

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# 1670

Product Name 9 COMPONENT MIXTURE (C2H6, C2H4, HE, CO, H2, O2, CH4, CO2,

**BALANCE N2)** 

# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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Synonym(s) 1670 - SDS NUMBER • PRODUCT CODES: 285, 288 • SPECIAL GAS MIXTURE

Use(s) CALIBRATION • INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS

**SDS Date** 19 Apr 2010

# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

# NOT CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO ASCC CRITERIA

# CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE

UN No. 1956 DG Class 2.2 Subsidiary Risk(s) None Allocated

Packing Group None Allocated Hazchem Code 2TE EPG 2C1

# 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredient	Formula	CAS No.	Content
METHANE	C-H4	74-82-8	15%
OXYGEN	O2	7782-44-7	5%
CARBON MONOXIDE	C-O	630-08-0	0.1%
HYDROGEN	H2	1333-74-0	0.1%
ETHANE	C2-H6	74-84-0	0.05%
ETHYLENE	C2-H4	74-85-1	0.05%
CARBON DIOXIDE	CO2	124-38-9	30%
HELIUM	He	7440-59-7	0.05%
NITROGEN	N2	7727-37-9	remainder



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# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eve None required.

Inhalation If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. To protect rescuer, use an Air-line respirator or Self Contained

Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. Give oxygen if available. For advice,

contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor.

Skin None required.

Ingestion Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.

**Advice to Doctor** Treat symptomatically

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Flammability** Non flammable.

Fire and Temperatures in a fire may cause cylinders to rupture. Cool cylinders or containers exposed to fire by applying **Explosion** water from a protected location. Do not approach cylinders or containers suspected of being hot.

**Extinguishing** Use water fog to cool containers from protected area.

**Hazchem Code** 2TE

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Spillage** If the cylinder is leaking, evacuate area of personnel. Inform manufacturer/supplier of leak. Use personal protective equipment. Carefully move material to a well ventilated remote area, then allow to discharge. Do not

attempt to repair leaking valve or cylinder safety devices.

# 7. STORAGE AND HANDLING

Do not store near incompatible materials. Cylinders should be stored below 45°C in a secure area, upright and Storage restrained to prevent cylinders from falling. Cylinders should also be stored in a dry, well ventilated area

constructed of non-combustible material with firm level floor (preferably concrete), away from areas of heavy traffic

and emergency exits.

Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid inhalation. Do not drag, drop, slide or roll cylinders. The Handling

uncontrolled release of a gas under pressure may cause physical harm. Use a suitable hand truck for cylinder

movement.

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Exposure Stds**

Ingredient	Reference	1	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m3	ppm	mg/m3	
Carbon dioxide	ASCC (AUS)	5000	9000	30000	54000	
Carbon dioxide in coal mines	ASCC (AUS)	12500	22500	30000	54000	
Carbon monoxide	ASCC (AUS)	30	34			
Ethane	ASCC (AUS)		Asphyxiant			
Ethylene	ASCC (AUS)		Asphyxiant			
Helium	ASCC (AUS)		Asphyxiant			
Hydrogen	ASCC (AUS)		Asphyxiant			
Methane	ASCC (AUS)		Asphyxiant			
Nitrogen	ASCC (AUS)		Asphyxiant			

# **Biological Limits**

Ingredient	Reference	Determinant	Sampling Time	BEI
CARBON MONOXIDE	ACGIH BEI	Carboxyhemoglobin in blood	End of shift	3.5% of hemoglobin
	ACGIH BEI	Carbon monoxide in end- exhaled air	End of shift	20 ppm



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# Engineering Controls

Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended. Maintain vapour levels below the recommended exposure standard.

PPE

Wear safety boots, leather gloves and safety glasses. Where an inhalation risk exists, wear: an Air-line respirator or self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA).







# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	COLOURLESS GAS	Solubility (Water)	0.0149 L/L (Nitrogen)
Odour	SWEET ODOUR	Specific Gravity	NOT APPLICABLE
pH	NOT APPLICABLE	% Volatiles	100 %
Vapour Pressure	NOT AVAILABLE	Flammability	NON FLAMMABLE
Vapour Density	NOT AVAILABLE	Flash Point	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Boiling Point</b>	NOT AVAILABLE	Upper Explosion Limit	NOT RELEVANT
Melting Point	NOT AVAILABLE	Lower Explosion Limit	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	NOT APPLICABLE		
Cylinder Pressure	13,000 kPa @ 15°C		

