

**AN INVESTIGATION OF THE SENSITIVITY OF HIGH ARCTIC PERMAFROST TO  
CLIMATE CHANGE SPILL CONTINGENCY PLAN: GROUND ICE SURVEYS  
(Date prepared MAY4, 2010)**

***Introduction and Project Details***

As part of research licenced under Nunavut Research Licence #02 053 10R-M (NIRB file [070321-07YN019-NRI Licence2-IMAE.doc](#)) concerned with the impact of climate change on High Arctic Permafrost I propose to conduct a brief period of fieldwork on the Fosheim Peninsula (Ellesmere Island) located within the area covered by NTS map 49G (attached). The primary aim of this research is to map areas of massive ground ice using ground penetrating radar (GPR). GPR is an environmentally safe, non-invasive geophysical tool that has been used with great success in the Mackenzie Delta to map ground ice but has had limited use in high Arctic polar desert like the Eureka area. The proposed field work will take place in 2 parts, first we will conduct preliminary surveys in the Eureka area based at the Eureka Weather Station followed by a 7-9 day fly camp (tentatively scheduled for July 7-14) at a nearby site (see map) identified following helicopter reconnaissance. I have previously mapped several sites where melting permafrost has exposed large bodies of ground ice. The camp will very small and will include only 4 persons, 5 small tents (4 sleeping tents and 1 cook tent) and a 1kW generator to charge batteries. We will take in our drinking water and use water from a local stream for washing. A grey water sump will be used and all garbage and human waste will be removed. The only hazardous materials on site will be 5 gallons of gasoline for the generator and a 20lb cylinder of propane for the stove. The generator and gas can will be kept on a spill tray as well we will have a 1 Can-Ross hand held SK-SBOPTRK spill kit with a Sorbent Capacity of 30 litres / 6.6 gallons on site.

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***Purpose and Scope***

The purpose of this plan is to outline response actions for potential spills of any size for the "Pollard" research camp on the Fosheim Peninsula, Ellesmere Island. The plan identifies key response personnel and their roles and responsibilities in the event of a spill. It details spill response procedures that will minimize potential health and safety hazards, environmental damage and clean-up efforts. The plan has been prepared to ensure quick access to all information required in responding to a spill.

***Project description***

The project consists of a series of ground penetrating radar (GPR) surveys to determine the nature and extent of ground ice in permafrost. GPR is widely used to map shallow soil structures and is widely recognized as one of the most environmentally friendly

(non-invasive) research tools. We are using 2 different types of GPR and a range of survey designs to better assess its capability to detect and map massive ground ice. Ground ice is one of the most important geological components of permafrost and its disturbance is a major concern in relation to climate change and to northern development. The high Arctic polar desert around Eureka has additional challenges in that the sediment surrounding the ice contain salt, so part of our project aims is to account for GPR signal attenuation due to the electrical properties of salt.

### ***Site Description***

The planned camp will be located approximately 15-20 km south of Eureka on the Fosheim Peninsula (NTS Map 49G attached). The final camp location will be an area where the permafrost contains high amounts of ground ice and will be determined following the examination of several possible sites (~79° 55' 10"N 85° 50' 55"W"). This is an area of low rolling polar desert with very little vegetation, ephemeral streams and is roughly 550 km north of the community of Resolute Bay and 400 km north of the community of Grise Fiord. Resolute Bay is our primary logistics base. As a university-based research site we rely almost exclusively on the Polar Continental Shelf program (PCSP) for logistical support. The camp will consist of 4 small "expedition" tents for sleeping and a Mt. Logan tent as a kitchen tent. The camp and its grey water pit will be situated more than 100m from the nearest stream. We will take in our drinking water and local water will be used mainly for washing.

### ***Hazardous Materials On-site***

Hazardous materials on site include 1X 5 gal contained of gasoline and 1X 20 lb cylinder of propane.

### ***On-site spill kit:***

1 Can-Ross hand held SK-SBOPTRK spill kit with a Sorbent Capacity of 30 litres / 6.6 gallons

- 1 Nylon Carry Bag
- 1 Oil Only Sock (3" x 10')
- 30 Oil Only Pads (17" x 19" x S.W.)
- 1 Oil Only Pillow (12" x 13")
- 1 1 lb. Plugging Compound (pre-mixed)
- 1 1 lb. Plugging Compound (dry)
- 1 Pair Nitrile Gloves
- 3 Disposal Bags (20"X24")
- 1 Instruction book

### ***Preventative Measures***

All fuel will be kept on a spill sheet.

### ***Spill Response Procedures***

The limited hazardous materials at our camp almost all fall under the category of "flammable liquids" based on the INAC Guidelines for Spill Contingency Planning (a copy of these guidelines is kept with the Camp Spill Plan for reference to guideline levels) . All fuel at the site is stored in volumes never exceeding 25L.

The first person on the site will (1) assess the spill situation, (2) immediately contact the party chief (Pollard) and provide all information about the spill. The following course of action will be undertaken:

Step 1: The product and severity of the spill is assessed

Step 2a: If the spill is very minor (< 1L) the individual will effect an immediate clean up (on spill mat or in a berm), and if any soil is contaminated they will dig up the soil, bag and put in spill container. The individual will fill out a minor spill report that is recorded in the field station spill log (NT-NU spill report form Appendix 1).

Step 2b: Larger spill but still Minor according to guideline levels. The camp manager will make sure that the spill is stopped, ensure the spill does not enter any water body, and effect clean up with spill kit materials and put any contaminated soil in spill bags and then place in spill containers. Most spills will localized due to the small volume of hazardous materials on site, so contaminated absorbent pads and materials will be bagged and placed in spill container. The camp manager will file a thorough report for station records as well as a NT-NU spill report form (Appendix 1) which will be sent to McGill University in Montreal. The log on minor spills will be reported to land use and water board inspectors at scheduled visits.

Our worst case scenario is a spill of 25L or either Mogas due to a ruptured fuel drum. Contaminated materials and soils will be removed to an approved storage and decontamination site if necessary

Material Safety Data Sheets for gasoline and propane are listed in the Appendix.

### ***Initial response plan***

Even in a worst case scenario the environmental impacts of a spill of the hazardous materials at this camp the impact is unlikely to be significant and clean up would be simple. In all of the above cases the greatest hazard of a worst case spill might be fire thus human safety remains one of highest priorities.

### ***Procedures***

The spill related procedures fall into 3 levels of action – the first upon identifying a spill is to assure the safety of everyone in the camp, then assess the spill (type, minor, major) and depending on the nature of the spill inform the camp manager and proceed with appropriate measures to limit and clean up the spill (as set out above). Second, depending on the scale and nature of the spill the appropriate territorial and company authorities need to be informed and a spill report will be filed. The camp manager with the assistance of individuals in camp will undertake spill containment and clean up. The third action is the maintenance of records of spills of all levels and the action taken. In this case GPS locations and photographs form an important part of the recording process as well as filing out NT-NU Spill Reports.

Containment procedures for spills will follow the guidelines provided by the NT-NU Guidelines for Spill Contingency Planning based on the spill kit materials available.

