

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

## **SECTION 1. PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION**

MATERIAL NAME: Composite PE-AL-PE

PRODUCT USE: Hot and cold water distribution, water service, ice-melt system, air

conditioning system, compressed air and process piping

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#### SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This product is an article and therefore is not subject to the requirements of the federal Hazardous Products Act (HPA) and Health Canada's Hazard Products Regulations (HPR) to provide a Safety Data Sheet (SDS). This product should not present a health or safety hazard under recommended or normal use.

This product is an article and therefore is not subject to the requirements of the US Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) (29 CFR 1910.1200) to provide a Safety Data Sheet (SDS). This product should not present a health or safety hazard under recommended or normal use.

Classification GHS Not Classified

GHS labelling No Labeling Applicable

## **SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

This article does not contain any substances required to be mentioned according to the criteria of WHMIS 2015.

#### **SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

**EYES:** Wash eyes with clean low-pressure water. If irritation persists, seek medical advice.

**SKIN:** Wash with soap and water.

**INGESTION:** Adverse health effects due to ingestion are not anticipated. If gastric irritation or discomfort

persist, do not induce vomiting, seek medical advice.

**INHALATION:** If symptoms are experienced, move victim to fresh air, if symptoms persists, obtain medical

attention.

Notes to Physician: Smoke and hazardous decomposition products produced in fires involving polyethylene

resins can be irritating and may cause pulmonary edema in severely exposed individuals. As this effect may be delayed in onset, a 72- hour post-expose observation is recommended. Carboxyhemoglobin levels should also be monitored to assess the degree

of carbon monoxide absorption in these individuals.

ACUTE/CHRONIC (LONG-TERM) SYMPTOMS

**AND EFFECTS:** Not expected to present a significant hazard under anticipated conditions of normal use.



## **SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING: Fire fighters <u>must</u> wear NIOSH approved SCBA (Self-Contained

Breathing Apparatus) to provide protection against combustion

products. Evacuate all unprotected personnel.

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Small Fire: Dry Chemical, CO2, water spray.

Large Fire: For fire involving aluminum fines or chips, used dry sand of Class

extinguishing agents approved for this use. Use dry chemical, CO2.

Do not use water or other liquids, foam, or halogenated

extinguishing agents. Use flooding quantities of water until well

after fire is out.

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS: Carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, aldehydes, olefinic and paraffinic

compound, traces of organic acids, ketones, alcohols and small amounts of other organic vapors may be produced. (see section 10).

# **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS: No special personal precautions required.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS:** No special environmental precautions required.

MATERIALS NOT TO BE USED FOR

**CONTAINMENT AND CLEAN UP:** None applicable.

PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED

IN CASE OF LEAK OR SPILL: Not applicable.

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:** Blue or gray semi-rigid inert tubing. Come in coil. Odorless or with a

light sweet odor coming from the PE processed compound. NOT HAZARDOUS by OSHA Hazard Communication definition but will

burn if exposed to flame.

## **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

HANDLING PROCEDURES

AND EQUIPMENT: Keep dust off walking surfaces, it may create a slipping hazard. Keep

material away from sparks, flames and other ignition sources. Do not use near welding operations, flames or hot surfaces. Prevent accumulation of dust in enclosed space. Provide adequate

ventilation to remove dust, heat and other emissions.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS: Store tubing away from heat and ignition sources, combustible

materials, strong oxidizing and incompatible chemicals. Avoid accumulation of dust by frequent cleaning and suitable storage

areas.

## **SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**EXPOSURE LIMITS:** Not required for articles.

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION No dust mask is required under normal use. Use NIOSH/MSHA

approved respirator for dust where atmosphere exceeds



recommended limits. Respirable dust (PNOC) ACGIH 3mg/m³,

OSHA 5mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

**HAND PROTECTION:** Use work gloves under normal use to avoid cuts. When handling

heated materials, be sure to use heat-resistant gloves.

EYES AND FACE PROTECTION: Safety glasses should be worn. Non-vented chemical goggles

should be worn when there is potential for exposure to vapors or

combustion product.

FOOTWEAR: Not applicable.

**CLOTHING:** No special clothing is required.

OTHER: Not applicable.

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS** 

TO BE USED: If user operations generate dust or fumes, ventilate area to prevent

accumulation. If ventilation is used to convey aluminum dust, generated by grinding, sawing, special ventilation procedures may be necessary to avoid explosion hazards. (see NFPA #65 and 651). Further information can be obtained from NFPA-654. "Standard for the Prevention of Fire and Dust Explosions in Chemical. Dve.

Pharmaceutical and Plastics Industries."

#### SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL STATE: Solid

ODOUR: Slight, sweet odour

APPEARANCE: Blue or grey round tube with silver grey core. Come in various

lengths.

