

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

# 1154

Product Name **LESS THAN 50% NITROGEN, BALANCE OXYGEN**

### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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**Synonym(s)** 1154 - MSDS NUMBER • PRODUCT CODES: 285, 288 • SPECIAL GAS MIXTURE  
**Use(s)** CALIBRATION • INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS  
**SDS date** 15 March 2013

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

#### RISK PHRASES

R8 Contact with combustible material may cause fire.

#### SAFETY PHRASES

S2 Keep out of reach of children.

S17 Keep away from combustible material.

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| <b>UN number</b>     | 3156           | <b>DG division</b>        | 2.2 |
| <b>Packing group</b> | None Allocated | <b>Subsidiary risk(s)</b> | 5.1 |
| <b>Hazchem code</b>  | 2S             |                           |     |

### 3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| Ingredient | Identification                  | Classification | Content |
|------------|---------------------------------|----------------|---------|
| OXYGEN     | CAS: 7782-44-7<br>EC: 231-956-9 | O;R8           | >50%    |
| NITROGEN   | CAS: 7727-37-9<br>EC: 231-783-9 | Not Available  | <50%    |

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Eye** None required.

**Inhalation** If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. For advice, contact a Poison 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** Treatment for hyperoxia.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

|                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| <b>Flammability</b>       | Non flammable - oxidising agent. Supports combustion and may cause fire/explosion in contact with incompatible substances, strong acids, reducing agents, combustibles and flammables. Materials which burn in air, will burn more vigorously in oxygen enriched atmospheres.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Fire and explosion</b> | Temperatures in a fire may cause cylinders to rupture and internal pressure relief devices to be activated. Cool cylinders or containers exposed to fire by applying water from a protected location. Do not approach cylinders or containers suspected of being hot. Remove cool cylinders from the path of the fire if safe to do so. Ensure working area is well ventilated before re-use. Notify the manufacturer that you will be returning a faulty cylinder. Residual product will be disposed of when the cylinder is returned. |
| <b>Extinguishing</b>      | Use water fog to cool containers from protected area.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Hazchem code</b>       | 2S<br>2 Water Fog (or fine water spray if fog unavailable)<br>S Self Contained Breathing apparatus and protective gloves.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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| <b>Personal precautions</b>      | If the cylinder is leaking, evacuate area of personnel. Inform manufacturer/supplier of leak. Use personal protective equipment as detailed in Section 8 of this SDS.  |
| <b>Environmental precautions</b> | Prevent from entering sewers, basements and workpits, or any place where its accumulation can be dangerous.                                                            |
| <b>Methods of cleaning up</b>    | Carefully move material to a well ventilated remote area, then allow to discharge if safe to do so. Do not attempt to repair leaking valve or cylinder safety devices. |
| <b>References</b>                | See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.                                                                                                              |

## 7. STORAGE AND HANDLING

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| <b>Storage</b>  | Do not store near sources of ignition or incompatible materials. Cylinders should be stored below 45°C in a secure area, upright and 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. |
| <b>Handling</b> | Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid inhalation. Do not drag, drop, slide or roll cylinders. The 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 standards

| Ingredient | Reference | TWA        |                   | STEL |                   |
|------------|-----------|------------|-------------------|------|-------------------|
|            |           | ppm        | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | ppm  | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| Nitrogen   | SWA (AUS) | Asphyxiant |                   |      |                   |

**Biological limits** No biological limit allocated.

**Engineering controls** No special precautions are normally required when handling this product.

### PPE

|                    |                                              |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <b>Eye / Face</b>  | Wear safety glasses.                         |
| <b>Hands</b>       | Wear leather gloves.                         |
| <b>Body</b>        | Wear safety boots.                           |
| <b>Respiratory</b> | Not required under normal conditions of use. |



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**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

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|                               |                                                 |
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| Appearance                    | COLOURLESS GAS                                  |
| Odour                         | ODOURLESS                                       |
| Flammability                  | NON FLAMMABLE                                   |
| Flash point                   | NOT RELEVANT                                    |
| Boiling point                 | -183°C (Oxygen)                                 |
| Melting point                 | NOT AVAILABLE                                   |
| Evaporation rate              | NOT APPLICABLE                                  |
| pH                            | NOT APPLICABLE                                  |
| Vapour density                | NOT AVAILABLE                                   |
| Specific gravity              | NOT APPLICABLE                                  |
| Solubility (water)            | 0.032 cm <sup>3</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup> (Oxygen) |
| Vapour pressure               | NOT AVAILABLE                                   |
| Upper explosion limit         | NOT RELEVANT                                    |
| Lower explosion limit         | NOT RELEVANT                                    |
| Cylinder pressure (when full) | 13,000 kPa @ 15°C                               |
| Critical temperature          | -118.6°C (Oxygen)                               |
| Critical pressure             | 5,043 kPa (Oxygen)                              |
| % Volatiles                   | 100 %                                           |

