

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

POLAR CRYOGENICS

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Portland, OR 97202

Information: 1-800-426-0689

Emergency Contact:

CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300

Calls Originating Outside the US:

703-527-3887 (Collect Calls Accepted)

SUBSTANCE: ACETYLENE

TRADE NAMES/SYNONYMS:

MTG MSDS 1; ACETYLENE; ETHYNE; WELDING GAS; ACETYLEN; ETHINE; NARCYLEN;
VINYLENE; UN 1001; C2H2; 00232566; RTECS AO9600000

CHEMICAL FAMILY: hydrocarbons, aliphatic

CREATION DATE: May 22 2007

REVISION DATE: Sep 13 2007

2. COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

COMPONENT: ACETYLENE

CAS NUMBER: 74-86-2

PERCENTAGE: 100

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

NFPA RATINGS (SCALE 0-4): HEALTH=1 FIRE=4 REACTIVITY=3



EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:

COLOR: colorless

PHYSICAL FORM: gas

ODOR: sweet odor

MAJOR HEALTH HAZARDS: central nervous system depression, difficulty breathing

PHYSICAL HAZARDS: May explode when heated. Flammable gas. May cause flash fire. Electrostatic charges may be generated by flow, agitation, etc. May polymerize. Containers may rupture or explode.

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

INHALATION:

SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: nausea, vomiting, chest pain, wheezing, headache, drowsiness, dizziness,

loss of coordination, bluish skin color, suffocation, lung congestion, coma

LONG TERM EXPOSURE: no information on significant adverse effects

SKIN CONTACT:

SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: rash

LONG TERM EXPOSURE: no information is available

EYE CONTACT:

SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: no information on significant adverse effects

LONG TERM EXPOSURE: no information is available

INGESTION:

SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: ingestion of a gas is unlikely

LONG TERM EXPOSURE: ingestion of a gas is unlikely

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

INHALATION: If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Get immediate medical attention.

SKIN CONTACT: Wash exposed skin with soap and water.

EYE CONTACT: Flush eyes with plenty of water.

INGESTION: If a large amount is swallowed, get medical attention.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN: For inhalation, consider oxygen.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS: Severe explosion hazard. Vapor/air mixtures are explosive. Electrostatic discharges may be generated by flow or agitation resulting in ignition or explosion.

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: carbon dioxide, regular dry chemical

Large fires: Use regular foam or flood with fine water spray.

FIRE FIGHTING: Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk. For fires in cargo or storage area: Cool containers with water from unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles until well after fire is out. If this is impossible then take the following precautions: Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Let the fire burn. Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety device or any discoloration of tanks due to fire. For tank, rail car or tank truck: Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Let burn unless leak can be stopped immediately. For smaller tanks or cylinders, extinguish and isolate from other flammables. Evacuation radius: 800 meters (1/2 mile). Do not attempt to extinguish fire unless flow of material can be stopped first. Flood with fine water spray. Cool containers with water spray until well after the fire is out. Apply water from a protected location or from a safe distance. Avoid

inhalation of material or combustion by-products. Stay upwind and keep out of low areas. Evacuate if fire gets out of control or containers are directly exposed to fire. Evacuation radius: 500 meters (1/3 mile). Consider downwind evacuation if material is leaking. Stop flow of gas.

LOWER FLAMMABLE LIMIT: 2.5%

UPPER FLAMMABLE LIMIT: 100%

AUTOIGNITION: 581 F (305 C)

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

OCCUPATIONAL RELEASE:

Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Reduce vapors with water spray. Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Remove sources of ignition. Ventilate closed spaces before entering.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

STORAGE: Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Protect from physical damage. Store outside or in a detached building. Keep separated from incompatible substances. Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a well-ventilated area. Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Grounding and bonding required. Secure to prevent tipping. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101. Keep separated from incompatible substances.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE LIMITS:

ACETYLENE:

ACGIH (simple asphyxiant)

2500 ppm (2662 mg/m³) NIOSH recommended ceiling

VENTILATION: Ventilation equipment should be explosion-resistant if explosive concentrations of material are present. Provide local exhaust ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

EYE PROTECTION: Eye protection not required, but recommended.

CLOTHING: Protective clothing is not required.

