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Regulatory Status:
None of the components present in this preparation at concentrations equal to or greater than 0.1% are listed by IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH as a carcinogen.

SECTION 1: PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT NAME: Absorb! Super Absorbent Solidifier
DESCRIPTION: Dry, white, granular, odorless polymer

PRODUCT USE: Solidification of liquid medical waste
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SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview
Sodium polyacrylate is a white, granular, odorless polymer that yields a gel-like material with the addition of water. It is insoluble in water and causes extremely slippery conditions when wet. Although not regulated as a hazardous material, the respirable dust is a potential respiratory tract irritant. An eight-hour exposure limit of 0.05 mg/m³ is recommended.

Potential Health Effects: Eyes
Dust may cause burning, drying, itching, and other discomfort, resulting in reddening of the eyes.

Potential Health Effects: Skin
Exposure to the dust, such as in manufacturing, may aggravate existing skin conditions due to drying effect.

Potential Health Effects: Ingestion
Although not a likely route of entry, tests have shown that polyacrylate absorbents are non-toxic if ingested. However, as in any instance of non-food consumption, seek medical attention in the event of any adverse symptoms.

Potential Health Effects: Inhalation
Exposure to respirable dust may cause respiratory tract and lung irritation and may aggravate existing respiratory conditions.

HMIS Ratings: Health: 1 Fire: 0 Reactivity: 0
Hazard Scale: 0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe * = Chronic Hazard

SECTION 3: COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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Component Information / Information on Non-Hazardous Components
The components of this product are not regulated as hazardous under 29 CFR and 49 CFR. However, the potential for respiratory tract irritation as a result of inhalation of this material as a respirable dust is recognized. See Sections 8, 11, 14, and 15 for further regulatory information.

SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

Primary routes of entry: Eye and skin contact; ingestion; inhalation & skin absorption.
Medical condition aggravated by exposure: Eyes/skin hypersensitivity

EYES: Immediately flush with plenty of water. Remove particles remaining under the eyelids. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

SKIN: Remove polyacrylate absorbent dust from skin using soap and water.

INGESTION: Non-toxic by ingestion. However, if adverse symptoms appear, seek medical attention.

INHALATION: If inhaled, move to source of fresh air. Seek medical attention if symptoms persist.
SECTION 5: FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

GENERAL INFORMATION: No recognized fire hazards associated with the finished product. As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear.

FLASH POINT: NA
AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE: NA
HAZARD CLASSIFICATION: None

HEALTH: 1 FLAMMABILITY: 0 REACTIVITY: 0 SPECIAL: 

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: Dry chemical foam, carbon dioxide, and water fog. Extremely slippery conditions are created if spilled product comes into contact with water.

SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES: Firefighters should wear full protective clothing including self-contained breathing apparatus.

UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS: None.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Temperatures above 200°C. Thermal decomposition can give toxic products, organic derivatives, and carbon monoxide.

SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions: Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Prohibit inhalation of dust.

Spill and Leak Procedures: Sweep or vacuum material when possible and shovel into a waste container. Use caution after contact of product with water, as extremely slippery conditions will result. Residuals maybe flushed with water into the drain for normal wastewater treatment. This is a non-hazardous waste suitable for disposal in an approved solid waste landfill.

Environmental Precautions: Product becomes slippery when it absorbs water. Do not release into the environment. Do not let large amounts of product enter drains.

SECTION 7: HANDLING & STORAGE

HANDLING & STORAGE: Handle as an eye and respiratory tract irritant. Store in a dry, closed container.

OTHER PRECAUTIONS: None.

SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Guidelines
A: General Product Information
This product is not regulated as a hazardous material. However, the manufacturer recognizes the potential for respiratory tract irritation and recommends an eight-hour exposure limit of 0.05 mg/m³.

B: Component Exposure Limits
No information available.

Engineering Controls
Provide local exhaust ventilation to maintain worker exposure to less than 0.05 mg/m³ over an eight-hour period.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Personal Protective Equipment: Eyes/Face
Wear safety glasses with side shields or goggles when handling product in the manufacturing environment.