Gasoline spill: If possible and if safety permits, stop the flow and eliminate any ignition sources (special care is taken to avoid gas vapor and no smoking). Use particulate absorbent material to soak up spill, all contaminated water or soil, clean up supplies and absorbent materials are put into closed labeled bags/containers which are stored in a ventilated area.

Propane: If possible and if safety permits eliminate any ignition sources (special care is taken to avoid gas vapor and no smoking).

### ***Spill kit contents***

The Can-Ross hand held SK-SBOPTRK spill kit with a Sorbent Capacity of 30 litres / 6.6 gallons includes:

- 1 Nylon Carry Bag

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- 30 Oil Only Pads (17" x 19" x S.W.)
- 1 Oil Only Pillow (12" x 13")
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- 1 1 lb. Plugging Compound (dry)
- 1 Pair Nitrile Gloves
- 3 Disposal Bags (20"X24")
- 1 Instruction book

### ***Reporting procedures***

- 1: Fill out spill report form as completely as possible before making report
- 2: Report to Yellowknife using 25 hour Spill Report line (867 920-8130)
- 3: Where fax is available follow up with a faxed copy of the spill report to 867 873-6924
- 4: PCSP or RCMP communications may be used if other means are not available
- 5: Notify DIAND's Water Resources Inspector 867 975-4295

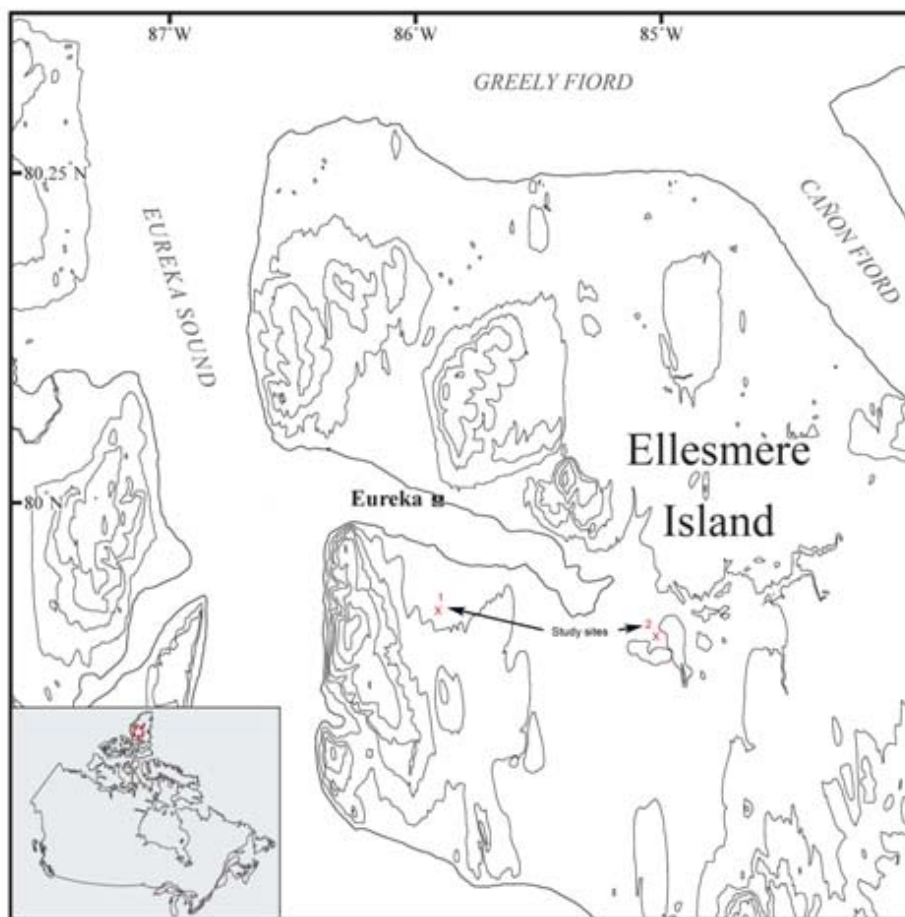
### ***Contacts***

INAC Water Resources Inspector 867 975-4295

Environment Canada Enforcement Officer 867 975-4644 (office) 867 222-1925 cell

PCSP Base Manager 867 252-3872

## APPENDIX: Map



Study location

## NT-NU Spill Report form



Canada

# NT-NU SPILL REPORT

OIL, GASOLINE, CHEMICALS AND OTHER HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

NT-NU 24-HOUR SPILL REPORT LINE

TEL: (867) 920-8130

FAX: (867) 873-6924

EMAIL: spills@gov.nt.ca

**REPORT LINE USE ONLY**

A	REPORT DATE: MONTH – DAY – YEAR		REPORT TIME		<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SPILL REPORT, OR <input type="checkbox"/> UPDATE # _____ TO THE ORIGINAL SPILL REPORT	<b>REPORT NUMBER</b> _____-_____
	B OCCURRENCE DATE: MONTH – DAY – YEAR		B OCCURRENCE TIME			
C	LAND USE PERMIT NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE)			WATER LICENCE NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE)		
D	GEOGRAPHIC PLACE NAME OR DISTANCE AND DIRECTION FROM NAMED LOCATION				REGION	
					<input type="checkbox"/> NWT <input type="checkbox"/> NUNAVUT <input type="checkbox"/> ADJACENT JURISDICTION OR OCEAN	
E	LATITUDE			LONGITUDE		
	DEGREES	MINUTES	SECONDS	DEGREES	MINUTES	SECONDS
F	RESPONSIBLE PARTY OR VESSEL NAME		RESPONSIBLE PARTY ADDRESS OR OFFICE LOCATION			
G	ANY CONTRACTOR INVOLVED		CONTRACTOR ADDRESS OR OFFICE LOCATION			
H	PRODUCT SPILLED		QUANTITY IN LITRES, KILOGRAMS OR CUBIC METRES		U.N. NUMBER	
	SECOND PRODUCT SPILLED (IF APPLICABLE)		QUANTITY IN LITRES, KILOGRAMS OR CUBIC METRES		U.N. NUMBER	
I	SPILL SOURCE		SPILL CAUSE		AREA OF CONTAMINATION IN SQUARE METRES	
J	FACTORS AFFECTING SPILL OR RECOVERY		DESCRIBE ANY ASSISTANCE REQUIRED		HAZARDS TO PERSONS, PROPERTY OR ENVIRONMENT	
K	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, COMMENTS, ACTIONS PROPOSED OR TAKEN TO CONTAIN, RECOVER OR DISPOSE OF SPILLED PRODUCT AND CONTAMINATED MATERIALS					
L	REPORTED TO SPILL LINE BY	POSITION	EMPLOYER	LOCATION CALLING FROM	TELEPHONE	
M	ANY ALTERNATE CONTACT	POSITION	EMPLOYER	ALTERNATE CONTACT LOCATION	ALTERNATE TELEPHONE	

