SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Ammonium Biborate Tetrahydrate

Product Number: All applicable American Elements product codes, e.g. AM-BOAT2-02-C.4HYD, AM-BOAT2-03-C.4HYD, AM-BOAT2-04-C.4HYD, AM-BOAT2-05-C.4HYD

CAS #: 12228-87-4

Relevant identified uses of the substance: Scientific research and development

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture
GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
Skin irritation (Category 2), H315
Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335
GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements
Pictogram

Signal word
Warning
Hazard statement(s)
H315
Causes skin irritation.
H319
Causes serious eye irritation.
H335
May cause respiratory irritation.
Precautionary statement(s)
P261 Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ Vapors/ spray.
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280 Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.
P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P312 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.
P321 Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).
P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.
P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P405 Store locked up.
P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.
Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS—none

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substances
Synonyms: Ammonium tetraborate
Formula: H8B4N2O74H2O
Molecular weight: 263.38 g/mol
CAS-No.: 12228-87-4
EC-No.: 234-513-8

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures
General advice
Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
Move out of dangerous area.
If inhaled
If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a
In case of skin contact
Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.
In case of eye contact
Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.
If swallowed
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed
The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2) and/or in section 11
Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed
No data available

SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media
Suitable extinguishing media
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Borane/boron oxides
Advice for firefighters
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.
Further information
No data available

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing Vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.
For personal protection see section 8.
Environmental precautions
Do not let product enter drains.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.
Reference to other sections
For disposal see section 13.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.
For precautions see section 2.
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.
Specific end use(s)
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1 no other specific uses are stipulated

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure controls
Appropriate engineering controls
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.
Personal protective equipment
Eye/face protection
Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).
Skin protection
Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove’s outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.
Body Protection
Impervious clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.
Respiratory protection
For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle respirator. For higher level protection use type OV/AG/P99 (US) or type ABEK-P2 (EU EN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).
Control of environmental exposure
Do not let product enter drains.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties
Appearance
Form: solid
Odor
No data available
Odor Threshold
No data available
pH
No data available
Melting point/freezing point
No data available
Initial boiling point and boiling range
No data available
Flash point
N/A
Evaporation rate
No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)
No data available
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits
No data available
Vapor pressure
No data available

Vapor density
No data available

Relative density
2.367 g/cm³

Water solubility
No data available

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water
No data available

Auto-ignition temperature
No data available

Decomposition temperature
No data available

Viscosity
No data available

Explosive properties
No data available

Oxidizing properties
No data available

Other safety information
No data available

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity
No data available

Chemical stability
Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions
No data available

Conditions to avoid
No data available

Incompatible materials
Potassium, Acid anhydrides

Hazardous decomposition products
Other decomposition products-No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity
No data available

Dermal: No data available
No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
No data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
No data available

Respiratory or skin sensitisation
Germ cell mutagenicity
No data available
Carcinogenicity
IARC:
No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
NTP:
No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.
OSHA:
No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.
Reproductive toxicity
Possible risk of congenital malformation in the fetus.
Overexposure may cause reproductive disorder(s) based on tests with laboratory animals.
Specific target organ toxicity -single exposure
Inhalation-May cause respiratory irritation.
Specific target organ toxicity -repeated exposure
No data available
Aspiration hazard
No data available
Additional Information
RTECS: Not available
Toxicity reported for borates in humans: ingestion or absorption may cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps, and erythematous lesions on the skin and mucous membranes. Other symptoms include: circulatory collapse, tachycardia, cyanosis, delirium, convulsions, and coma. Death has been reported to occur in infants from less than 5 grams and in adults from 5 to 20 grams.
Stomach-Irregularities-Based on Human Evidence
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SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity
No data available
Persistence and degradability
No data available
Bioaccumulative potential
No data available
Mobility in soil
No data available
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted
Other adverse effects
No data available

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods
Product
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.
Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.
Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped
with an afterburner and scrubber.
Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)
Not dangerous goods
IMDG
Not dangerous goods
IATA
Not dangerous goods

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

SARA 302 Components
No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.
SARA 313 Components
This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the
threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.
SARA 311/312 Hazards
Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard
Massachusetts Right To Know Components
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.
Pennsylvania Right To Know Components
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New Jersey Right To Know Components
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California Prop. 65 Components
This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth
defects, or any other reproductive harm.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). The above information is
believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The
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