Personal Protective Equipment: Skin
Use impervious gloves when handling the product in the manufacturing environment.

Personal Protective Equipment: Respiratory
Wear respirator with a high efficiency filter is particulate concentration in the work area exceeds 0.05 mg/m³ over an eight hour time period.

Personal Protective Equipment: General
Obey reasonable safety precautions and practice good housekeeping. Wash thoroughly after handling.

SECTION 9: PHYSICAL/CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Appearance: White Granular Powder
Odor: None
Physical State: Solid
Specific Gravity (Bulk Density): 0.62 – 0.74 g/ml
Melting Point: > 330 ºC
Solubility in Water: Swells in water
Auto-Ignition Temperature: > 400 ºC
pH: 6 - 8
SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

STABILITY: This material is chemically stable under normal and anticipated storage and handling conditions.

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Store protected from moisture. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

INCOMPATIBILITY (MATERIAL TO AVOID): None

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION OR BY-PRODUCTS: Decomposition above 200°C. Thermal decomposition can give toxic byproducts, organic vapors, and carbon monoxide.

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION: Will not occur.

SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute and Chronic Toxicity

General Product Information:

- Corrosiveness: None (rabbit)\(^1\)
- Acute oral toxicity: LD\(_{50}\) rat > 1600 mg/kg, LD\(_{50}\) mouse > 3200 mg/kg,\(^1\)
- Skin irritation: Not an irritant (human, rabbit)\(^1\)
- Eye irritation: Not an irritant (rabbit)\(^1\)
- Vaginal Mucosal Irritation: Not an irritant (dog)\(^1\)
- Ames Mutagenicity Test: Ames test is negative, using Salmonella typhimurium (TA98, TA100, TA1535 and TA1537) and Escherichia coli (WP2uvrA)\(^1\)
- Skin Contact sensitization: Non-sensitizing (Guinea pig)\(^1\)
- Symptoms of Exposure: Dust may cause eye, nasal, or bronchial irritation

\(^1\) = data of contracted outside laboratory

Carcinogenicity:
Component Carcinogenicity
No information is available.

Chronic Toxicity
Chronic inhalation exposure to rates for a lifetime (two years) using sodium polyacrylate that had been micronized to a respirable particle size (less than 10 microns) produced non-specific inflammation and chronic lung injury at 0.2 mg/m\(^3\) and 0.8 mg/m\(^3\). Also, at 0.8 mg/m\(^3\), tumors were seen in some test animals. In the absence of chronic inflammation, tumors are not expected. There were no adverse effects detected at 0.05 mg/m\(^3\).

SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity
A: General Product Information
Composted polyacrylate absorbents are non-toxic to aquatic or terrestrial organisms at predicted exposure levels.

B: Component Analysis – Ecotoxicity – Aquatic Toxicity
No information available.

Environmental Fate
Polyacrylate absorbents are relatively inert in aerobic and anaerobic conditions. They are immobile in landfills and soil systems (> 90% retention), with the mobile fraction showing biodegradability. They are also compatible with incineration of municipal solid waste. Incidental down-the-drain disposal of small quantities of polyacrylic absorbents will not affect the performance of wastewater treatment systems.

SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

US EPA Waste Number & Descriptions
A: General Product Information
This product is a non-hazardous waste material suitable for approved solid waste landfills.

B: Component Waste Numbers
No EPA Waste Numbers are applicable for this product’s components.

Disposal Instructions
Dispose of in accordance with Local, State, and Federal Regulations.
SECTION 14: TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

International Transportation Regulations:
This product is not a hazardous material and is not regulated by the Department of Transportation.

SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

US Federal Regulations
A: General Product Information
   This product is not federally regulated as a hazardous material.
B: Clean Air Act
   No information is available.
C: Food and Drug Administration
   No information available.
D: Food and Drug Administration
   No information available.

Component Analysis – Inventories
   TSCA (USA) Conforms, not listed
   EINECS (EC) Conforms
   ENCS (Japan) Conforms
   CEPA (Canada) All substances listed under the DSL or not required
   WHMIS (Canada) Not a controlled product under this directive

SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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