**REPORT LINE USE ONLY**

N	RECEIVED AT SPILL LINE BY	POSITION	EMPLOYER	LOCATION CALLED	REPORT LINE NUMBER
		STATION OPERATOR		YELLOWKNIFE, NT	(867) 920-8130
LEAD AGENCY <input type="checkbox"/> EC <input type="checkbox"/> CCG <input type="checkbox"/> GNWT <input type="checkbox"/> GN <input type="checkbox"/> ILA <input type="checkbox"/> INAC <input type="checkbox"/> NEB <input type="checkbox"/> TC			SIGNIFICANCE <input type="checkbox"/> MINOR <input type="checkbox"/> MAJOR <input type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN		FILE STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> OPEN <input type="checkbox"/> CLOSED
AGENCY		CONTACT NAME	CONTACT TIME	REMARKS	
LEAD AGENCY					
FIRST SUPPORT AGENCY					
SECOND SUPPORT AGENCY					
THIRD SUPPORT AGENCY					



## MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Gasoline, All Grades

MSDS No. 9950

## EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

## DANGER!

**EXTREMELY FLAMMABLE - EYE AND MUCOUS MEMBRANE IRRITANT**  
**- EFFECTS CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM - HARMFUL OR FATAL IF**  
**SWALLOWED - ASPIRATION HAZARD**



NFPA 704 (Section 16)

High fire hazard. Keep away from heat, spark, open flame, and other ignition sources.

If ingested, do NOT induce vomiting, as this may cause chemical pneumonia (fluid in the lungs). Contact may cause eye, skin and mucous membrane irritation. Harmful if absorbed through the skin. Avoid prolonged breathing of vapors or mists. Inhalation may cause irritation, anesthetic effects (dizziness, nausea, headache, intoxication), and respiratory system effects.

Long-term exposure may cause effects to specific organs, such as to the liver, kidneys, blood, nervous system, and skin. Contains benzene, which can cause blood disease, including anemia and leukemia.

**1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT and COMPANY INFORMATION**

Hess Corporation  
1 Hess Plaza  
Woodbridge, NJ 07095-0961

**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER (24 hrs):**  
**COMPANY CONTACT (business hours):**  
**MSDS (Environment, Health, Safety) Internet Website**

**CHEMTREC (800)424-9300**  
Corporate Safety (732)750-6000  
www.hess.com

**SYNONYMS:** Hess Conventional (Oxygenated and Non-oxygenated) Gasoline; Reformulated Gasoline (RFG); Reformulated Gasoline Blendstock for Oxygenate Blending (RBOB); Unleaded Motor or Automotive Gasoline

See Section 16 for abbreviations and acronyms.

**2. COMPOSITION and INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS \***

INGREDIENT NAME (CAS No.)	CONCENTRATION PERCENT BY WEIGHT
Gasoline (86290-81-5)	100
Benzene (71-43-2)	0.1 - 4.9 (0.1 - 1.3 reformulated gasoline)
n-Butane (106-97-8)	< 10
Ethyl Alcohol (Ethanol) (64-17-5)	0 - 10
Ethyl benzene (100-41-4)	< 3
n-Hexane (110-54-3)	0.5 to 4
Methyl-tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) (1634-04-4)	0 to 15.0
Tertiary-amyl methyl ether (TAME) (994-05-8)	0 to 17.2
Toluene (108-88-3)	1 - 25
1,2,4- Trimethylbenzene (95-63-6)	< 6
Xylene, mixed isomers (1330-20-7)	1 - 15

A complex blend of petroleum-derived normal and branched-chain alkane, cycloalkane, alkene, and aromatic hydrocarbons. May contain antioxidant and multifunctional additives. Non-oxygenated Conventional Gasoline and RBOB do not have oxygenates (Ethanol or MTBE and/or TAME).





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Oxygenated Conventional and Reformulated Gasoline will have oxygenates for octane enhancement or as legally required.

### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### **EYES**

Moderate irritant. Contact with liquid or vapor may cause irritation.

#### **SKIN**

Practically non-toxic if absorbed following acute (single) exposure. May cause skin irritation with prolonged or repeated contact. Liquid may be absorbed through the skin in toxic amounts if large areas of skin are exposed repeatedly.

#### **INGESTION**

The major health threat of ingestion occurs from the danger of aspiration (breathing) of liquid drops into the lungs, particularly from vomiting. Aspiration may result in chemical pneumonia (fluid in the lungs), severe lung damage, respiratory failure and even death.

Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal disturbances, including irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea, and central nervous system (brain) effects similar to alcohol intoxication. In severe cases, tremors, convulsions, loss of consciousness, coma, respiratory arrest, and death may occur.

#### **INHALATION**

Excessive exposure may cause irritations to the nose, throat, lungs and respiratory tract. Central nervous system (brain) effects may include headache, dizziness, loss of balance and coordination, unconsciousness, coma, respiratory failure, and death.

**WARNING:** the burning of any hydrocarbon as a fuel in an area without adequate ventilation may result in hazardous levels of combustion products, including carbon monoxide, and inadequate oxygen levels, which may cause unconsciousness, suffocation, and death.

#### **CHRONIC EFFECTS and CARCINOGENICITY**

Contains benzene, a regulated human carcinogen. Benzene has the potential to cause anemia and other blood diseases, including leukemia, after repeated and prolonged exposure. Exposure to light hydrocarbons in the same boiling range as this product has been associated in animal studies with systemic toxicity. See also Section 11 - Toxicological Information.

#### **MEDICAL CONDITIONS AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE**

Irritation from skin exposure may aggravate existing open wounds, skin disorders, and dermatitis (rash). Chronic respiratory disease, liver or kidney dysfunction, or pre-existing central nervous system disorders may be aggravated by exposure.

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### **EYES**

In case of contact with eyes, immediately flush with clean, low-pressure water for at least 15 min. Hold eyelids open to ensure adequate flushing. Seek medical attention.

#### **SKIN**

Remove contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated areas thoroughly with soap and water or waterless hand cleanser. Obtain medical attention if irritation or redness develops.

#### **INGESTION**



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DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Do not give liquids. Obtain immediate medical attention. If spontaneous vomiting occurs, lean victim forward to reduce the risk of aspiration. Small amounts of material which enter the mouth should be rinsed out until the taste is dissipated.

### **INHALATION**

Remove person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, ensure an open airway and provide artificial respiration. If necessary, provide additional oxygen once breathing is restored if trained to do so. Seek medical attention immediately.

## **5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

### **FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES:**

FLASH POINT:	-45 °F (-43°C)
AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE:	highly variable; > 530 °F (>280 °C)
OSHA/NFPA FLAMMABILITY CLASS:	1A (flammable liquid)
LOWER EXPLOSIVE LIMIT (%):	1.4%
UPPER EXPLOSIVE LIMIT (%):	7.6%

### **FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS**

Vapors may be ignited rapidly when exposed to heat, spark, open flame or other source of ignition. Flowing product may be ignited by self-generated static electricity. When mixed with air and exposed to an ignition source, flammable vapors can burn in the open or explode in confined spaces. Being heavier than air, vapors may travel long distances to an ignition source and flash back. Runoff to sewer may cause fire or explosion hazard.

