomers**

No relevant data found.

**Mutagenicity**

Not classified based on available information.

**Information for the Product:**

Product test data not available.

**Information for components:****Acrylic polymer(s)**

No relevant data found.

**Aqua ammonia**

In vitro genetic toxicity studies were negative. Animal genetic toxicity studies were negative.

**Residual monomers**

No relevant data found.

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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*Ecotoxicological information appears in this section when such data are available.*

**Toxicity****Acrylic polymer(s)****Acute toxicity to fish**

No relevant data found.

**Aqua ammonia****Acute toxicity to fish**

Material is highly toxic to aquatic organisms on an acute basis (LC50/EC50 between 0.1 and 1 mg/L in the most sensitive species tested).

May increase pH of aquatic systems to > pH 10 which may be toxic to aquatic organisms.

LC50, Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill sunfish), 96 Hour, 0.87 mg/l

LC50, Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow), 96 Hour, 1.2 mg/l

**Acute toxicity to aquatic invertebrates**

EC50, Daphnia magna (Water flea), 48 Hour, 0.66 mg/l

**Residual monomers****Acute toxicity to fish**

No relevant data found.

**Persistence and degradability****Acrylic polymer(s)**

Biodegradability: No relevant data found.

**Aqua ammonia**

**Biodegradability:** Biodegradation may occur under aerobic conditions (in the presence of oxygen). Biodegradation rate may increase in soil and/or water with acclimation.

**Theoretical Oxygen Demand:** 0.76 mg/mg

**Residual monomers**

**Biodegradability:** No relevant data found.

**Bioaccumulative potential**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

**Bioaccumulation:** No relevant data found.

**Aqua ammonia**

**Bioaccumulation:** No bioconcentration is expected because of the relatively high water solubility.

**Residual monomers**

**Bioaccumulation:** No relevant data found.

**Mobility in soil**

**Acrylic polymer(s)**

No relevant data found.

**Aqua ammonia**

Potential for mobility in soil is very high (Koc between 0 and 50).

**Residual monomers**

No relevant data found.

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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**Disposal methods:** Coagulate the emulsion by the stepwise addition of ferric chloride and lime. Remove the clear supernatant and flush to a chemical sewer. For disposal, incinerate or landfill at a permitted facility in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

**Contaminated packaging:** Empty containers may retain product residues and should be disposed of by an approved waste management facility. Label warnings should be followed even after container is emptied. Improper disposal or reuse of this container may be dangerous and illegal. Consult with the respective regulating authorities to determine the available treatment and disposal facilities. All disposal practices must be in compliance with Federal, State/Provincial and local regulations.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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**DOT**

Not regulated for transport

**Classification for SEA transport (IMO-IMDG):**

**Transport in bulk  
according to Annex I or II  
of MARPOL 73/78 and the  
IBC or IGC Code**

Not regulated for transport  
Consult IMO regulations before transporting ocean bulk

**Classification for AIR transport (IATA/ICAO):**

Not regulated for transport

This information is not intended to convey all specific regulatory or operational requirements/information relating to this product. Transportation classifications may vary by container volume and may be influenced by regional or country variations in regulations. Additional transportation system information can be obtained through an authorized sales or customer service representative. It is the responsibility of the transporting organization to follow all applicable laws, regulations and rules relating to the transportation of the material.

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## **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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**Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 Title III (Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986) Sections 311 and 312**

No SARA Hazards

**Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 Title III (Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986) Section 313**

This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**Pennsylvania**

Any material listed as "Not Hazardous" in the CAS REG NO. column of SECTION 2, Composition/Information On Ingredients, of this MSDS is a trade secret under the provisions of the Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act.

**California Prop. 65**

WARNING: This product can expose you to chemicals including Acrylonitrile, Methyllolacrylamide, which is/are known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information go to [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

**United States TSCA Inventory (TSCA)**

All components of this product are in compliance with the inventory listing requirements of the U.S. Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Chemical Substance Inventory.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

### Hazard Rating System

#### HMIS

| Health | Flammability | Physical Hazard |
|--------|--------------|-----------------|
| 1      | 0            | 0               |

### Revision

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In case this version of the SDS contains significant changes from the previous version, they are listed below or noted by bold, double bars in the left-hand margin throughout this document.

Changes encompass identification, hazards, tox/eco-tox information and the addition/removal of the ingredients, and regulatory information, hazard information, uses, risk management measures and other key regulatory changes of the product. Detailed explanation of the changes can be obtained upon request.

### Legend

|          |                                                                                  |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ACGIH    | USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)                                          |
| Dow IHG  | Dow Industrial Hygiene Guideline                                                 |
| OSHA Z-1 | USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants |
| STEL     | Short-term exposure limit                                                        |
| TWA      | Time weighted average                                                            |

### Full text of other abbreviations

AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DOT - Department of Transportation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; EHS - Extremely Hazardous Substance; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; ERG - Emergency Response Guide; GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; HMIS - Hazardous Materials Identification System; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; MSHA - Mine Safety and Health Administration; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NFPA - National Fire Protection Association; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of

Chemicals; RQ - Reportable Quantity; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

**Information Source and References**

This SDS is prepared by Product Regulatory Services and Hazard Communications Groups from information supplied by internal references within our company.

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