GLOVES: Protective gloves are not required, but recommended.

RESPIRATOR: Under conditions of frequent use or heavy exposure, respiratory protection may be needed. Respiratory protection is ranked in order from minimum to maximum. Consider warning properties before use.

For Unknown Concentrations or Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health -

Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece that is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode in combination with an auxiliary self-contained breathing apparatus operated in pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL STATE: gas

COLOR: colorless

ODOR: sweet odor

MOLECULAR WEIGHT: 26.04

MOLECULAR FORMULA: H-C-C-H

BOILING POINT: Not available

FREEZING POINT: Not available

SUBLIMATION POINT: -119 F (-84 C)

VAPOR PRESSURE: 760 mmHg @ -84 C

VAPOR DENSITY (air=1): 0.90

SPECIFIC GRAVITY: Not applicable

DENSITY: 1.1747 g/L @ 0 C

WATER SOLUBILITY: 0.94% @ 25 C

PH: Not applicable

VOLATILITY: Not applicable

ODOR THRESHOLD: Not available

EVAPORATION RATE: Not applicable

VISCOSITY: 0.010 cP @ 20 C

COEFFICIENT OF WATER/OIL DISTRIBUTION: Not applicable

SOLVENT SOLUBILITY:

Soluble: acetone, benzene, chloroform, ether

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

REACTIVITY: May decompose violently on heating. May explode when heated.

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Containers may rupture or explode if exposed to heat.

INCOMPATIBILITIES: metals, halogens, oxidizing materials, metal carbide, reducing agents, halo carbons

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION:

Thermal decomposition products: oxides of carbon

POLYMERIZATION: Polymerizes with evolution of heat. Avoid contact with curing agents, accelerators, and/or initiators.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ACETYLENE:

TARGET ORGANS: central nervous system

ADDITIONAL DATA: Stimulants such as epinephrine may induce ventricular fibrillation.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

FATE AND TRANSPORT:

KOW: 2691.53 (log = 3.44) (estimated from water solubility)

KOC: 4508.17 (log = 3.66) (estimated from water solubility)

HENRY'S LAW CONSTANT: 2.8 E -3 atm-m³/mol

BIOCONCENTRATION: 3.48 (estimated from water solubility)

AQUATIC PROCESSES: 1.3269231 hours (River Model: 1 m deep, 1 m/s flow, 3 m/s wind)

ENVIRONMENTAL SUMMARY: Relatively non-persistent in the environment. Not expected to leach through the soil or the sediment. Accumulates very little in the bodies of living organisms. Highly volatile from water.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001. D003.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101:

PROPER SHIPPING NAME: Acetylene, dissolved

ID NUMBER: UN1001

HAZARD CLASS OR DIVISION: 2.1

LABELING REQUIREMENTS: 2.1

QUANTITY LIMITATIONS:

PASSENGER AIRCRAFT OR RAILCAR: Forbidden

CARGO AIRCRAFT ONLY: 15 kg



CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS:

SHIPPING NAME: Acetylene, dissolved

UN NUMBER: UN1001

CLASS: 2.1

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

U.S. REGULATIONS:

CERCLA SECTIONS 102a/103 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 302.4): Not regulated.

SARA TITLE III SECTION 302 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355.30): Not regulated.

SARA TITLE III SECTION 304 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355.40): Not regulated.

SARA TITLE III SARA SECTIONS 311/312 HAZARDOUS CATEGORIES (40 CFR 370.21):

ACUTE: Yes

CHRONIC: No

FIRE: Yes

REACTIVE: Yes

SUDDEN RELEASE: Yes

SARA TITLE III SECTION 313 (40 CFR 372.65): Not regulated.

OSHA PROCESS SAFETY (29CFR1910.119): Not regulated.

STATE REGULATIONS:

California Proposition 65: Not regulated.

CANADIAN REGULATIONS:

WHMIS CLASSIFICATION: ABF

NATIONAL INVENTORY STATUS:

U.S. INVENTORY (TSCA): Listed on inventory.

TSCA 12(b) EXPORT NOTIFICATION: Not listed.

CANADA INVENTORY (DSL/NDSL): Not determined.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

MSDS SUMMARY OF CHANGES

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