### **EXTINGUISHING MEDIA**

**SMALL FIRES:** Any extinguisher suitable for Class B fires, dry chemical, CO<sub>2</sub>, water spray, fire fighting foam, or Halon.

**LARGE FIRES:** Water spray, fog or fire fighting foam. Water may be ineffective for fighting the fire, but may be used to cool fire-exposed containers.

During certain times of the year and/or in certain geographical locations, gasoline may contain MTBE and/or TAME. Firefighting foam suitable for polar solvents is recommended for fuel with greater than 10% oxygenate concentration - refer to NFPA 11 "Low Expansion Foam - 1994 Edition."

### **FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTIONS**

Small fires in the incipient (beginning) stage may typically be extinguished using handheld portable fire extinguishers and other fire fighting equipment.

Firefighting activities that may result in potential exposure to high heat, smoke or toxic by-products of combustion should require NIOSH/MSHA- approved pressure-demand self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece and full protective clothing.

Isolate area around container involved in fire. Cool tanks, shells, and containers exposed to fire and excessive heat with water. For massive fires the use of unmanned hose holders or monitor nozzles may be advantageous to further minimize personnel exposure. Major fires may require withdrawal, allowing the tank to burn. Large storage tank fires typically require specially trained personnel and equipment to extinguish the fire, often including the need for properly applied fire fighting foam.

See Section 16 for the NFPA 704 Hazard Rating.



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### **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

ACTIVATE FACILITY SPILL CONTINGENCY or EMERGENCY PLAN.

Evacuate nonessential personnel and remove or secure all ignition sources. Consider wind direction; stay upwind and uphill, if possible. Evaluate the direction of product travel, diking, sewers, etc. to confirm spill areas. Spills may infiltrate subsurface soil and groundwater; professional assistance may be necessary to determine the extent of subsurface impact.

Carefully contain and stop the source of the spill, if safe to do so. Protect bodies of water by diking, absorbents, or absorbent boom, if possible. Do not flush down sewer or drainage systems, unless system is designed and permitted to handle such material. The use of fire fighting foam may be useful in certain situations to reduce vapors. The proper use of water spray may effectively disperse product vapors or the liquid itself, preventing contact with ignition sources or areas/equipment that require protection.

Take up with sand or other oil absorbing materials. Carefully shovel, scoop or sweep up into a waste container for reclamation or disposal - caution, flammable vapors may accumulate in closed containers. Response and clean-up crews must be properly trained and must utilize proper protective equipment (see Section 8).

### **7. HANDLING and STORAGE**

#### **HANDLING PRECAUTIONS**

\*\*\*\*\*USE ONLY AS A MOTOR FUEL\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*DO NOT SIPHON BY MOUTH\*\*\*\*\*

Handle as a flammable liquid. Keep away from heat, sparks, and open flame! Electrical equipment should be approved for classified area. Bond and ground containers during product transfer to reduce the possibility of static-initiated fire or explosion.

Special slow load procedures for "switch loading" must be followed to avoid the static ignition hazard that can exist when higher flash point material (such as fuel oil) is loaded into tanks previously containing low flash point products (such as this product) - see API Publication 2003, "Protection Against Ignitions Arising Out Of Static, Lightning and Stray Currents.

#### **STORAGE PRECAUTIONS**

Keep away from flame, sparks, excessive temperatures and open flame. Use approved vented containers. Keep containers closed and clearly labeled. Empty product containers or vessels may contain explosive vapors. Do not pressurize, cut, heat, weld or expose such containers to sources of ignition.

Store in a well-ventilated area. This storage area should comply with NFPA 30 "Flammable and Combustible Liquid Code". Avoid storage near incompatible materials. The cleaning of tanks previously containing this product should follow API Recommended Practice (RP) 2013 "Cleaning Mobile Tanks In Flammable and Combustible Liquid Service" and API RP 2015 "Cleaning Petroleum Storage Tanks".

#### **WORK/HYGIENIC PRACTICES**

Emergency eye wash capability should be available in the near proximity to operations presenting a potential splash exposure. Use good personal hygiene practices. Avoid repeated and/or prolonged skin exposure. Wash hands before eating, drinking, smoking, or using toilet facilities. Do not use as a cleaning solvent on the skin. Do not use solvents or harsh abrasive skin cleaners for washing this product from exposed skin areas. Waterless hand cleaners are effective. Promptly remove contaminated clothing and launder before reuse. Use care when laundering to prevent the formation of flammable vapors which could ignite via washer or dryer. Consider the need to discard contaminated leather shoes and gloves.



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### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS and PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### EXPOSURE LIMITS

Component (CAS No.)	Source	TWA (ppm)	STEL (ppm)	Exposure Limits	Note
Gasoline (86290-81-5)	ACGIH	300	500	A3	
Benzene (71-43-2)	OSHA	1	5	Carcinogen	
	ACGIH	0.5	2.5	A1, skin	
	USCG	1	5		
n-Butane (106-97-8)	ACGIH	1000	--	Aliphatic Hydrocarbon Gases Alkane (C1-C4)	
Ethyl Alcohol (ethanol) (64-17-5)	OSHA	1000	--		
	ACGIH	1000	--	A4	
Ethyl benzene (100-41-4)	OSHA	100	--		
	ACGIH	100	125	A3	
n-Hexane (110-54-3)	OSHA	500	--		
	ACGIH	50	--	Skin	
Methyl-tertiary butyl ether [MTBE] (1634-04-4)	ACGIH	50		A3	
Tertiary-amyl methyl ether [TAME] (994-05-8)				None established	
Toluene (108-88-3)	OSHA	200		Ceiling: 300 ppm; Peak: 500 ppm (10 min.)	
	ACGIH	20	--	A4	
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene (95-63-6)	ACGIH	25	--		
Xylene, mixed isomers (1330-20-7)	OSHA	100	--		
	ACGIH	100	150	A4	

#### ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Use adequate ventilation to keep vapor concentrations of this product below occupational exposure and flammability limits, particularly in confined spaces.

#### EYE/FACE PROTECTION

Safety glasses or goggles are recommended where there is a possibility of splashing or spraying.

#### SKIN PROTECTION

Gloves constructed of nitrile or neoprene are recommended. Chemical protective clothing such as that made of of E.I. DuPont Tychem®, products or equivalent is recommended based on degree of exposure.

Note: The resistance of specific material may vary from product to product as well as with degree of exposure. Consult manufacturer specifications for further information.

#### RESPIRATORY PROTECTION

A NIOSH-approved air-purifying respirator with organic vapor cartridges or canister may be permissible under certain circumstances where airborne concentrations are or may be expected to exceed exposure limits or for odor or irritation. Protection provided by air-purifying respirators is limited. Refer to OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134, NIOSH Respirator Decision Logic, and the manufacturer for additional guidance on respiratory protection selection and limitations.

Use a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator if there is a potential for uncontrolled release, exposure levels are not known, in oxygen-deficient atmospheres, or any other circumstance where an air-purifying respirator may not provide adequate protection.

