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-1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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PX1390 PX1391 PX1392

CHEMICAL NAME ....: POTASSIUM CARBONATE, ANHYDROUS

TRADE NAME..... POTASH, PEARL ASH

CHEMICAL FAMILY ..: IN ORGANIC SALT

FOR MULA .... : K2 CO3

MOLECULAR WEIGHT .: 138.21

2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

COMPONENT

APPR %

POTASSIUM CARBONATE, ANHYDROUS

584-08-7

100%

-3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW CAUSES EYE BURNS. CAUSES SKIN IRRITATION. HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED. APPEARANCE....:

WHITE, ODORLESS

GRANULES OR POWDER

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS (ACUTE AND CHRONIC)

SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE: HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED.

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COMMENTS: NONE

NFPA HAZARD RATINGS:

HEALTH FLAMMABILITY REACTIVITY

SPECIAL HAZARDS:

REVISION HISTORY: 09/01/81 10/27/87 03/01/91

- = REVISED SECTION N/A = NOT AVAILABLE N/E = NONE ESTABLISHED

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CAUSES EYE BURNS.

CAUSES SKIN IRRITATION.

DUST INHALATION: IRRITATING TO NASAL AND UPPER RESPIRATORY PASSAGES.

MEDICAL COND. AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE:

DATA NOT AVAILABLE.

ROUTES OF ENTRY .....:

INHALATION. INGESTION

CARCINOGENICITY .....:

THE MATERIAL IS NOT LISTED (IARC, NTP, OSHA) AS CANCER CAUSING AGENT .

# -4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### EMERGENCY FIRST AID:

GET MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR ALL CASES OF OVEREXPOSURE.

SKIN: WASH THOROUGHLY WITH SOAP AND WATER.

EYES: IMMEDIATELY FLUSH THOROUGHLY WITH WATER FOR AT LEAST 15

MINUTES.

INHALATION: REMOVE TO FRESH AIR; GIVE ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION IF

BREATHING HAS STOPPED.

INGESTION: DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING; IF CONSCIOUS, GIVE WATER

FREELY AND GET MEDICAL ATTENTION.

REMOVE CONTAMINATED CLOTHING AND WASH BEFORE REUSE.

#### -5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

FLASH POINT (F) ..... NONCOMBUSTIBLE

FLAMMABLE LIMITS LEL (%) .: N/A

FLAMMABLE LIMITS UEL (%) .: N/A

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA ....:

USE ANY SUITABLE FOR ADJACENT MATERIAL.

FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES .:

WEAR SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING.

FIRE & EXPLOSION HAZARDS .:

NONE

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### SPILL RESPONSE:

EVACUATE THE AREA OF ALL UNNECESSARY PERSONNEL.

WEAR SUITABLE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT LISTED UNDER EXPOSURE / PERSONAL PROTECTION .

ELIMINATE ANY IGNITION SOURCES UNTIL THE AREA IS DETERMINED TO BE

FREE FROM EXPLOSION OR FIRE HAZARDS.

CONTAIN THE RELEASE AND ELIMINATE ITS SOURCE, IF THIS CAN BE DONE MSDS (CONTINUED) - PX1390

WITHOUT RISK. TAKE UP AND CONTAINERIZE FOR PROPER DISPOSAL AS DESCRIBED UNDER DISPOSAL. COMPLY WITH FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL REGULATIONS ON REPORTING RELEASES. REFER TO REGULATORY INFORMATION FOR REPORTABLE QUANTITY AND OTHER REGULATORY DATA.

-7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

HANDLING & STORAGE: KEEP CONTAINER TIGHTLY CLOSED. DO NOT BREATHE DUST. DO NOT GET IN EYES, ON SKIN, OR ON CLOTHING.

-8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

ENGINEERING CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

VENTILATION, RESPIRATORY PROTECTION, PROTECTIVE CLOTHING, EYE PROTECTION MATERIAL SHOULD BE HANDLED OR TRANSFERRED IN AN APPROVED FUME HOOD OR WITH ADEQUATE VENTILATION. PROTECTIVE GLOVES SHOULD BE WORN TO PREVENT SKIN CONTACT (NEOPRENE OR EQUIVALENT) SAFETY GLASSES WITH SIDE SHIELDS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES.

WORK / HYGENIC PRACTICES: WASH THOROUGHLY AFTER HANDLING. DO NOT TAKE INTERNALLY.

EYE WASH AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE READILY AVAILABLE.

EXPOSURE GUIDELINES

OSHA - PEL:

STEL CL TWA MG/M3 PPM MG/M3 PPM MG/M3 SKIN PPM COMPONENT

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NONE CITED IN REGISTRY OF TOXIC EFFECTS OF SUBSTANCES (RTECS)

12. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

EPA WASTE NUMBERS:

TREATMENT:

MATERIAL DOES NOT HAVE AN EPA WASTE NUMBER AND IS NOT A LISTED WASTE, HOWEVER CONSULTATION WITH A PERMITTED WASTE DISPOSAL SITE (TSD) SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED.

ALWAYS CONTACT A PERMITTED WASTE DISPOSER (TSD) TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH ALL CURRENT LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS.

13. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT PROPER SHIPPING NAME ...:

NON-REGULATED

DOT ID NUMBER ..... NONE

14. REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA INVENTORY ....:

THE CAS NUMBER OF THIS PRODUCT IS LISTED ON THE TSCA INVENTORY.

SARA CERCLA SARA COMPONENT EHS EHS TPQ RQ (LBS) (302) (LBS)

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FOR SARA 313 OSHA SARA COMPONENT FLOOR LIST 313 (%)

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15. OTHER INFORMATION

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ACGIH - TLV:

TWA

STEL

MG/M3 PPM

COMPONENT

PPM

MG/M3 PPM

MG/M3 SKIN

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9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

BOILING POINT (C 760 MMHG).: DECOMPOSES

MELTING POINT (C) ....: 891C

SPECIFIC GRAVITY (H20 = 1) .: 2.29

VAPOR PRESSURE (MM HG) ....: N/A 20C

PERCENT VOLATILE BY VOL (%): N/A

VAPOR DENSITY (AIR = 1) ....: N/A

EVAPORATION RATE (BUAC = 1): N/A

SOLUBILITY IN WATER (%) .... : SOLUBLE

APPEARANCE ....:

WHITE, ODORLESS

GRANULES OR POWDER

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

STABILITY .... YES

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:

DOES NOT OCCUR

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION .:

COX

CONDITIONS TO AVOID ....:

MOISTURE, DUSTING, HEAT

MATERIALS TO AVOID ....:

( ) WATER

(X) ACIDS

( ) BASES

( ) CORROSIVES

( )OXIDIZERS

( )OTHER :

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

TOXICITY DATA:

ORL-RAT LD50: 1870 MG/KG

TOXICOLOGICAL FINDINGS:

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