

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# 2821

Product Name 15 COMPONENT MIXTURE (BALANCE N2)

# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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Synonym(s) 2821 - SDS NUMBER • SPECIAL GAS MIXTURE Use(s) CALIBRATION • INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS

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# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

## NOT CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

**RISK PHRASES** 

R12 Extremely Flammable. R45 May cause cancer.

R46 May cause heritable genetic damage.

**SAFETY PHRASES** 

S1/2 Keep locked up and out of reach of children.

S23 Do not breathe gas.

S53 Avoid exposure - obtain special instructions before use.

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**UN** number 1956 **DG** division 2.1

Packing group None Allocated Subsidiary risk(s) None Allocated

Hazchem code 2TE

# 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| Ingredient     | Identification                  | Classification                | Content (v/v) |
|----------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| PROPANE        | CAS: 74-98-6<br>EC: 200-827-9   | F+;R12                        | 21.4%         |
| PROPYLENE      | CAS: 115-07-1<br>EC: 204-062-1  | F+;R12                        | 10%           |
| ISOBUTANE      | CAS: 75-28-5<br>EC: 200-857-2   | F+;R12                        | 5%            |
| OXYGEN         | CAS: 7782-44-7<br>EC: 231-956-9 | O;R8                          | 3%            |
| TRANS-2-BUTENE | CAS: 624-64-6<br>EC: 210-855-3  | F+;R12                        | 3%            |
| 1,3-BUTADIENE  | CAS: 106-99-0<br>EC: 203-450-8  | F+;R12 Carc.;R45<br>Muta.;R46 | 2%            |



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| ETHANE       | CAS: 74-84-0<br>EC: 200-814-8    | F+;R12   | 0.5% |
|--------------|----------------------------------|--|------|
| ETHYLENE     | CAS: 74-85-1<br>EC: 200-815-3    | F+;R12 Xn;R67  | 0.5% |
| ISOPENTANE   | CAS: 78-78-4<br>EC: 201-142-8    | F+;R12 N;R51/53<br>Xn;R65 Xi;R66 Xn;R67                          | 0.2% |
| N-HEXANE     | CAS: 110-54-3<br>EC: 203-777-6   | F;R11 Xi;R38<br>Xn;R48/20 N;R51/53<br>Repr.;R62 Xn;R65<br>Xn;R67 | 0.2% |
| NITROGEN     | CAS: 7727-37-9<br>EC: 231-783-9  | Not Available  | 45%  |
| N-BUTANE     | Not Available                    | Not Available  | 5%   |
| BUTENE       | CAS: 25167-67-3<br>EC: 246-689-3 | Not Available  | 2%   |
| CIS-2-BUTENE | CAS: 590-18-1<br>EC: 209-673-7   | Not Available  | 2%   |
| N-PENTANE    | Not Available                    | Not Available  | 0.2% |

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Eye** 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 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 Treat symptomatically.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammability Highly flammable. Eliminate all ignition sources including cigarettes, open flames, spark producing

switches/tools, heaters, naked lights, pilot lights, mobile phones etc. when handling.

Fire and explosion 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. This material is capable of forming

explosive mixtures with air.

**Extinguishing** Stop flow of gas if safe to do so, such as by slowly closing the cylinder valve. If the gas source

cannot be isolated, do not extinguish the flame, since re-ignition and explosion could occur. Await arrival of emergency services or manufacturer's advisor. Drench and cool cylinders with water spray from protected area at a safe distance. If it is absolutely necessary to extinguish the flame, use only a dry chemical powder extinguisher. Do not move cylinders for at least 24 hours. Avoid shock and

bumps to cylinders.

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2 Water Fog (or fine water spray if fog unavailable)

T Self Contained Breathing apparatus and protective gloves.

E Evacuation of people in the vicinity of the incident should be considered.

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Spillage

If the cylinder is leaking, eliminate all potential ignition sources and evacuate area of personnel. Prevent spreading of vapours through drains and ventilation systems. 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

Storage

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



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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.

Handling

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   |       |
|---------------|------------|------------|-------|--------|-------|
| ingredient    | Kelelelice | ppm        | mg/m³ | ppm    | mg/m³ |
| 1,3-Butadiene | SWA (AUS)  | 10         | 22    |        |       |
| Ethane        | SWA (AUS)  |            | Asph  | yxiant |       |
| Ethylene      | SWA (AUS)  |            | Asph  | yxiant |       |
| Isobutane     | SWA (AUS)  | 1000       |       |        |       |
| Nitrogen      | SWA (AUS)  |            | Asph  | yxiant |       |
| Propane       | SWA (AUS)  |            | Asph  | yxiant |       |
| Propylene     | SWA (AUS)  | Asphyxiant |       |        |       |
| n-Hexane      | SWA (AUS)  | 20         | 72    |        |       |

#### **Biological limits**

| Ingredient    | Reference | Determinant  | Sampling Time                   | BEI                   |
|---------------|-----------|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1,3-BUTADIENE | ACGIH BEI | 1,2-Dihydroxy-4-(N-acetylcy steinyl)-butane in urine                           | End of shift                    | 25 mg/g<br>creatinine |
|               | ACGIH BEI | Mixture of N-1 and N-2-(hydroxybutenyl)valine hemoglobin (Hb) adducts in blood | Not critical                    | 2.5 pmol/g Hb         |
| N-HEXANE      | ACGIH BEI | 2,5-Hexanedione in urine (without hydrolysis)                                  | End of shift at end of workweek | 0.4 mg/L              |

**Engineering controls** Provide suitable ventilation to minimise or eliminate exposure. Confined areas (eg. tanks) should be

adequately ventilated or gas tested. Maintain vapour levels below the recommended exposure

standard.

