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# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Digestion Solution for COD 0-150 ppm Range

Catalog Number: 2125815

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Emergency Telephone Numbers: (Medical and Transportation) (303) 623-5716 24 Hour Service

(515)232-2533

8am - 4pm CST

MSDS Number: M00486 Chemical Name: Not applicable CAS No.: Not applicable

Chemical Formula: Not applicable Chemical Family: Not applicable

Hazard: Toxic. Causes severe burns. Cumulative poison. Causes asthma Causes damage to the nasal epithelia and skin

Causes lung cancer

Date of MSDS Preparation:

Day: 03
Month: May
Year: 2006

## 2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Mercuric Sulfate

CAS No.: 7783-35-9 Contains Mercury. Dispose Per Local, State or Federal Laws.

TSCA CAS Number: 7783-35-9 Percent Range: 0.1 - 1.0

Percent Range Units: weight / weight

**LD50:** Oral rat  $LD_{50} = 57 \text{ mg/kg}$ ; Oral mouse  $LD_{50} = 25 \text{ mg/kg}$ .

LC50: None reported TLV: 0.05 mg/m³ (Hg) PEL: 0.1 mg/m³ (Hg)

Hazard: Poison. Cumulative poison. Causes burns. Experimental teratogen.

Demineralized Water

CAS No.: 7732-18-5

TSCA CAS Number: 7732-18-5 Percent Range: 15.0 - 25.0

Percent Range Units: weight / weight

LD50: None reported LC50: None reported TLV: Not established PEL: Not established

Hazard: No effects anticipated.

Chromic Acid

CAS No.: 13530-68-2

TSCA CAS Number: 13530-68-2 Percent Range: 0.01 - 0.1

Percent Range Units: weight / weight

LD50: None reported

*LC50*: Inhalation human TCLo =  $110 \mu g/m^3$  TLV:  $0.05 \text{ mg/m}^3$  ( $0.0235 \text{ ppm as Cr}^{+6}$ )

PEL: 5 μg/m³ (0.00235 ppm Cr<sup>+6</sup>), 8 Hr TWA; Action Level is 2.5 μg/m³ (0.00117 ppm), 8 Hr TWA

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Hazard: Highly toxic. Causes severe burns. Oxidizer. Causes asthma Causes damage to the nasal epithelia and skin Causes lung cancer

Silver Sulfate

CAS No.: 10294-26-5

TSCA CAS Number: 10294-26-5

Percent Range: 0.5 - 3.0

Percent Range Units: weight / weight

LD50: None reported LC50: None reported TLV: 0.01 mg/m³ (Ag) PEL: 0.01 mg/m³ (Ag)

Hazard: Toxic properties unknown. May cause irritation.

Sulfuric Acid

CAS No.: 7664-93-9

TSCA CAS Number: 7664-93-9 Percent Range: 80.0 - 90.0

Percent Range Units: weight / weight LD50: Oral rat LD50 = 2140 mg/kg. LC50: Inhalation rat LC50 = 87 ppm/4 hr TLV: 1 mg/m³ (TWA); 3 mg/m³ (STEL)

PEL: 1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Hazard: Causes severe burns. Harmful if inhaled. Recognized carcinogen.

#### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview:

Appearance: Turbid, light orange liquid

Odor: Not determined

MAY BE FATAL IF SWALLOWED CAUSES SEVERE BURNS HARMFUL IF INHALED OR ABSORBED THROUGH SKIN

CANCER HAZARD CONTAINS MATERIAL WHICH CAN CAUSE CANCER CAN CAUSE KIDNEY AND CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM EFFECTS

HMIS:

Health: 3\*
Flammability: 0
Reactivity: 2

Protective Equipment: X - See protective equipment, Section 8.

