

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

# SECTION 1 - PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Crystalline silica in the form of Quartz (Including but not limited to): Albany Sand, All Purpose Sand, Asphalt Sand, Bank Run Gravel, Bar Sand, Infield Mix-Series, Brick Sands, Concrete Sand-Series, Filter Sand-Series, Foundry Sands, Golf Sand, Headlap Sand, Ice Control Sand, K-Series Septic Sand, Mason Sand, McConn Sand, Mortar Sand, NJ DOT I-1 through I-13, Play Sand, Port Sand, DSS-Series Sand, Screened Fill, Sewage Sand, Washed Gravels, 35 through 110 Sand, Thermal Sand, GC-Series Sand, Reactor Sand, Top Soil, Runway Sand, Sand & Gravel

Synonyms/Common Names: Sand, Silica Sand, Industrial Sand, Quartz, Crystalline Silica, Silicon Dioxide, Flint, Gravel.

### Relevant Identified Uses of the Substance or Mixture and Uses Advised Against:

Product Use: Various commercial and industrial uses

#### **Plant Locations:**

Port Elizabeth Plant, Port Elizabeth, NJ; Dorchester Plant, Dorchester, NJ

#### Manufacturer:

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## **SECTION 2 - HAZARD IDENTIFICATION**

#### GHS/ Hazcom 2012 Classification:

Physical:	Health:	Environmental		
Not Hazardous	Carcinogen Category 1A	Not Hazardous		
	Specific Target Organ Toxicity			
	(Repeated Exposure) Category 1	to the state of the state of the state of		

## GHS/Hazcom 2012 Label:



#### DANGER

#### Statements of Hazard

May cause cancer by inhalation.

Causes damage to lungs through prolonged or repeated exposure by inhalation

## Response:

If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice.

#### Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use.

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

Do not breathe dust.

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

Wear protective gloves and safety glasses or goggles.

the nature of contamination, and b) consider possible toxic or fire hazards associated with the contaminating substances. Collect for appropriate disposal.

## **SECTION 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**Precautions for Safe Handling:** Do not breathe dust. Do not rely on your sight to determine if dust is in the air. Silica may be in the air without a visible dust cloud. Use normal precautions against bag breakage or spills of bulk material. Avoid creation of respirable dust. Do not use as a dry abrasive blasting agent. Use good housekeeping in storage and use areas to prevent accumulation of dust in work area.

OSHA's standard on respirable crystalline silica includes requirements for controlling worker exposure, medical surveillance and worker training. Refer to the OSHA website (<a href="www.osha.gov">www.osha.gov</a>) for more information.

To reduce the risk of developing silicosis, lung cancer and other adverse health effects, the ACGIH recommends that the industrial hygienist use every means available to keep exposures below the recommended TLV. NIOSH recommends reducing airborne exposure levels as low as possible below NIOSH's recommended exposure limit, substituting less hazardous materials when feasible, using appropriate respiratory protection when source controls cannot keep exposures below the recommended limit and making medical examinations available to exposed workers.

Use adequate ventilation and dust collection. To minimize exposure, wear a respirator approved for silica dust when using, handling, storing or disposing of this product or bag. Refer to the most recent government and local regulations when selecting a respirator. Maintain, clean and fit test respirators in accordance with the most recent government and local regulations. Maintain and test ventilation and dust collection equipment. Launder clothing that has become dusty. Empty containers (bags, bulk containers, storage tanks, etc.) retain silica residue and must be handled in accordance with the provisions of this Safety Data Sheet. WARN and TRAIN employees in accordance with state and federal regulations.

Refer to the OSHA Respirable Crystalline Silica standards; 29CFR1910.1053, 1915.1053 and 1926.1053 for specific requirements for use and handling.

WARN YOUR EMPLOYEES (AND YOUR CUSTOMERS AND USERS IN CASE OF RESALE) BY POSTING, AND OTHER MEANS, OF THE HAZARDS AND OSHA AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE REGULATORY PRECAUTIONS TO BE USED. PROVIDE TRAINING FOR YOUR EMPLOYEES ABOUT OSHA PRECAUTIONS.

