# GUIDE SUBSTANCES - TOXIC (NON-COMBUSTIBLE) 151

# POTENTIAL HAZARDS

# HEALTH

- Highly toxic, may be fatal if inhaled, ingested or absorbed through skin.
- · Avoid any skin contact.
- Fire may produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases.
- Runoff from fire control or dilution water may be corrosive and/or toxic and cause environmental contamination.

# FIRE OR EXPLOSION

- Non-combustible, substance itself does not burn but may decompose upon heating to produce corrosive and/or toxic fumes.
- · Containers may explode when heated.
- Runoff may pollute waterways.

# PUBLIC SAFETY

- CALL 911. Then call emergency response telephone number on shipping paper. If shipping paper not available or no answer, refer to appropriate telephone number listed on the inside back cover.
- · Keep unauthorized personnel away.
- Stay upwind, uphill and/or upstream.

# PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

- · Wear positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).
- Wear chemical protective clothing that is specifically recommended by the manufacturer when there is NO RISK OF FIRE.
- · Structural firefighters' protective clothing provides thermal protection but only limited chemical protection.

# EVACUATION

#### Immediate precautionary measure

 Isolate spill or leak area in all directions for at least 50 meters (150 feet) for liquids and at least 25 meters (75 feet) for solids.

# Spill

- For highlighted materials: see Table 1 Initial Isolation and Protective Action Distances.
- For non-highlighted materials: increase the immediate precautionary measure distance, in the downwind direction, as necessary.

#### Fire

 If tank, rail tank car or highway tank is involved in a fire, ISOLATE for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions; also, consider initial evacuation for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions.

# **EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

# FIRE

# Small Fire

• Dry chemical, CO<sub>2</sub> or water spray.

# Large Fire

- Water spray, fog or regular foam.
- If it can be done safely, move undamaged containers away from the area around the fire.
- · Dike runoff from fire control for later disposal.
- · Avoid aiming straight or solid streams directly onto the product.

# Fire Involving Tanks, Rail Tank Cars or Highway Tanks

- · Fight fire from maximum distance or use unmanned master stream devices or monitor nozzles.
- · Do not get water inside containers.
- · Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out.
- · Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety devices or discoloration of tank.
- · ALWAYS stay away from tanks in direct contact with flames.
- For massive fire, use unmanned master stream devices or monitor nozzles; if this is impossible, withdraw from area and let fire burn.

# SPILL OR LEAK

- · Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing.
- Stop leak if you can do it without risk.
- · Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or confined areas.
- · Cover with plastic sheet to prevent spreading.
- · Absorb or cover with dry earth, sand or other non-combustible material and transfer to containers.
- · DO NOT GET WATER INSIDE CONTAINERS.
- · For solids, prevent dust cloud and avoid inhalation of dust.

# FIRST AID

# Refer to the "General First Aid" section.



In Canada, an Emergency Response Assistance Plan (ERAP) may be required for this product. Please consult the shipping paper and/or the "ERAP" section.

