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MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Potassium Hydroxide Solution 8 N

Catalog Number: 28249

Hach Company P.O.Box 389 Loveland, CO USA 80539 (970) 669-3050

MSDS Number: M00216 Chemical Name: Not Applicable CAS No.: Not Applicable

Chemical Formula: Not Applicable Chemical Family: Not applicable Hazard: Causes severe burns. Date of MSDS Preparation:

Day: 02 Month: August Year: 2012 Emergency Telephone Numbers: (Medical and Transportation)

(303) 623-5716 24 Hour Service (515)232-2533 8am - 4pm CST

MSDS No: M00216

2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Demineralized Water

CAS No.: 7732-18-5

TSCA CAS Number: 7732-18-5 **Percent Range:** 50.0 - 60.0

Percent Range Units: volume / volume

LD50: None reported LC50: None reported TLV: Not established PEL: Not established

Hazard: No effects anticipated.

Potassium Hydroxide

CAS No.: 1310-58-3

TSCA CAS Number: 1310-58-3 **Percent Range:** 40.0 - 50.0

Percent Range Units: weight / volume **LD50:** Oral rat LD50 = 273 mg/kg

LC50: None reported *TLV:* 2 mg/m³ Ceiling *PEL:* 2 mg/m³ Ceiling

Hazard: Toxic. Causes severe burns.

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview:

Appearance: Clear, colorless liquid

Odor: Irritating

CAUSES SEVERE BURNS

HMIS:

Health: 3
Flammability: 0
Reactivity: 1

Protective Equipment: X - See protective equipment, Section 8.

NFPA:

Health: 3 Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 1

Symbol: Not applicable Potential Health Effects:

Eye Contact: Causes severe burnsSkin Contact: Causes severe burnsSkin Absorption: None reportedTarget Organs: None reported

Ingestion: Causes: severe burns abdominal pain vomiting Can cause: death

Target Organs: None reported

Inhalation: Causes: severe burns sneezing coughing discomfort bronchospasms Can cause: death

Target Organs: None reported

Medical Conditions Aggravated: Pre-existing: Eye conditions Skin conditions Respiratory conditions

Chronic Effects: None reported

Cancer / Reproductive Toxicity Information:

This product does NOT contain any OSHA listed carcinogens. This product does NOT contain any IARC listed chemicals.

This product does NOT contain any NTP listed chemicals.

Additional Cancer / Reproductive Toxicity Information: None reported

Toxicologically Synergistic Products: None reported

4. FIRST AID

Eye Contact: Immediately flush eyes with water for 15 minutes. Call physician.

Skin Contact (First Aid): Wash skin with plenty of water for 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing. Call physician

immediately.

Ingestion (First Aid): Do not induce vomiting. Give 1-2 glasses of water. Call physician immediately. Never give

anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if necessary. Call physician.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable Properties: Material will not burn.

Flash Point: Not applicable Method: Not applicable Flammability Limits:

Lower Explosion Limits: Not applicable Upper Explosion Limits: Not applicable Autoignition Temperature: Not applicable

Hazardous Combustion Products: This material will not burn.

Fire / Explosion Hazards: Contact with metals gives off hydrogen gas which is flammable

Static Discharge: None reported.

Mechanical Impact: None reported

Extinguishing Media: Water.

Fire Fighting Instruction: As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand and full protective

gear.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Spill Response Notice:

Only persons properly qualified to respond to an emergency involving hazardous substances may respond to a spill according to federal regulations (OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120(a)(v)) and per your company's emergency response plan and guidelines/procedures. See Section 13, Special Instructions for disposal assistance. Outside of the US, only persons properly qualified according to state or local regulations should respond to a spill involving chemicals.

Containment Technique: Absorb spilled liquid with non-reactive sorbent material. Stop spilled material from being released to the environment.

Clean-up Technique: Cover spilled material with a dry acid, such as citric or boric. Scoop up slurry into a large beaker. Dilute with a large excess of water. Adjust to a pH between 6 and 9 with an acid, such as sulfuric or citric. Flush reacted material to the drain with a large excess of water. Decontaminate the area of the spill with a weak acid solution.

Evacuation Procedure: Evacuate local area (15 foot radius or as directed by your facility's emergency response plan) when: any quantity is spilled. If conditions warrant, increase the size of the evacuation.

Special Instructions (for accidental release): Product is regulated as RCRA hazardous waste in the U.S. Mixture contains a component which is regulated as a water pollutant in the U.S..

304 EHS RQ (40 CFR 355): Not applicable D.O.T. Emergency Response Guide Number: 154

7. HANDLING / STORAGE

Handling: Avoid contact with eyes skin clothing Do not breathe mist or vapors. Wash thoroughly after handling. Maintain general industrial hygiene practices when using this product.

Storage: Store away from: acids metals organic peroxides combustible materials Protect from: heat freezing Flammability Class: Not applicable

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Engineering Controls: Use a fume hood to avoid exposure to dust, mist or vapor. Maintain general industrial hygiene practices when using this product.