NFPA:

Health: 3 Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 2

Symbol: Water Reactive Potential Health Effects:

Eye Contact: Causes severe burns Skin Contact: Causes severe burns

Skin Absorption: Will be absorbed through the skin. Effects similar to those of ingestion

Target Organs: Central nervous system Kidneys

Ingestion: Causes: severe burns May cause: abdominal pain circulatory disturbances diarrhea loosening of the teeth nausea vomiting rapid pulse and respirations toxic nephritis (inflammation of the kidneys) shock collapse kidney damage death

Target Organs: Central nervous system Kidneys

Inhalation: Toxic. Causes: severe burns May cause: difficult breathing mouth soreness teeth erosion Effects similar to those of ingestion. Inhalation of mists / sprays: Causes asthma Causes damage to the nasal epithelia Causes, lung cancer

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Target Organs: Central nervous system Kidneys Lungs Teeth Nasal cavity

**Medical Conditions Aggravated:** Pre-existing: Eye conditions Skin conditions Respiratory conditions Allergies or sensitivity to chromates or chromic acid. Allergies or sensitivity to mercury.

Chronic Effects: Chronic overexposure may cause destruction of any tissue contacted erosion of the teeth mouth soreness chronic irritation or inflammation of the lungs accumulation of silver in body tissues which causes a slate-gray to bluish discoloration. Chromate and dichromate salts may cause ulceration and perforation of the nasal septum, severe liver damage, central nervous system effects, and lung cancer. Mercury is a general protoplasmic poison; it circulates in the blood and is stored in the liver, kidneys, spleen and bones. Main symptoms are sore mouth, tremors and psychic disturbances.

Cancer / Reproductive Toxicity Information:

An ingredient of this product is an OSHA listed carcinogen.

Hexavalent chromium (Cr<sup>6</sup>) compounds

An ingredient of this mixture is: IARC Group 1: Recognized Carcinogen

Hexavalent Chromium Compounds Sulfuric Acid - The IARC evaluation was based on exposure to the mist or vapor of concentrated sulfuric acid generated during chemical processes.

An ingredient of this mixture is: NTP Listed Group 1: Recognized Carcinogen

Hexavalent Chromium Compounds

Additional Cancer / Reproductive Toxicity Information: Contains: an experimental teratogen.

Toxicologically Synergistic Products: None reported

## 4. FIRST AID

Eye Contact: Immediately flush eyes with water for 15 minutes. Call physician.

Skin Contact (First Aid): Wash skin with plenty of water for 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing. Call physician immediately.

Ingestion (First Aid): Do not induce vomiting. Give large quantities of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Call physician immediately.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if necessary. Call physician.

#### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable Properties: Not Flammable, but reacts with most metals to form flammable hydrogen gas. During a fire, corrosive and toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition.

Flash Point: Not applicable Method: Not applicable Flammability Limits:

Lower Explosion Limits: Not applicable Upper Explosion Limits: Not applicable Autoignition Temperature: Not applicable

Hazardous Combustion Products: This material will not burn.

Fire / Explosion Hazards: Contact with metals gives off hydrogen gas which is flammable May react violently with: strong bases water

Static Discharge: None reported.

Mechanical Impact: None reported

Extinguishing Media: Use media appropriate to surrounding fire conditions

Fire Fighting Instruction: As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand and full protective gear. Evacuate area and fight fire from a safe distance. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. Dike and collect water used to fight fire.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Spill Response Notice:

Only persons properly qualified to respond to an emergency involving hazardous substances may respond to a spill according to federal regulations (OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120(a)(v)) and per your company's emergency response plan and guidelines/procedures. See Section 13, Special Instructions for disposal assistance.

Containment Technique: Releases of this material may contaminate the environment. Absorb spilled liquid with non-reactive sorbent material. Stop spilled material from being released to the environment. Dike the spill to contain material for later disposal.

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Clean-up Technique: Mercury and its compounds are extremely toxic! Be extremely careful not to contact the spill or breathe any vapors. Absorb spilled liquid with non-reactive sorbent material. Dispose of all mercury contaminated material at an E.P.A. hazardous waste facility. Dispose of material in an E.P.A. approved hazardous waste facility. Decontaminate area with commercially available mercury absorbing compounds.

Evacuation Procedure: Evacuate general area (50 foot radius or as directed by your facility's emergency response plan) when: any quantity is spilled. Deny access to unnecessary and unprotected personnel. Remain up-wind from spilled material. If conditions warrant, increase the size of the evacuation.