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**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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| Chemical stability               | Stable under recommended conditions of storage.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Conditions to avoid              | Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Material to avoid                | Combustible materials such as oil and grease can spontaneously ignite at low temperatures in oxygen enriched atmospheres. Materials which burn in air, will burn more vigorously in oxygen enriched atmospheres. All non-metals must be oxygen compatible. Copper is most commonly used metal. |
| Hazardous Decomposition Products | This material will not decompose to form hazardous products other than that already present.                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Hazardous Reactions              | Polymerization will not occur.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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| Health Hazard Summary | Non irritant - non toxic gas. The respiratory and central nervous systems are primarily affected by gaseous oxygen. No health effects have been observed in humans exposed to concentrations up to 80% oxygen for a few hours or up to 50% for 24 hours. At pressures above 1 atmosphere hyperoxia may appear after 2 to 6 hours. Chronic exposure at normal or elevated pressure may result in severe thickening and scarring of lung tissues. Not carcinogenic or mutagenic. |
| Eye                   | Non irritant.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Inhalation            | Non irritant. As the amount of oxygen inhaled is increased chest tightness, burning pains and coughing spasms will occur. Other symptoms of hyperoxia include cramps, nausea, dizziness, hypothermia, amblyopia (loss of vision), bradycardia, fainting spells and convulsions capable of causing death.                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Skin                  | Non irritant.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Ingestion             | Ingestion is considered unlikely due to product form.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Toxicity data         | No LD50 data available for this product.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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| Toxicity                      | No information provided.                  |
| Persistence and degradability | No information provided.                  |
| Bioaccumulative potential     | No information provided.                  |
| Mobility in soil              | No information provided.                  |
| Other adverse effects         | Not toxic to aquatic or terrestrial life. |

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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| 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

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|                      | LAND TRANSPORT<br>(ADG)                                  | SEA TRANSPORT<br>(IMDG / IMO) | AIR TRANSPORT<br>(IATA / ICAO) |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| UN number            | 3156                                                     | 3156                          | 3156                           |
| Proper shipping name | COMPRESSED GAS, OXIDIZING, N.O.S.                        |                               |                                |
| DG class/ Division   | 2.2                                                      | 2.2                           | 2.2                            |
| Subsidiary risk(s)   | 5.1                                                      | 5.1                           | 5.1                            |
| Packing group        | None Allocated                                           | None Allocated                | None Allocated                 |
| GTEPG                | 2B1                                                      |                               |                                |
| Hazchem code         | 2S                                                       |                               |                                |
| EMS                  | F-C, S-W                                                 |                               |                                |
| Other information    | Ensure cylinder is separated from driver and foodstuffs. |                               |                                |

### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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| Poison schedule      | A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) |
| Inventory Listing(s) | <b>AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)</b><br>All components are listed on AICS, or are exempt.                                      |

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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| Additional information | The storage of significant quantities of gas cylinders must comply with AS4332 The storage and handling of gases in cylinders. |
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APPLICATION METHOD: Gas regulator of suitable pressure and flow rating fitted to cylinder or manifold with low pressure gas distribution to equipment.

#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this 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.

#### 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 ChemAlert 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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| <b>Abbreviations</b> | ACGIH             | American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists                                       |
|                      | CAS #             | Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds                 |
|                      | CNS               | Central Nervous System                                                                          |
|                      | EC No.            | EC No - European Community Number                                                               |
|                      | GHS               | Globally Harmonized System                                                                      |
|                      | IARC              | International Agency for Research on Cancer                                                     |
|                      | LD50              | Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose                                                           |
|                      | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | Milligrams per Cubic Metre                                                                      |
|                      | PEL               | Permissible Exposure Limit                                                                      |
|                      | pH                | relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline). |
|                      | ppm               | Parts Per Million                                                                               |
|                      | REACH             | Regulation on Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals              |
|                      | STOT-RE           | Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)                                              |
|                      | STOT-SE           | Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)                                                |
|                      | SUSMP             | Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons                                    |
|                      | TLV               | Threshold Limit Value                                                                           |
|                      | TWA/OEL           | Time Weighted Average or Occupational Exposure Limit                                            |

**Revision history**

| Revision | Description          |
|----------|----------------------|
| 2.0      | Standard SDS Review. |
| 1.0      | Initial SDS creation |

**Report status**

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