### 9. PHYSICAL and CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

#### APPEARANCE

A translucent, straw-colored or light yellow liquid



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### **ODOR**

A strong, characteristic aromatic hydrocarbon odor. Oxygenated gasoline with MTBE and/or TAME may have a sweet, ether-like odor and is detectable at a lower concentration than non-oxygenated gasoline.

### **ODOR THRESHOLD**

	<u>Odor Detection</u>	<u>Odor Recognition</u>
Non-oxygenated gasoline:	0.5 - 0.6 ppm	0.8 - 1.1 ppm
Gasoline with 15% MTBE:	0.2 - 0.3 ppm	0.4 - 0.7 ppm
Gasoline with 15% TAME:	0.1 ppm	0.2 ppm

### **BASIC PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

BOILING RANGE:	85 to 437 °F (39 to 200 °C)
VAPOR PRESSURE:	6.4 - 15 RVP @ 100 °F (38 °C) (275-475 mm Hg @ 68 °F (20 °C)
VAPOR DENSITY (air = 1):	AP 3 to 4
SPECIFIC GRAVITY (H <sub>2</sub> O = 1):	0.70 - 0.78
EVAPORATION RATE:	10-11 (n-butyl acetate = 1)
PERCENT VOLATILES:	100 %
SOLUBILITY (H <sub>2</sub> O):	Non-oxygenated gasoline - negligible (< 0.1% @ 77 °F). Gasoline with 15% MTBE - slight (0.1 - 3% @ 77 °F); ethanol is readily soluble in water

## **10. STABILITY and REACTIVITY )**

**STABILITY:** Stable. Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

### **CONDITIONS TO AVOID**

Avoid high temperatures, open flames, sparks, welding, smoking and other ignition sources

### **INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS**

Keep away from strong oxidizers.

### **HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS**

Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and non-combusted hydrocarbons (smoke). Contact with nitric and sulfuric acids will form nitroresols that can decompose violently.

## **11. TOXICOLOGICAL PROPERTIES**

### **ACUTE TOXICITY**

Acute Dermal LD50 (rabbits): > 5 ml/kg	Acute Oral LD50 (rat): 18.75 ml/kg
Primary dermal irritation (rabbits): slightly irritating	Draize eye irritation (rabbits): non-irritating
Guinea pig sensitization: negative	

### **CHRONIC EFFECTS AND CARCINOGENICITY**

Carcinogenicity: OSHA: NO IARC: YES - 2B NTP: NO ACGIH: YES (A3)

IARC has determined that gasoline and gasoline exhaust are possibly carcinogenic in humans. Inhalation exposure to completely vaporized unleaded gasoline caused kidney cancers in male rats and liver tumors in female mice. The U.S. EPA has determined that the male kidney tumors are species-specific and are irrelevant for human health risk assessment. The significance of the tumors seen in female mice is not known. Exposure to light hydrocarbons in the same boiling range as this product has been associated in animal studies with effects to the central and peripheral nervous systems, liver, and kidneys. The significance of these animal models to predict similar human response to gasoline is uncertain.

This product contains benzene. Human health studies indicate that prolonged and/or repeated overexposure to benzene may cause damage to the blood-forming system (particularly bone marrow), and serious blood disorders such as aplastic anemia and leukemia. Benzene is listed as a human carcinogen by the NTP, IARC, OSHA and ACGIH.



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**MSDS No. 9950**

This product may contain methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE ): animal and human health effects studies indicate that MTBE may cause eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritation, central nervous system depression and neurotoxicity. MTBE is classified as an animal carcinogen (A3) by the ACGIH.

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Keep out of sewers, drainage areas and waterways. Report spills and releases, as applicable, under Federal and State regulations. If released, oxygenates such as ethers and alcohols will be expected to exhibit fairly high mobility in soil, and therefore may leach into groundwater. The API ([www.api.org](http://www.api.org)) provides a number of useful references addressing petroleum and oxygenate contamination of groundwater.

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Consult federal, state and local waste regulations to determine appropriate disposal options.

### 14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

DOT PROPER SHIPPING NAME: Gasoline  
DOT HAZARD CLASS and PACKING GROUP: 3, PG II  
DOT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: UN 1203  
DOT SHIPPING LABEL: FLAMMABLE LIQUID

PLACARD:



### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, and LOCAL REGULATORY INFORMATION

This product and its constituents listed herein are on the EPA TSCA Inventory. Any spill or uncontrolled release of this product, including any substantial threat of release, may be subject to federal, state and/or local reporting requirements. This product and/or its constituents may also be subject to other federal, state, or local regulations; consult those regulations applicable to your facility/operation.

#### CLEAN WATER ACT (OIL SPILLS)

Any spill or release of this product to "navigable waters" (essentially any surface water, including certain wetlands) or adjoining shorelines sufficient to cause a visible sheen or deposit of a sludge or emulsion must be reported immediately to the National Response Center (1-800-424-8802) as required by U.S. Federal Law. Also contact appropriate state and local regulatory agencies as required.

#### CERCLA SECTION 103 and SARA SECTION 304 (RELEASE TO THE ENVIRONMENT)

The CERCLA definition of hazardous substances contains a "petroleum exclusion" clause which exempts crude oil, refined, and unrefined petroleum products and any indigenous components of such. However, other federal reporting requirements (e.g., SARA Section 304 as well as the Clean Water Act if the spill occurs on navigable waters) may still apply.

#### SARA SECTION 311/312 - HAZARD CLASSES

<u>ACUTE HEALTH</u>	<u>CHRONIC HEALTH</u>	<u>FIRE</u>	<u>SUDDEN RELEASE OF PRESSURE</u>	<u>REACTIVE</u>
X	X	X	--	--

#### SARA SECTION 313 - SUPPLIER NOTIFICATION

This product contains the following toxic chemicals subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (EPCRA) of 1986 and of 40 CFR 372:

<u>INGREDIENT NAME (CAS NUMBER)</u>	<u>CONCENTRATION WT. PERCENT</u>
Benzene (71-43-2)	0.1 to 4.9 (0.1 to 1.3 for reformulated gasoline)
Ethyl benzene (100-41-4)	< 3



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n-Hexane (110-54-3)	0.5 to 4
Methyl-tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) (1634-04-4)	0 to 15.0
Toluene (108-88-3)	1 to 15
1,2,4- Trimethylbenzene (95-63-6)	< 6
Xylene, mixed isomers (1330-20-7)	1 to 15

US EPA guidance documents ([www.epa.gov/tri](http://www.epa.gov/tri)) for reporting Persistent Bioaccumulating Toxics (PBTs) indicate this product may contain the following de minimis levels of toxic chemicals subject to Section 313 reporting:

<u>INGREDIENT NAME (CAS NUMBER)</u>	<u>CONCENTRATION - Parts per million (ppm) by weight</u>
Polycyclic aromatic compounds (PACs)	17
Benzo (g,h,i) perylene (191-24-2)	2.55
Lead (7439-92-1)	0.079