**Special Instructions (for accidental release):** Product is regulated as RCRA hazardous waste. Product is regulated as a hazardous air pollutant. Product is regulated as a hazardous water pollutant.

304 EHS RQ (40 CFR 355): Sulfuric Acid - RQ 1000 lbs.

D.O.T. Emergency Response Guide Number: 137

## 7. HANDLING / STORAGE

Handling: Avoid contact with eyes skin clothing Do not breathe mist or vapors. Use with adequate ventilation.

Maintain general industrial hygiene practices when using this product.

Storage: Protect from: light contamination by organic materials (will affect product stability) heat

Flammability Class: Not applicable

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Engineering Controls: Have an eyewash station nearby. Have a safety shower nearby. Use a fume hood to avoid exposure to dust, mist or vapor. Maintain general industrial hygiene practices when using this product. Refer to the OSHA Standard at 29CFR1910.1026 for Cr (VI) (See Federal Register 28 February 2006 Page 10100.)

Personal Protective Equipment:

Eye Protection: chemical splash goggles Skin Protection: disposable latex gloves lab coat Inhalation Protection: laboratory fume hood

Precautionary Measures: Avoid contact with: eyes skin clothing Do not breathe: mist/vapor Wash thoroughly after handling. Use with adequate ventilation. Protect from: light organic materials heat Keep away from: alkalies metals other combustible materials oxidizers reducers

TLV: Not established.  $0.05 \text{ mg/m}^3$  (0.0235 ppm as  $\text{Cr}^{+6}$ ).

PEL: Not established. 5  $\mu$ g/m³ (0.00235 ppm Cr<sup>+6</sup>), 8 Hr TWA; Action Level is 2.5  $\mu$ g/m³ (0.00117 ppm), 8 Hr TWA.

## 9. PHYSICAL / CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance: Turbid, light orange liquid

Physical State: Liquid

Molecular Weight: Not applicable

Odor: Not determined

pH: < 0.5

Vapor Pressure: Not determined Vapor Density (air = 1): Not determined Boiling Point: ~105°C (~221°F) Melting Point: Not applicable Specific Gravity (water = 1): ~1.78

Evaporation Rate (water = 1): Not determined

Volatile Organic Compounds Content: Not applicable Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water): Not applicable

Solubility:

Water: Miscible
Acid: Not determined
Other: Not determined
Metal Corrosivity:

Steel: Corrosive
Aluminum: Corrosive

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Chemical Stability: Stable when stored under proper conditions.

Conditions to Avoid: Exposure to light or contamination by organic materials will affect this product's stability.

Reactivity / Incompatibility: May react violently in contact with: caustics

Hazardous Decomposition: Heating to decomposition releases toxic and/or corrosive fumes of: mercury compounds

sulfur oxides

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

#### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Product Toxicological Data:

**LD50:** Oral rat (male)  $LD_{50} = 428$  mg/kg; Oral rat (female)  $LD_{50} = 360$  mg/kg.

LC50: None reported

Dermal Toxicity Data: None reported Skin and Eye Irritation Data: None reported

Mutation Data: None reported

Reproductive Effects Data: None reported

Ingredient Toxicological Data: Sulfuric Acid: Oral rat LD<sub>50</sub> = 2140 mg/kg; Mercuric Sulfate: Oral rat LD<sub>50</sub> = 57 mg/kg,

Oral mouse  $LD_{50} = 25 \text{ mg/kg}$ .

#### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Product Ecological Information: --

No ecological data available for this product.

Ingredient Ecological Information: --

No ecological data available for the ingredients of this product.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

EPA Waste ID Number: D002, D007, D009, D011

Special Instructions (Disposal): Dispose of all mercury contaminated material at an E.P.A. hazardous waste facility.

Dispose of material in an E.P.A. approved hazardous waste facility.

Empty Containers: Rinse three times with an appropriate solvent. Dispose of empty container as normal trash. Rinsate

from empty containers may contain sufficient product to require disposal as hazardous waste.

NOTICE (Disposal): These disposal guidelines are based on federal regulations and may be superseded by more stringent state or local requirements. Please consult your local environmental regulators for more information.

#### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

D.O.T.:

D.O.T. Proper Shipping Name: Sulphuric Acid

DOT Hazard Class: 8 DOT Subsidiary Risk: NA DOT ID Number: UN1830 DOT Packing Group: II

I.C.A.O.:

I.C.A.O. Proper Shipping Name: Sulphuric Acid

ICAO Hazard Class: 8 ICAO Subsidiary Risk: NA ICAO ID Number: UN1830 ICAO Packing Group: II

I.M.O.:

I.M.O. Proper Shipping Name: Sulphuric Acid

I.M.O. Hazard Class: 8

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I.M.O. Subsidiary Risk: NA I.M.O. ID Number: UN1830 I.M.O. Packing Group: II

Additional Information: This product may be shipped as part of a chemical kit composed of various compatible dangerous goods for analytical or testing purposes. This kit would have the following classification: Proper Shipping

Name: Chemical Kit Hazard Class: 9 UN Number 3316

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### U.S. Federal Regulations:

O.S.H.A.: This product meets the criteria for a hazardous substance as defined in the Hazard Communication Standard. (29 CFR 1910.1200)

#### E.P.A.:

S.A.R.A. Title III Section 311/312 Categorization (40 CFR 370): Immediate (Acute) Health Hazard Delayed (Chronic) Health Hazard Reactive

S.A.R.A. Title III Section 313 (40 CFR 372): This product contains a chemical(s) subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of Title III of SARA.

Mercury compounds, Silver compounds, Sulfuric acid (acid aerosols including mists, vapors, gas, fog and other airborne forms).

302 (EHS) TPQ (40 CFR 355): Sulfuric Acid 1000 lbs.

304 CERCLA RQ (40 CFR 302.4): Chromic acid and Mercuric sulfate (each) = 10 lbs. Sulfuric Acid 1000 lbs. 304 EHS RQ (40 CFR 355): Sulfuric Acid - RQ 1000 lbs.

Clean Water Act (40 CFR 116.4): Chromic acid - RQ 10 lbs. Mercuric sulfate - RQ = 10 lbs. (4.54 kgs.) Sulfuric acid - RQ 1000 lbs.

RCRA: Contains RCRA regulated substances. See Section 13, EPA Waste ID Number.

C.P.S.C.: The label for this product bears the signal word "POISON" because the concentration of Sulfuric Acid in the product is greater than/equal to 10%.

#### State Regulations:

California Prop. 65: WARNING - This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer. WARNING - This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

Identification of Prop. 65 Ingredient(s): Chromium (hexavalent compounds); Mercury and mercury compounds. Trade Secret Registry: Not applicable

National Inventories:

U.S. Inventory Status: All ingredients in this product are listed on the TSCA 8(b) Inventory (40 CFR 710).
TSCA CAS Number: Not applicable

#### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Intended Use: Determination of Chemical Oxygen Demand

References: 29 CFR 1900 - 1910 (Code of Federal Regulations - Labor). Air Contaminants, Federal Register, Vol. 54, No. 12. Thursday, January 19, 1989. pp. 2332-2983. Cassaret and Doull's Toxicology, 3rd Ed. New York: Macmillan Publishing Co., Inc., 1986. CCINFO RTECS. Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety. Hamilton, Ontario Canada: 30 June 1993. Fire Protection Guide on Hazardous Materials, 10th Ed. Quincy, MA: National Fire Protection Fire Protection Guide on Hazardous Materials, 10th Ed. Quincy, MA: National Fire Protection Association, 1991. IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of the Carcinogenic Risks to Humans. World Health Organization (Volumes 1-42) Supplement 7. France: 1987. List of Dangerous Substances Classified in Annex I of the EEC Directive (67/548) - Classification, Packaging and Labeling of Dangerous Substances, Amended July 1992. Outside Testing. Sixth Annual Report on Carcinogens, 1991. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Rockville, MD: Technical Resources, Inc. 1991. Technical Judgment. TLV's Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure Indices for 1992-1993. American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, 1992. Verschueren, Karel. Handbook of Environmental Data on Organic Chemicals. New York: Van Nostrand Reinhold Co., 1977.

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#### Legend:

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ND - Not Determined NV - Not Available w/v - weight/volume v/v - volume/volume

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