**PPE** 

Eye / Face Wear safety glasses. Hands Wear leather gloves. **Body** Wear safety boots.

Respiratory Where an inhalation risk exists, wear Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) or an Air-line

respirator.







# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance COLOURLESS GAS** Odour SLIGHT ODOUR **Flammability** HIGHLY FLAMMABLE

Flash point < 23°C

**Boiling point NOT AVAILABLE Melting point NOT AVAILABLE Evaporation rate NOT APPLICABLE** pН **NOT APPLICABLE** Vapour density **NOT AVAILABLE** Specific gravity **NOT APPLICABLE** 



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Solubility (water) 0.0149 L/L (Nitrogen) Vapour pressure **NOT AVAILABLE Upper explosion limit** 9.5 % (Propane) Lower explosion limit 2.1 % (Propane) **Partition coefficient NOT AVAILABLE Autoignition temperature NOT AVAILABLE Decomposition temperature NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE** Viscosity **Explosive properties** NOT AVAILABLE **Oxidising properties** NOT AVAILABLE **Odour threshold** NOT AVAILABLE

% Volatiles 100 %

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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

Conditions to avoid Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

Material to avoid Incompatible with oxidising agents (eg. hypochlorites), acids (eg. nitric acid), heat and ignition

sources. Do not use natural rubber flexible hoses. Also incompatible (potentially violently) with

oxygen, halogens and metal halides.

**Hazardous Decomposition** 

**Products** 

This material will not decompose to form hazardous products other than that already present.

**Hazardous Reactions** Polymerization will not occur.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Health Hazard Summary Asphyxiant gas. Symptoms of exposure are directly related to displacement of oxygen. As the amount of oxygen inhaled is reduced from 21-14% volume, the pulse rate may accelerate and the rate and volume of breathing may increase. The ability to maintain attention and think clearly is diminished, muscular co-ordination is somewhat disturbed. As oxygen decreases from 14-10% volume, judgement becomes faulty, severe injuries may result in no pain. Muscular effort may lead to rapid fatigue. Further reduction to 6% may result in nausea and vomiting. Ability to move may be lost. Permanent brain damage may result even after resuscitation from exposure to this low level of oxygen. Below 6% breathing is in gasps and convulsions may occur. Inhalation of a mixture containing no oxygen may result in unconsciousness from the first breath and death may follow in minutes. May cause cancer. May cause heritable genetic damage. 1,3-Butadiene is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1).

Eye Non irritant

**Inhalation** Asphyxiant. Effects are proportional to oxygen displacement.

**Skin** Non irritant.

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

**Toxicity data** PROPANE (74-98-6)

LC50 (inhalation) > 800000 ppm/15M (rat)

1,3-BUTADIENE (106-99-0)

LC50 (inhalation) 270 g/m³/2 hours (mouse)

N-HEXANE (110-54-3)

LC50 (inhalation) 48000 ppm/4 hours (rat)

LD50 (ingestion) 25 g/kg (rat) LD50 (skin) 3000 mg/kg (rabbit)

# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity No information provided.

Persistence and degradability No information provided.

**Bioaccumulative potential** No information provided.

**Mobility in soil** No information provided.



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Other adverse effects No known ecological damage is caused by this product.

### 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

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



|                      | LAND TRANSPORT<br>(ADG) | SEA TRANSPORT<br>(IMDG / IMO) | AIR TRANSPORT<br>(IATA / ICAO) |  |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| UN number            | 1956                    | 1956                          | 1956                           |  |
| Proper shipping name |                         | COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S.        |                                |  |
| DG class/ Division   | 2.1                     | 2.1                           | 2.1                            |  |
| Subsidiary risk(s)   | None Allocated          | None Allocated                | None Allocated                 |  |
| Packing group        | None Allocated          | None Allocated                | None Allocated                 |  |
| GTEPG                | 2C1                     |                               |                                |  |
| Hazchem code         | 2TE                     |                               |                                |  |
|                      |                         |                               |                                |  |

**FMS** F-C, S-V

Other information Ensure cylinder is separated from driver and that outlet of relief device is not obstructed. Refer to

Commonwealth, State and Territory Dangerous Goods Legislation which contain requirements which

affect gas storage and transport.

## 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 Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).

**AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)** Inventory Listing(s)

All components are listed on AICS, or are exempt.

# 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.

#### 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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| Abbreviations | ACGIH | American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists |
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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

LC50 Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration

LD50 Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose

mg/m³ Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL Occupational Exposure Limit
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

STEL Short-Term Exposure Limit

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

SWA Safe Work Australia
TLV Threshold Limit Value
TWA Time Weighted Average

#### **Revision history**

| Revision | Description          |
|----------|----------------------|
| 1.0      | Initial SDS Creation |

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