### **CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65 LIST OF CHEMICALS**

This product contains the following chemicals that are included on the Proposition 65 "List of Chemicals" required by the California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986:

<u>INGREDIENT NAME (CAS NUMBER)</u>	<u>Date Listed</u>
Benzene	2/27/1987
Ethyl benzene	6/11/2004
Toluene	1/1/1991

### **CANADIAN REGULATORY INFORMATION (WHMIS)**

Class B, Division 2 (Flammable Liquid)

Class D, Division 2A (Very toxic by other means) and Class D, Division 2B (Toxic by other means)

### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

<b><u>NFPA® HAZARD RATING</u></b>	HEALTH:	1	Slight
	FIRE:	3	Serious
	REACTIVITY:	0	Minimal
<b><u>HMIS® HAZARD RATING</u></b>	HEALTH:	1 *	Slight
	FIRE:	3	Serious
	PHYSICAL:	0	Minimal
			* CHRONIC

**SUPERSEDES MSDS DATED:** 07/01/06

### **ABBREVIATIONS:**

AP = Approximately      < = Less than      > = Greater than  
N/A = Not Applicable      N/D = Not Determined      ppm = parts per million

### **ACRONYMS:**

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	CERCLA	Comprehensive Emergency Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
AIHA	American Industrial Hygiene Association	DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation
ANSI	American National Standards Institute (212)642-4900		[General Info: (800)467-4922]
API	American Petroleum Institute (202)682-8000	EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
		HMIS	Hazardous Materials Information System





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IARC	International Agency For Research On Cancer	REL	Recommended Exposure Limit (NIOSH)
MSHA	Mine Safety and Health Administration	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 Title III
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association (617)770-3000	SCBA	Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus
NIOSH	National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health	SPCC	Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasures
NOIC	Notice of Intended Change (proposed change to ACGIH TLV)	STEL	Short-Term Exposure Limit (generally 15 minutes)
NTP	National Toxicology Program	TLV	Threshold Limit Value (ACGIH)
OPA	Oil Pollution Act of 1990	TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
OSHA	U.S. Occupational Safety & Health Administration	TWA	Time Weighted Average (8 hr.)
PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit (OSHA)	WEEL	Workplace Environmental Exposure Level (AIHA)
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act	WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)

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Vendor assumes no responsibility for injury to vendee or third persons proximately caused by the material if reasonable safety procedures are not adhered to as stipulated in the data sheet. Additionally, vendor assumes no responsibility for injury to vendee or third persons proximately caused by abnormal use of the material, even if reasonable safety procedures are followed. Furthermore, vendee assumes the risk in their use of the material.



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## SECTION 1 PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

### PRODUCT

**Product Name:** HD-5 PROPANE (ODORIZED)  
**Product Description:** Liquefied Hydrocarbon Gas, Gas or Liquefied Gas  
**MSDS Number:** 13603  
**Intended Use:** Fuel gas

### COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Supplier:** Imperial Oil Products Division  
111 St. Clair Avenue West  
Toronto, ONT. M5W 1K3 Canada  
**24 Hour Environmental / Health Emergency Telephone** 519-339-2145  
**Transportation Emergency Phone Number** 519-339-2145  
**Product Technical Information** 1-800-268-3183  
**Supplier General Contact** 1-800-567-3776

## SECTION 2 COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### Reportable Hazardous Substance(s) or Complex Substance(s)

Name	CAS#	Concentration*	Acute Toxicity
ALKANES, C4	68513-65-5	0 - 2.5%	None
Ethane	74-84-0	0 - 5%	None
ISOBUTANE	75-28-5	0 - 2.5%	Inhalation Lethality: LC50 142,500 ppm (Rat)
Propane	74-98-6	90 - 99%	None
Propylene	115-07-1	1 - 5%	None

\* All concentrations are percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.

## SECTION 3 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This material is considered to be hazardous according to regulatory guidelines (see (M)SDS Section 15).

### PHYSICAL/CHEMICAL EFFECTS

Material can release vapours that readily form flammable mixtures. Vapour accumulation could flash and/or explode if ignited. Frostbite hazard - rapidly expanding gas or liquid may cause frostbite. Material can accumulate static charges which may cause an incendiary electrical discharge.

### HEALTH EFFECTS

Continued exposure to odorised gas may reduce or eliminate ability to smell the odorant. People with impaired ability to detect odour due to colds, allergies, injuries etc must be especially cautious. Odour must not be used exclusively as a safety measure. Proper respiratory protection and fire/explosion precautions should be utilised when odour is first detected. Inert gas and/or simple asphyxiant. Reduces oxygen available for breathing. Exposure to concentrations above 10% of the LEL may cause a general central nervous system (CNS) depression typical of anesthetic gases or intoxicants. Aliphatic hydrocarbon gases may build up in confined spaces and may cause dizziness, light-headedness, headache, nausea and loss of co-ordination. Continued inhalation may result in narcosis, unconsciousness, and possibly lead to death.

<b>NFPA Hazard ID:</b>	Health: 1	Flammability: 4	Reactivity: 0
<b>HMIS Hazard ID:</b>	Health: 1	Flammability: 4	Reactivity: 0

**Note:** This material should not be used for any other purpose than the intended use in Section 1 without expert advice. Health studies have shown that chemical exposure may cause potential human health risks which may vary from person to person.

#### SECTION 4 FIRST AID MEASURES

##### INHALATION

Immediately remove from further exposure. Get immediate medical assistance. For those providing assistance, avoid exposure to yourself or others. Use adequate respiratory protection. Give supplemental oxygen, if available. If breathing has stopped, assist ventilation with a mechanical device.

##### SKIN CONTACT

If frostbite occurs, immerse involved area in water at body temperature. Keep immersed for 20 to 40 minutes. Seek medical assistance.

##### EYE CONTACT

Flush thoroughly with water. If irritation occurs, get medical assistance.

##### INGESTION

Not Applicable

#### SECTION 5 FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

##### EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

**Appropriate Extinguishing Media:** Use water fog, dry chemical or carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) to extinguish flames.

**Inappropriate Extinguishing Media:** Straight streams of water

##### FIRE FIGHTING

**Fire Fighting Instructions:** Allow the fire to burn under controlled conditions. Stop leak if you can do so without risk. Evacuate area. If a leak or spill has not ignited, use water spray to disperse the vapours and to protect personnel attempting to stop a leak. Prevent run-off from fire control or dilution from entering streams, sewers or drinking water supply. Fire-fighters should use standard protective equipment and in enclosed spaces, self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Use water spray to cool fire exposed surfaces and to protect personnel.

**Unusual Fire Hazards:** FLAMMABLE GAS. Vapour is flammable and heavier than air. Vapour may travel across the ground and reach remote ignition sources, causing a flashback fire danger. Hazardous material. Firefighters should consider protective equipment indicated in Section 8.