BOILING POINT: Not applicable

**MELTING POINT:** Polyethylene layers: Not available

Aluminum Core: 623°C - 651°C (1153°F - 1204°F)

VAPOUR PRESSURE: Not applicable

VAPOUR DENSITY: Not applicable

SPECIFIC GRAVITY: 0.935

SOLUBILITY IN WATER @20°C: Insoluble

VOLATILES, % BY VOLUME: Not applicable

pH: Not applicable

ODOUR THRESHOLD: Not available

EVAPORATION RATE: Not applicable

COEFFICIENT WATER/OIL DISTR: Not applicable



**SOFTENING POINT (Vicat):** 85°C - 127°C (185°F - 261°F)

FLAMMABILITY / CLASSIFICATION: Not classified. Polymer will burn but does not ignite readily

**FLASH POINT:** Not applicable

**AUTOIGNITION:** Not available

**RATE OF BURNING:** Not applicable

IMPACT/SHOCK SENSITIVITY: Not applicable

STATIC DISCHARGE: Polyethylene dust particles can explode violently above 390°C

(734°F) at airborne concentrations above 20 g/m3 (dust/cloud

condition).

**EXPLOSIVE LEVEL:** Lower: Not applicable Upper: Not applicable (% volume)

LOWER FLAMMABLE LIMIT: Not established

**UPPER FLAMMABLE LIMIT:** Not established

**DECOMPOSITION TEMPERATURE:** Not available

VISCOSITY: Not applicable

#### **SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY DATA**

**CHEMICAL STABILITY:** Stable

**REACTIVITY:** Generally considered inert, but decomposes with heat above 300°C (572°F).

**INCOMPATIBLE WITH OTHER SUBSTANCES:** 

Polyethylene layer: Strong oxidizing agents (perchloric acid, nitric acid, fluorine). Organic solvents (benzene, petroleum ether, gasoline, lubricating oil, chlorinated hydrocarbons and aromatic hydrocarbons may attack polyethylene

layer). Strong acids (fuming sulphuric acid).

Aluminum layer: Finely divided aluminum reacts with water, mineral acids, harsh alkalis, and halogenated compounds to produce hydrogen gas. (see NFPA #491M for specific incompatible material). If re-melted, moisture present

in cavities or on external surfaces may cause an explosion.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION: Polyethylene compound may emit various oligomers, waxes and other

hydrocarbons including acetaldehyde, formaldehyde, acrolein, butyaldehyde, crotonaldehyde, benzaldehyde, benzene, toluene, xylene, styrene, formic acid, acetic acid, furan, tetrahydrofuran and acetone. Also, decomposition may

generate carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide.

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** Dust from polyethylene or aluminum may form explosive mixture with air.

Avoid remelting of Aluminum compound. If re-melted, moisture present in

cavities or external surfaces may cause an explosion.

**HAZARDOUS REACTIONS:** Not available.



## **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECT:

**SKIN:** Solid polyethylene and solid aluminum does not affect skin.

**EYES:** Fine particles issued from mechanical action may cause mild irritation.

Thermal decomposition product (fumes) may produce irritation to the eyes and

cause tearing. The symptoms normally stop when exposure ceases.

**INHALATION:** Polyethylene and aluminum dust is considered a nuisance particle. Inhalation

of vapors released at high heat exposure and fine dust particles may cause mild respiratory tract irritation but does not seem to cause any significant

health effects.

**INGESTION:** No known health hazard appears to be posed by ingestion of small amounts

of polyethylene or aluminum. A physician should be consulted if large amounts

are ingested.

**LONG TERM EFFECTS:** Pure polyethylene seems to be biologically inert and does not affect the body

during normal exposure. All additives in this compound have no known chronic health effects. Medical conditions generally aggravated by exposure to molten aluminum; pre-existing upper respiratory and lung diseases such as, but not

limited to, Bronchitis, Emphysema, and Asthma.

CARCINOGENICITY: Polyethylene compound not listed with IARC, NTP, ACGIH or OSHA as a

carcinogen.

Components of Aluminum alloy such as Chromium and certain of their

compound are published with NTP, IARC and ACGHI.

**SUMMARY:** Not considered to be toxic for humans or animals.

**EYES EFFECTS:** Draize score: Not available

**SKIN EFFECTS:** Draize score: Not available

**ACUTE ORAL EFFECTS:** LD<sub>50</sub>: Not available

**ACUTE INHALATION EFFECTS**: LC<sub>50</sub>: Not applicable

**IRRITATION OF PRODUCT:** Fine particles may cause mild eye irritation. Processing emissions may cause

lacrimation (tearing), eye and respiratory irritation.

SENSITIZATION: Not available

SYNERGISM WITH: Not available

**REPRODUCTIVE EFFECTS:** Not a reproductive hazard

TERATOGENICITY: Not teratogenic

MUTAGENICITY: Not mutagenic

CARCINOGENICITY: Polyethylene compound: not listed with IARC, NTP, ACGIH or OSHA as a

carcinogen. Ingredient in the aluminum alloy is listed in NTP, IARC and

ACGIH



#### **SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION: Ecotoxicity:** Not available

Environmental Fate: Not available

PERSISTENCE AND

**DEGRADABILITY:** Not established.

**BIOACCUMULATIVE** 

POTENTIAL: Not established.

**MOBILITY IN SOIL:** No additional information available.

OTHER ADVERSE EFFECTS: Not established.

## **SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Reuse, recycling, storing, transportation and disposal must be in accordance with applicable federal, state/provincial and local regulations.

#### **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

SPECIAL SHIPPING INFORMATION: Canadian TDG: Not regulated

USA DOT (HMT): Not regulated

## **SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

No information available.

#### **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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