Dust can accumulate electrostatic charges due to friction from transfer and mixing operations and cause an electrical spark (ignition source) which can ignite flammable liquids and atmospheres. Provide adequate precautions when adding this product to flammable and combustible mixtures like paints and coating, such as electrical grounding and bonding, inert atmosphere or non-sparking tools. However, bonding and grounds may not eliminate the hazard for static accumulation.

See also American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard Practice E1132-99a, "Standard Practice for Health Requirements Relating to Occupational Exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica".

Additional information on silica hazards and precautionary measures can be found on the following websites: NIOSH Joint campaign on Silicosis Prevention: http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/silica/OSHA Crystalline Silica: https://www.osha.gov/dsg/topics/silicacrystalline/index.html MSHA Silicosis Prevention: http://www.msha.gov/S&HINFO/SILICO/SILICO.HTM NIOSH Hazard Review – Health Effects of Occupational Exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica: http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2002-129/pdfs/2002-129.pdf

Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities: Store in a dry location.

to respirable crystalline silica over a working lifetime at the current Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) permissible exposure limit (PEL), the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) PEL, or the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) recommended exposure limit (REL). ... Current sampling and analytical methods used to evaluate occupational exposure to respirable crystalline silica do not meet the accuracy criterion needed to quantify exposures at concentrations below the NIOSH REL of 0.05 mg/m³ as a time-weighted average (TWA) for up to a 10-hr workday during a 40-hr workweek. Until improved sampling and analytical methods are developed for respirable crystalline silica, NIOSH will continue to recommend an exposure limit of 0.05 mg/m³ to reduce the risk of developing silicosis, lung cancer, and other adverse health effects. NIOSH also recommends minimizing the risk of illness that remains for workers exposed at the REL by substituting less hazardous materials for crystalline silica when feasible, by using appropriate respiratory protection when source controls cannot keep exposures below the NIOSH REL, and by making medical examinations available to exposed workers."

Crystalline silica exists in several forms, the most common of which are quartz (i.e. this product), trydimite and cristobalite, with quartz being the most common form found in nature. If quartz is heated to more than 870°C, it can change form to trydimite and if quartz is heated to more than 1450°C, it can change form to cristobalite.

Appropriate Engineering Controls: Use local exhaust as required to maintain exposures as far as possible below applicable occupational exposure limits. See also ACGIH "Industrial Ventilation - A Manual for Recommended Practice" (current edition). Control of exposure to dust must be accomplished as far as feasible by accepted engineering control measures (for example, enclosure or confinement of the operation, general or local exhaust ventilation and substitution of less toxic materials). Refer to the OSHA Respirable Crystalline Silica standards; 29CFR1910.1053, 1915.1053 and 1926.1053 for specific requirements for engineering controls.

## **Personal Protective Equipment:**

Respiratory Protection: When effective engineering controls are not feasible, or while they are being implemented, appropriate respiratory protection must be used. Use appropriate respiratory protection for respirable particulates based on consideration of airborne workplace concentrations and duration of exposure arising from intended end use. Refer to the OSHA Respirable Crystalline Silica standards; 29CFR1910.1053, 1915.1053 and 1926.1053 for specific requirements for respiratory protection. Always refer to the most recent government and local standards.

Gloves: Protective gloves recommended.

Eye Protection: Safety glasses or goggles recommended.

Other Protective Equipment/Clothing: As appropriate for the work environment. Dusty clothing should be laundered before reuse.