**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Oxides of carbon, Incomplete combustion products

##### FLAMMABILITY PROPERTIES

**Flash Point [Method]:** -103°C (-153°F) [ ASTM D-92]  
**Flammable Limits (Approximate volume % in air):** LEL: 2.4 UEL: 9.5  
**Autoignition Temperature:** 432°C (810°F)

## SECTION 6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES

In the event of a spill or accidental release, notify relevant authorities in accordance with all applicable regulations.

### PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Avoid contact with spilled material. Warn or evacuate occupants in surrounding and downwind areas if required, due to toxicity or flammability of the material. See Section 5 for fire fighting information. See Section 3 for Significant Hazards. See Section 4 for First Aid Advice. See Section 8 for Personal Protective Equipment.

### SPILL MANAGEMENT

**Land Spill:** Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Stop leak if you can do so without risk. CAUTION: When in contact with refrigerated/cryogenic liquids, many materials become brittle and are likely to break without warning. Allow liquid to evaporate from the surface. All equipment used when handling the product must be grounded. Do not direct water at spill or source of leak. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. If possible, turn leaking containers so that gas escapes rather than liquid. Isolate area until gas has dispersed. Prevent spreading of vapour through sewers, ventilation systems and confined areas. Use water spray to reduce vapour or divert vapour cloud drift. Avoid allowing water run-off to contact spilled material.

**Water Spill:** Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Allow liquid to evaporate from the surface. See Land Spill in the section of the SDS for advice on gases.

Water spill and land spill recommendations are based on the most likely spill scenario for this material; however, geographic conditions, wind, temperature, (and in the case of a water spill) wave and current direction and speed may greatly influence the appropriate action to be taken. For this reason, local experts should be consulted. Note: Local regulations may prescribe or limit action to be taken.

### ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS

Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or confined areas.

## SECTION 7 HANDLING AND STORAGE

### HANDLING

Use non-sparking tools and explosion-proof equipment. Ethyl mercaptan is added to gas as an odorant to aid in the detection of the gas in case of leak or accidental discharge. Since ethyl mercaptan is reactive, a reduction in its effectiveness may occur during transport and storage of the odorised gas. Therefore, odour must not be used exclusively as a safety measure. Handle gas with strict adherence to established safety procedures. Use proper bonding and/or earthing procedures. Material can accumulate static charges which may cause an electrical spark (ignition source).

**Static Accumulator:** This material is a static accumulator.

### STORAGE

Ample fire water supply should be available. A fixed sprinkler/deluge system is recommended. Keep container closed. Handle containers with care. Open slowly in order to control possible pressure release. Store in a cool, well-ventilated area. Outside or detached storage preferred. Storage containers should be earthed and

bonded.

## SECTION 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Substance Name	Form	Limit/Standard			Note	Source
Ethane		TWA	1000 ppm			ACGIH
ISOBUTANE		TWA	1000 ppm			ACGIH
Propane		TWA	1000 ppm			ACGIH
Propylene		STEL	3000 ppm			Supplier
Propylene		TWA	1000 ppm			Supplier
Propylene		Limit value not established			Simple asphyxiant.	ACGIH

NOTE: Limits/standards shown for guidance only. Follow applicable regulations.

### ENGINEERING CONTROLS

The level of protection and types of controls necessary will vary depending upon potential exposure conditions. Control measures to consider:

Use explosion-proof ventilation equipment to stay below exposure limits.

### PERSONAL PROTECTION

Personal protective equipment selections vary based on potential exposure conditions such as applications, handling practices, concentration and ventilation. Information on the selection of protective equipment for use with this material, as provided below, is based upon intended, normal usage.

**Respiratory Protection:** If engineering controls do not maintain airborne contaminant concentrations at a level which is adequate to protect worker health, an approved respirator may be appropriate. Respirator selection, use, and maintenance must be in accordance with regulatory requirements, if applicable. Types of respirators to be considered for this material include:

No special requirements under ordinary conditions of use and with adequate ventilation.

For high airborne concentrations, use an approved supplied-air respirator, operated in positive pressure mode. Supplied air respirators with an escape bottle may be appropriate when oxygen levels are inadequate, gas/vapour warning properties are poor, or if air purifying filter capacity/rating may be exceeded.

**Hand Protection:** Any specific glove information provided is based on published literature and glove manufacturer data. Work conditions can greatly effect glove durability; inspect and replace worn or damaged gloves. The types of gloves to be considered for this material include:

Thermally protective gloves are recommended. If contact with forearms is likely, wear gauntlet-style gloves.

**Eye Protection:** If contact is likely, safety glasses with side shields are recommended. Face shield is recommended.

**Skin and Body Protection:** Any specific clothing information provided is based on published literature or manufacturer data. The types of clothing to be considered for this material include:

No skin protection is ordinarily required under normal conditions of use. In accordance with good industrial hygiene practices, precautions should be taken to avoid skin contact. Thermally protective and chemical resistant apron and long sleeves are recommended when volume of material is significant.

**Specific Hygiene Measures:** 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. Discard contaminated clothing and footwear that cannot be cleaned. Practise good housekeeping.

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROLS

See Sections 6, 7, 12, 13.

## SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Typical physical and chemical properties are given below. Consult the Supplier in Section 1 for additional data.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

**Physical State:** Gas  
**Form:** Liquefied  
**Colour:** Colourless  
**Odour:** Mercaptan  
**Odour Threshold:** N/D

### IMPORTANT HEALTH, SAFETY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

**Relative Density (at 15 °C):** 0.51  
**Flash Point [Method]:** -103°C (-153°F) [ASTM D-92]  
**Flammable Limits (Approximate volume % in air):** LEL: 2.4 UEL: 9.5  
**Autoignition Temperature:** 432°C (810°F)  
**Boiling Point / Range:** -42°C (-44°F)  
**Vapour Density (Air = 1):** 1.5 at 101 kPa  
**Vapour Pressure:** 850 kPa (6375 mm Hg) at 20°C  
**Evaporation Rate (N-Butyl Acetate = 1):** > 1  
**pH:** N/A  
**Log Pow (n-Octanol/Water Partition Coefficient):** N/A  
**Solubility in Water:** Negligible  
**Viscosity:** N/A  
**Oxidizing properties:** See Sections 3, 15, 16.

### OTHER INFORMATION

**Freezing Point:** N/D  
**Melting Point:** >-187°C (-305°F)

## SECTION 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**STABILITY:** Material is stable under normal conditions.

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

**MATERIALS TO AVOID:** Strong oxidizers

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:** Material does not decompose at ambient temperatures.

**HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:** Will not occur.

## SECTION 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute Toxicity

Route of Exposure	Conclusion / Remarks
<b>INHALATION</b>	
Toxicity (Rat): LC50 > 5000 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Minimally Toxic. Based on test data for structurally similar materials.
Irritation: No end point data.	Negligible hazard at ambient/normal handling temperatures. Based on assessment of the components.
<b>INGESTION</b>	
Toxicity: No end point data.	Not applicable.
<b>Skin</b>	
Toxicity: No end point data.	Not applicable.
Irritation (Rabbit): Data available.	Negligible irritation to skin at ambient temperatures. Based on test data for structurally similar materials.
<b>Eye</b>	
Irritation (Rabbit): Data available.	May cause mild, short-lasting discomfort to eyes. Based on test data for structurally similar materials.