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical Stability** Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

**Conditions to Avoid** Avoid contact with incompatible substances.

**Material to Avoid** 

Moist carbon dioxide is corrosive, hence acid resistant materials are required (stainless steel). Certain properties of some plastics and rubbers may be affected by carbon dioxide, ie. embrittlement, leaching of plasticisers, etc. Dust of aluminium, chrome, manganese may ignite then explode when heated in carbon dioxide. Incompatible with acrylaldehyde, aziridine, metal acetylides, sodium peroxide. Ethylene explodes spontaneously when mixed with chlorine in sunlight, reacts violently with oxidising agents and is phytotoxic. Carbon monoxide reacts violently with oxygen difluoride, chlorine, barium peroxide. Can react with iron, nickel and other metals to form highly toxic carbonyls. Carbon monoxide can cause stress corrosion cracking in steels especially if other acid gases (e.g. carbon dioxide, sulphur compounds), are present. Below 3500 kPa corrosion is negligible and normal materials can be used.

**Decomposition** May evolve toxic gases if heated to decomposition.

**Hazardous Reactions** Polymerization will not occur.

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Health Hazard Summary Asphyxiant gas - non irritant. When released into air the concentration of carbon dioxide is diluted. Carbon dioxide concentrations of 3-5 % in air cause increased respiration and headache. Concentrations of 8-15% cause headache, nausea and vomiting which may lead to unconsciousness if not moved to open air and given oxygen. Inhalation of a mixture containing no oxygen may result in unconsciousness from the first breath and death may follow in minutes. Adverse health affects to long term exposure to carbon dioxide have not been reported. However, in environments such as submarines where exposure to levels of 0.5-1.0% may occur, specialist medical opinion should be sought on the effects of long term exposure. Carbon monoxide can be fatal at low levels. Over exposure may result in permanent CNS/brain damage with numerous side effects. Chronic exposure may result in heart damage. Over exposure may result in birth defects. Those who smoke, have heart disease, brain disease or anaemia are at an increased risk of adverse health effects.

Eye Non irritant.

**Inhalation** Non irritant - Asphyxiant. Effects are proportional to oxygen displacement.

**Skin** Non irritant.

**Ingestion** Ingestion is considered unlikely due to product form.

**Toxicity Data** CARBON MONOXIDE (630-08-0)

LC50 (Inhalation): 1807 ppm/4H (rat) LCLo (Inhalation): 5000 ppm/5M (human)



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CARBON DIOXIDE (124-38-9)

LC50 (Inhalation): 470000 ppm/30M (rat) LCLo (Inhalation): 9 pph/5M (human)

# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Environment** When discharged to the atmosphere, carbon dioxide may contribute to the greenhouse effect.

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Waste Disposal** Cylinders should be returned to the manufacturer or supplier for disposal of contents.

**Legislation** Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**Transport** Ensure cylinder is separated from driver and that outlet of relief device is not obstructed.



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Shipping Name COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S.

UN No. 1956 DG Class 2.2 Subsidiary Risk(s) None Allocated

Packing Group None Allocated Hazchem Code 2TE EPG 2C1

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Poison Schedule A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform

Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons (SUSDP).

AICS All chemicals listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

#### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Additional Information

The storage of significant quantities of gas cylinders must comply with AS4332 The storage and handling of gases in cylinders.

APPLICATION METHOD: Gas regulator of suitable pressure and flow rating fitted to cylinder or manifold with low pressure gas distribution to equipment.

ABBREVIATIONS:

ADB - Air-Dry Basis.

BEI - Biological Exposure Indice(s)

CAS# - Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds.

CNS - Central Nervous System.

EINECS - European INventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances.

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer.

M - moles per litre, a unit of concentration.

mg/m3 - Milligrams per cubic metre.

NOS - Not Otherwise Specified.

NTP - National Toxicology Program.

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

pH - relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline).

ppm - Parts Per Million.

RTECS - Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.

TWA/ES - Time Weighted Average or Exposure Standard.

### **HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:**

It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a Chem Alert report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.



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#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this Chem Alert report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.

#### **Report Status**

This document has been compiled by RMT on behalf of the manufacturer of the product and serves as the manufacturer's Safety Data Sheet ('SDS').

It is based on information concerning the product which has been provided to RMT by the manufacturer or obtained from third party sources and is believed to represent the current state of knowledge as to the appropriate safety and handling precautions for the product at the time of issue. Further clarification regarding any aspect of the product should be obtained directly from the manufacturer.

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