

SAFETY DATA SHEET

Section 1. Identification of the material and the supplier

Product: Transformer

Product No:

Product Use: Soil Conditioner
Restrictions of Use: Refer to Section 15

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Section 2. Hazards Identification

This substance is hazardous according to the EPA Hazardous Substances (Classification) Notice 2020

EPA Approval No: Additives, Process Chemicals and Raw Materials (Flammable) – HSR002495

Pictograms







Signal Word: WARNING

GHS Classification and Category	Hazard Code	Hazard Statement
Flammable Liquids Cat. 3	H226	Flammable liquid and vapour.
Eye irritation Cat. 2	H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
Reproductive toxicity Cat. 2	H361	Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
Hazardous to terrestrial vertebrates	H433	Hazardous to terrestrial vertebrates.

Prevention Code Prevention Statement

P103	Read carefully and follow all instructions.
P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P210	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
P233	Keep container tightly closed.

P240	Ground and bond container and receiving equipment.
P241	Use explosion-proof [electrical, ventilating and lighting] equipment
P242	Use non-sparking tools.
P243	Take action to prevent static discharge.
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective clothing as detailed in Section 8.
P281	Use personal protective equipment as required.

Response Code Response Statement

P303 +	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated
P361+P353	clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P305 +	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove
P351+P338	contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P308 + P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
D270 + D270	In case of fire: Use water fog, foam, dry chemical powder or Carbon dioxide
P370 + P378	(CO2) to extinguish.

Storage Code Storage Statement

P405	Store locked up.
P403 + P235	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.

Disposal Code Disposal Statement

P501	Refer to Section 13.
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Section 3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

Ingredients	Wt%	CAS NUMBER.
Alcohol Ethoxylate	15 - 25	84133-50-6
Orange Oil	5 - 15	8028-48-6
Proprietary Mixture ¹ (including Ethanol (Ethyl alcohol) [64-17-5]	Proprietary	Proprietary

Composition Comments:

Section 4. First Aid Measures

Routes of Exposure:

If in Eyes Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if

present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get

medical advice/attention.

If on Skin Remove contaminated clothing immediately and wash skin with soap and

water. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. If skin irritation occurs:

Get medical advice/ attention.

If Swallowed Rinse out the mouth. Never give anything to an unconscious person. Seek

medical assistance if needed.

If Inhaled Remove person to fresh air. Remove contaminated clothing and loosen

remaining clothing. Allow person to assume most comfortable position and keep warm. Keep at rest until fully recovered. Get medical advice if

breathing becomes difficult.

¹ Components CAS numbers and ingredient concentrations are either non-hazardous or have been withheld as trade secret.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms: Severe eye irritation. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness,

swelling, and blurred vision. Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn

child.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Thermal burns: Flush with water immediately. While flushing, remove clothes which do not adhere to affected area. Call an ambulance. Continue flushing during transport to hospital. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.

General information

Take off all contaminated clothing immediately. If exposed or concerned: get medical attention/advice. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Section 5.	Fire Fighting Measures

Hazard Type	Flammable liquid or vapour. Does not sustain combustion.
Hazards from combustion	During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.
products	
Suitable	Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO2).
Extinguishing	Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.
media	
Precautions for	Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be
firefighters and	worn in case of fire. In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe
special protective	fumes. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Use
clothing	standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other
	involved materials.
HAZCHEM CODE	3Y

Section 6. Accidental Release Measures

Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean—up. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them.

Avoid release to the environment. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Keep combustibles (wood, paper, oil, etc.) away from spilled material. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Use only non-sparking tools. Prevent product from entering drains

Large Spills: Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible. Cover with plastic sheet to prevent spreading. Absorb in vermiculite, dry sand or earth and place into containers. Prevent product from entering drains. Following product recovery, flush area with water.

Small Spills: Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Never return spills to original containers for re-use. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.

Section 7. Handling and Storage

Handling

- Read carefully and follow all instructions.
- Obtain special instructions before use.
- Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
- Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
- Keep container tightly closed.
- Ground and bond container and receiving equipment.
- Use explosion-proof [electrical, ventilating and lighting] equipment
- Use non-sparking tools.
- Take action to prevent static discharge.
- · Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
- Avoid release to the environment.
- Wear protective clothing as detailed in Section 8.
- Use personal protective equipment as required.
- Protect material from direct sunlight.
- Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid prolonged exposure.
- Pregnant or breastfeeding women must not handle this product.
- Should be handled in closed systems, if possible.
- Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

Storage

- Store away from incompatible materials listed in Section 10.
- Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool out of direct sunlight.
- Store in original tightly closed container.
- Keep in an area equipped with sprinklers.

Section 8 Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

WORKPLACE EXPOSURE STANDARDS (provided for guidance only)

Substance	TWA ppm mg/m³	STEL ppm mg/m ³
Ethanol (Ethyl alcohol) [64-17-5]	1000 1880	

Workplace Exposure Standard – Time Weighted Average (WES-TWA). The time-weighted average exposure standard designed to protect the worker from the effects of long-term exposure. Workplace Exposure Standard – Short-Term Exposure Limit (WESSTEL). The 15-minute average exposure standard. Applies to any 15- Minute period in the working day and is designed to protect the worker against adverse effects of irritation, chronic or irreversible tissue change, or narcosis that may increase the likelihood of accidents. The WES-STEL is not an alternative to the WES-TWA; both the short-term and time-weighted average exposures apply. Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices APRIL 2022 13TH EDITION.