### CHRONIC/OTHER EFFECTS

#### For the product itself:

May cause central nervous system disorder (e.g., narcosis involving a loss of coordination, weakness, fatigue, mental confusion and blurred vision) and/or damage. Exposure to rapidly expanding gas or vaporizing liquid may cause frostbite (cold burn). Simple asphyxiant: Acts by displacing oxygen in the lungs thereby diminishing the supply of oxygen available to the blood and tissues. Symptoms include shortness of breath, rapid heart rate, incoordination, lethargy, headaches, nausea, vomiting, and disorientation. Continued lack of oxygen may result in convulsions, loss of consciousness and death. Since exercise increases the tissue need for oxygen, symptoms will occur more quickly during exertion in an oxygen-deficient environment. Oxygen in enclosed spaces should be maintained at 21 percent by volume.

Additional information is available by request.

**CMR Status:** None.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List Citations
Ethane	74-84-0	4
ISOBUTANE	75-28-5	4
Propane	74-98-6	4
Propylene	115-07-1	4

--REGULATORY LISTS SEARCHED--

1 = IARC 1  
2 = IARC 2A

3 = IARC 2B  
4 = ACGIH ALL

5 = ACGIH A1  
6 = ACGIH A2

## SECTION 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

The information given is based on data available for the material, the components of the material, and similar materials.

#### **ECOTOXICITY**

Material -- Not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms.

#### **MOBILITY**

Material -- Highly volatile, will partition rapidly to air. Not expected to partition to sediment and wastewater solids.

#### **PERSISTENCE AND DEGRADABILITY**

##### **Biodegradation:**

Material -- Expected to be inherently biodegradable

##### **Atmospheric Oxidation:**

Material -- Expected to degrade at a moderate rate in air

#### **BIOACCUMULATION POTENTIAL**

Material -- Potential to bioaccumulate is low.

### **SECTION 13**

### **DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Disposal recommendations based on material as supplied. Disposal must be in accordance with current applicable laws and regulations, and material characteristics at time of disposal.

#### **DISPOSAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

Product is suitable for burning in an enclosed controlled burner for fuel value or disposal by supervised incineration at very high temperatures to prevent formation of undesirable combustion products.

#### **REGULATORY DISPOSAL INFORMATION**

**Empty Container Warning** (where applicable): Empty containers may retain residue and can be dangerous. DO NOT PRESSURISE, CUT, WELD, BRAZE, SOLDER, DRILL, GRIND OR EXPOSE SUCH CONTAINERS TO HEAT, FLAME, SPARKS, STATIC ELECTRICITY, OR OTHER SOURCES OF IGNITION; THEY MAY EXPLODE AND CAUSE INJURY OR DEATH. Do not attempt to refill or clean container since residue is difficult to remove. Empty drums should be completely drained, properly bunged and promptly returned to a drum reconditioner. All containers should be disposed of in an environmentally safe manner and in accordance with governmental regulations.

### **SECTION 14**

### **TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

#### **LAND (TDG)**

**Proper Shipping Name:** LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GASES

**Hazard Class & Division:** 2.1

**UN Number:** 1075

**Packing Group:** (N/A)

#### **LAND (DOT)**

**Proper Shipping Name:** Petroleum gases, liquified

**Hazard Class & Division:** 2.1

**ID Number:** 1075

**Packing Group:** (N/A)

ERG Number: 115

Label(s): 2.1

Transport Document Name: PETROLEUM GASES, LIQUEFIED, 2.1, UN1075

**SEA (IMDG)**

Proper Shipping Name: Petroleum gases, liquified

Hazard Class & Division: 2.1

EMS Number: F-D, S-U

UN Number: 1075

Packing Group: (N/A)

Label(s): 2.1

Transport Document Name: PETROLEUM GASES, LIQUEFIED, 2.1, UN1075

**AIR (IATA)**

Proper Shipping Name: Petroleum gases, liquified

Hazard Class & Division: 2.1

UN Number: 1075

Packing Group: (N/A)

Label(s): 2.1

Transportation Limitations: CARGO AIRCRAFT ONLY

Transport Document Name: PETROLEUM GASES, LIQUEFIED, 2.1, UN1075

**SECTION 15**

**REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**WHMIS Classification:** Class A: Compressed Gas Class B, Division 1: Flammable Gases

This product has been classified in accordance with hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the (M)SDS contains all the information required by the Controlled Products Regulations.

**CEPA:** All components of this material are either on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL), exempt, or have been notified under CEPA.

**NATIONAL CHEMICAL INVENTORY LISTING:** AICS, IECSC, DSL, EINECS, ENCS, KECI, PICCS, TSCA

**The Following Ingredients are Cited on the Lists Below:** None.

--REGULATORY LISTS SEARCHED--

1 = TSCA 4

3 = TSCA 5e

5 = TSCA 12b

2 = TSCA 5a2

4 = TSCA 6

6 = NPRI

**SECTION 16**

**OTHER INFORMATION**

N/D = Not determined, N/A = Not applicable

**THIS SAFETY DATA SHEET CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING REVISIONS:**

No revision information is available.

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**Precautionary Label Text:**



WHMIS Classification: Class A: Compressed Gas Class B, Division 1: Flammable Gases

## HEALTH HAZARDS

May cause central nervous system depression.

**PHYSICAL HAZARDS** Suffocation (asphyxiant) hazard - if allowed to accumulate to concentrations that reduce oxygen below safe breathing levels. Frostbite hazard - rapidly expanding gas or liquid may cause frostbite. Material can accumulate static charges which may cause an incendiary electrical discharge.

## PRECAUTIONS

Use non-sparking tools and explosion-proof equipment. Use proper bonding and/or earthing procedures.

## FIRST AID

**INHALATION:** Immediately remove from further exposure. Get immediate medical assistance. For those providing assistance, avoid exposure to yourself or others. Use adequate respiratory protection. Give supplemental oxygen, if available. If breathing has stopped, assist ventilation with a mechanical device.

**Skin:** If frostbite occurs, immerse involved area in water at body temperature. Keep immersed for 20 to 40 minutes. Seek medical assistance.

## FIRE FIGHTING MEDIA

Use water fog, foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) to extinguish flames.

## SPILL/LEAK

**Land Spill:** Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Stop leak if you can do so without risk. CAUTION: When in contact with refrigerated/cryogenic liquids, many materials become brittle and are likely to break without warning. Allow liquid to evaporate from the surface. Do not direct water at spill or source of leak. If possible, turn leaking containers so that gas escapes rather than liquid. Isolate area until gas has dispersed. Prevent spreading of vapour through sewers, ventilation systems and confined areas. Use water spray to reduce vapour or divert vapour cloud drift. Avoid allowing water run-off to contact spilled material.

**Water Spill:** Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Allow liquid to evaporate from the surface. Report spills as required to appropriate authorities. See Land Spill in the section of the SDS for advice on gases.

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