Personal Protective Equipment:

Eye Protection: safety glasses with top and side shields

Skin Protection: disposable latex gloves In the EU, the selected gloves must satisfy the specifications of EU Directive

89/686/EEC and standard EN 374 derived from it. lab coat

Inhalation Protection: laboratory fume hood

Precautionary Measures: Avoid contact with: eyes skin clothing Do not breathe: mist/vapor Wash thoroughly after

handling. Protect from: heat freezing

TLV: Not established PEL: Not established

9. PHYSICAL / CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance: Clear, colorless liquid

Physical State: Liquid

Molecular Weight: Not applicable

Odor: Irritating

pH: 14

Vapor Pressure: 450.5 mm Hg @ 100 °C Vapor Density (air = 1): Not determined Boiling Point: >100 °C >212 °F Melting Point: Not determined

Specific Gravity/Relative Density (water = 1; air =1): 1.3

Evaporation Rate (water = 1): 0.18

Volatile Organic Compounds Content: Not applicable Partition Coefficient (n-octanol / water): Not applicable

Solubility:

Water: Soluble
Acid: Soluble
Other: Not determined
Metal Corrosivity:

Steel: Not determined Aluminum: 21.311 in/yr

10. STABILITY / REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability: Stable when stored under proper conditions.

Conditions to Avoid: Extreme temperatures

Reactivity / Incompatibility: May react violently in contact with: acids metals organic peroxides combustible materials

Hazardous Decomposition: Contact with metals may release flammable hydrogen gas.

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Product Toxicological Data: LD50: None reported LC50: None reported

Dermal Toxicity Data: None reported Skin and Eye Irritation Data: None reported

Mutation Data: None reported

Reproductive Effects Data: None reported

Ingredient Toxicological Data: Potassium Hydroxide Oral Rat LD50 = 365mg/kg

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Product Ecological Information: --

No ecological data available for this product. Mobility in soil: No data available

Ingredient Ecological Information: --

No ecological data available for the ingredients of this product.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

EPA Waste ID Number: D002

Special Instructions (Disposal): Dilute material with excess water making a weaker than 5% solution. Adjust to a pH between 6 and 9 with an acid, such as sulfuric or citric. Open cold water tap completely, slowly pour the reacted material to the drain. Flush system with plenty of water.

Empty Containers: Dispose of empty container as normal trash. Rinse three times with an appropriate solvent.

NOTICE (*Disposal*): These disposal guidelines are based on federal regulations and may be superseded by more stringent state or local requirements. Please consult your local environmental regulators for more information.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

D.O.T.:

D.O.T. Proper Shipping Name: Potassium Hydroxide, Solution

DOT Hazard Class: 8 DOT Subsidiary Risk: NA DOT ID Number: UN1814 DOT Packing Group: II

.C.A.O.:

I.C.A.O. Proper Shipping Name: Potassium Hydroxide Solution

ICAO Hazard Class: 8 ICAO Subsidiary Risk: NA ICAO ID Number: UN1814 ICAO Packing Group: II

I.M.O.:

I.M.O. Proper Shipping Name: Potassium Hydroxide Solution

I.M.O. Hazard Class: 8 I.M.O. Subsidiary Risk: NA I.M.O. ID Number: UN1814 I.M.O. Packing Group: II

Additional Information: There is a possibility that this product could be contained in a reagent set or kit composed of various compatible dangerous goods. If the item is NOT in a set or kit, the classification given above applies. If the item IS part of a set or kit, the classification would change to the following: UN3316 Chemical Kit, Class 9, PG II or III. If the item is not regulated, the Chemical Kit classification does not apply.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

U.S. Federal Regulations:

O.S.H.A.: This product meets the criteria for a hazardous substance as defined in the Hazard Communication Standard. (29 CFR 1910.1200)

E.P.A.:

S.A.R.A. Title III Section 311/312 Categorization (40 CFR 370): Immediate (Acute) Health Hazard S.A.R.A. Title III Section 313 (40 CFR 372): This product does NOT contain any chemical subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of Title III of SARA.

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302 (EHS) TPQ (40 CFR 355): Not applicable

304 CERCLA RQ (40 CFR 302.4): Potassium hydroxide 1000 lbs.

304 EHS RO (40 CFR 355): Not applicable

Clean Water Act (40 CFR 116.4): Potassium hydroxide - RO 1000 lbs.

RCRA: Contains RCRA regulated substances. See Section 13, EPA Waste ID Number.

C.P.S.C.: The label for this product bears the signal word "POISON" because the concentration of Potassium Hydroxide in the product is greater than/equal to 10%.

State Regulations:

California Prop. 65: No Prop. 65 listed chemicals are present in this product.

Identification of Prop. 65 Ingredient(s): Not applicable

California Perchlorate Rule CCR Title 22 Chap 33: Not applicable

Trade Secret Registry: Not applicable

National Inventories:

U.S. Inventory Status: All ingredients in this product are listed on the TSCA 8(b) Inventory (40 CFR 710).

TSCA CAS Number: Not applicable

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Intended Use: Calcium determination Hardness determination Buffer Laboratory Reagent

References: Sax, N. Irving. Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials, 7th Ed. New York: Van Nostrand Reinhold Co., 1989. Gosselin, R. E. et al. Clinical Toxicology of Commercial Products, 5th Ed. Baltimore: The Williams and Wilkins Co., 1984. Technical Judgment. In-house information. Air Contaminants, Federal Register, Vol. 54, No. 12. Thursday, January 19, 1989. pp. 2332-2983. TLV's Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure Indices for 1992-1993. American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, 1992.

Revision Summary: Substantial revision to comply with EU Reg 1272/2008, Reg 1907/2006 and UN GHS (ST/SG/AC.10/36/Add.3).

Legend:

NA - Not Applicable w/w - weight/weight
ND - Not Determined w/v - weight/volume
NV - Not Available v/v - volume/volume

USER RESPONSIBILITY: Each user should read and understand this information and incorporate it in individual site safety programs in accordance with applicable hazard communication standards and regulations.

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