Engineering Controls

Explosion-proof general and local exhaust ventilation. Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. Provide easy access to water supply and eye wash facilities.

Personal Protective Equipment



Eyes Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles). Wear face shield if there is risk of splashes.

Hands and Skin	Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves. Suitable gloves can be recommended by the glove supplier. Wear suitable protective clothing. Use of an impervious apron is recommended. Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.
Respiratory	When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit, they must use appropriate certified respirators. Chemical respirator with organic vapor cartridge and full-face piece.
Hygiene	Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

Section 9 Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance	Liquid
Colour	Green
Odour	Citrus
Odour Threshold	Not available
pH	6.8 – 7.8
Boiling Point	40.6°C
Melting/Freezing Point	Not available
Flash Point	Not available
Flammability	Flammable
Upper and Lower	Not available
Explosive Limits	
Vapour Pressure	Not available
Density @ 20°C	Not available
Relative Density	0.98 - 1.02 (Water = 1)
Solubilities	Not available
Partition Coefficient:	Not available
Auto-ignition	Not available
Temperature	
Decomposition	Not available
Temperature	
Viscosity	80 - 150 mpas
Particle Characteristics	Not available

Section 10. Stability and Reactivity

Stability of Substance	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.	
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.	
	Avoid temperatures exceeding the flash point. Contact with	
	incompatible materials.	
Hazardous Reactions	No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.	
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents.	
Hazardous Decomposition	Thermal decomposition of this product can generate carbon	
Products	monoxide and carbon dioxide. Sulphur oxides. Sodium oxides.	

Section 11 Toxicological Information

Acute Effects:

Swallowed	Not applicable. > 5000 mg/kg, (rat) (OECD 425)
Dermal	Not applicable. > 2000 mg/kg, (rat) (OECD 402)

Inhalation	Harmful if inhaled. > 3.69 mg/l, (rat) (OECD 403)	
Eye	Causes serious eye irritation. Exposed individuals may experience eye	
	tearing, redness, and discomfort.	
Skin	Not applicable.	

Chronic Effects:

Carcinogenicity	Not applicable.	
Reproductive	Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.	
Toxicity		
Germ Cell	Not applicable.	
Mutagenicity		
Aspiration	Not applicable.	
STOT/SE	Not applicable.	
STOT/RE	Not applicable.	

Section 12. Ecotoxicological Information

Product:		
Persistence and degradability	y No data is available on the degradability of this product.	
Bioaccumulation	No data available on bioaccumulation.	
Mobility in Soil	No data available for this product.	
Other adverse effects	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone	
	depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential,	
	endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are	
	expected from this component.	

Ecotoxicity

Toxic to aquatic life. Hazardous to terrestrial vertebrates.

Product		Species	Test Results
OROBOOST (CAS mixture)	5		
Algae	EC50	Pseudokirchnerella subcapitata	3.38 mg/l, 72 hours
Crustacea	EC50	Daphnia	13.4 mg/l, 48 hours
Fish	LC50	Zebrafish (Danio rerio)	20.5 mg/l, 96 hours

Do not allow to enter waterways.

Section 13. Disposal Considerations

Disposal Method:

Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

Precautions and methods to avoid:

Do not allow this material to drain into sewers/water supplies. Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with chemical or used container.

Section 14 Transport Information

This product is NOT classified as a Dangerous Good for transport in NZ; NZS 5433:2020 and SNZ HB 5433:2021

Test results from Sustained Combustion testing (L.2 of Part 3 section 32 of UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Manual of Tests and Criteria) indicate that this material does not sustain combustion. At the discretion of the shipper, this material is

not subject to 49 CFR 173.120(a), IATA DGR section 3.3.1 or IMDG Code chapter 2.3.1.2. Reference 49 CFR 173.120(b)(3), IATA DGR section 3.3.1.3(a) or IMDG Code chapter 2.3.1.3.1.

Section 15 Regulatory Information

This substance is hazardous according to the EPA Hazardous Substances (Classification) Notice 2020

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Trigger quantities:

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HSWA & EPA Controls	Trigger Quantity
Certified Handler	Not required
Location Certificate	500L (>5L), 1500L(<5L), 250L open
Tracking Trigger Quantities	Not required
Signage Trigger Quantities	1000L
Emergency Response Plan	10 000L
Secondary Containment	10 000L
Fire Extinguishers	500L = 2x
Restriction of Use	None

Section 16 Other Information

Glossary

Cat Category

EC50 Median effective concentration.
EEL Environmental Exposure Limit.
EPA Environmental Protection Authority

HSNO Hazardous Substances and New Organisms.

 LC_{50} Lethal concentration that will kill 50% of the test organisms

inhaling or ingesting it.

LD₅₀ Lethal dose to kill 50% of test animals/organisms.

LEL Lower explosive level.

OSHA American Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

TEL Tolerable Exposure Limit.

TLV Threshold Limit Value-an exposure limit set by responsible

authority.

UEL Upper Explosive Level WES Workplace Exposure Limit

References:

- 1. EPA Hazardous Substances (Safety Data Sheets) Notice 2017
- 2. Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices Nov 2022 edition.
- 3. Assigning a hazardous substance to a HSNO Approval (Aug 2013).
- 4. Transport of Dangerous goods on land NZS 5433:2020
- 5. HSW (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017

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