## **SECTION 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Form:	anni sat ne dagrou ne ra		White or tan sand or gravel; granular.		
Viscosity:	Not applicable	Odor:	None		
pH:	Not applicable	Odor Threshold:	Not applicable		
<b>Boiling Point/Range:</b>	4046°F / 2230°C	Vapor Density:	Not applicable Not applicable		
Melting point/freezing point:	2930°F / 1610°C	Evaporation Rate:			
Flammability (solid, gas):	Fully oxidized, will not burn	Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	Not applicable		
Decomposition Temperature:	Not applicable	Vapor Pressure:	Not applicable		
Flash Point:	Not applicable	Relative Density:	2.65		
Lower Explosion Limit:	Not applicable	Solubilities:	Insoluble in water		
Upper Explosion Limit:	Not applicable	<b>Autoignition Temperature:</b>			

Other Data with Possible Relevance to Human Health:

There is some evidence that breathing respirable crystalline silica or the disease silicosis is associated with an increased incidence of significant disease endpoints such as scleroderma (an immune system disorder manifested by fibrosis of the lungs, skin and other internal organs) rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus, erythematosus, sarcoidosis, chronic bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), emphysema, chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease.

For further information consult "Adverse Effects of Crystalline Silica Exposure" published by the American Thoracic Society Medical Section of the American Lung Association, American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine, Volume 155, pages 761-768, 1997, and see also NIOSH Hazard Review — Health Effects of Occupational Exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica, April 2002 (see Section 7 for NIOSH Hazard Review Website).

Carcinogenicity: The International Agency for Research on Cancer has determined that crystalline silica is carcinogenic to humans (Group 1 - carcinogenic to humans). Refer to <a href="IARC Monograph 100C">IARC Monograph 100C</a>, A Review of Human Carcinogens: <a href="Arsenic">Arsenic</a>, Fibres, and Dusts (published in 2011) in conjunction with the use of these materials. The National Toxicology Program classifies respirable crystalline silica as "known to be a human carcinogen". Refer to the Twelfth Report on Carcinogens (2011). The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) classifies crystalline silica, quartz, as a suspected human carcinogen (A2).

**Developmental** / **Reproductive Toxicity**: No specific data is available, however, there is no evidence that silica exposure has any effect on reproduction.

Genetic Toxicity: No specific data is available, however, there is no evidence that silica is a germ cell mutagen.

# **SECTION 12 – ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Toxicity: Practically non-toxic to aquatic organisms. Silica: LC50 carp >10,000 mg/L/72 hr.

Persistence and Degradability: Silica is not degradable.

Bioaccumulative Potential: Not expected to bioaccumulate.

Mobility in Soil: Not applicable.

Results of PBT and vPvB Assessment: None required.

Other Adverse Effects: None known

## **SECTION 13 – DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

# **Waste Treatment Methods:**

If uncontaminated, dispose as an inert, non-metallic mineral. If contaminated, dispose in accordance with all applicable local, state/provincial and national/ federal regulations in light of the contamination present. Local regulations may be more stringent than regional and national requirements. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical characteristics of the material to determine the proper waste identification and disposal in compliance with applicable regulations.

## **SECTION 14 – TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Crystalline silica (quartz) is not a hazardous material for purposes of transportation under the U.S. Department of Transportation Table of Hazardous Materials, 49 CFR §172.101.

## **SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

NFPA Hazard Rating:

Health: 1

Fire: 0

Reactivity: 0

**HMIS Hazard Rating:** 

Health: \*

Fire: 0

Reactivity: 0

\* Warning - Chronic health effect possible - inhalation of silica dust may cause lung injury/disease (silicosis). Take appropriate measures to avoid breathing dust. See Section 3.

## References:

Registry for Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS), 2014

NIOSH Hazard Review - Health Effects of Occupational Exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica, April 2002

NTP Twelfth Report on Carcinogens, 2011

IARC Monograph Volume100C, A Review of Human Carcinogens: Arsenic, Fibres, and Dusts (2012)

Hazardous Substances Data Bank (HSDB), 2016

Documentation of the TLV - Silica, Crystalline: α-Quartz and Cristobalite, American Conference of

Governmental Industrial Hygienists, 2006

OSHA Respirable Crystalline Silica standards; 29CFR1910.1053, 1915.1053 and 1926.1053

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