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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRODUCT AND COMPANY UNDERTAKING

Trade Name Helium

Chemical Family Inorganic, gas

Chemical Name Helium

Synonyms MTG MSDS 48; HELIUM GAS; HELIUM COMPRESSED; HELIUM-4; ATOMIC

HELIUM; UN 1046; He; RTECS: MH6520000

Chemical Abstract no N/A

NIOSH No N/A

UN no N/A

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION								
Main Hazard Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.								
Flammability Highly Flammable								
Chemical hazard	Gas under pressure, compressed gas							
Signal Word	WARNING							
Biological hazard	No data available							
Precautionary Statement(s)	Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.							

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS							
Hazardous components	Helium						
EEC Classification	7440-59-7						
R Phrases	N/A						



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SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASU

Inhalation If adverse occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if

not breathing. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by

qualified personnel. Get immediate attention.

Skin contact Remove contaminated clothing and drench affected skin with plenty of water,

then wash with soap and water.

Eye contact **OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION** Immediately wash out with plenty of water.

Ingestion If large amount is swallowed. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION.

Note to Physicians For Inhalation, consider oxygen.

Symptoms: Immediate Suffocation

Symptoms: Delayed No data available

SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Specific Hazards Arising from Negligible fire hazard. Containers may rupture or explode to heat. the Chemical

Extinguishing Media Use extinguishing agents appropriate for surrounding fire. Large fires use water

spray to keep containers cool.

Unsuitable Extinguishing

Media

None known

Protective Equipment and

Fire Fighting Measures

Precaution For Firefighters

Wear full protective firefighting gear including self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for protection against possible exposure.

Move container from the fire area if it can be without risk. Cool container with water spray until well after the fire is out. Stay away from the ends of tanks. Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety device or any discoloration of tanks due to fire. For tank, rail car or tank truck, evaluate radius:

800 meters

Hazardous Combustion

Products

Cleanup Methods

not applicable

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions Wear personal protective clothing and equipment, see Section 8

Environmental Precautions Avoid release to the environment.

Methods for Containment Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely. Reduce vapors with water

spray. Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so. Keep unnecessary people

away. Isolate hazard area and deny entry.

Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Ventilate closed spaces



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before entering. Damaged cylinders should be handled only by specialist.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE							
Handling Procedures	Avoid breathing gas. Use only adequate ventilation.						
Storage Procedures	Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated area. Subject to storage regulations: Keep separated from incompatible substances.						

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Component Exposure Limits

HELIUM (7440-59-7)

ACGIH: Simple asphyxiant

Component Biological Limit Values

There are no biological limit values for any of this product's components.

Engineering Controls

Provide local exhaust or enclosure ventilation system. Ventilation equipment should be explosion- resistant if explosive concentrations of material are present. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Respiratory Protection	Under conditions of frequent use or neavy exposure, respiratory protection may									
	be needed.	Respiratory	protection	is	ranked	in	order	from	minimum	to
	maximum. C	onsider warni	ing propertie	es b	efore us	e				

Eyes/Face Eye protection not required, but recommended

Glove Recommendations Protective gloves are not required.

Protective Clothing Protective clothing is not required

For Unknown Concentrations or immediately Dangerous to Life or Health-

Any supplied-air respirator with full facepiece that is operated in a pressuredemand or other positive-pressure mode in combination with an auxiliary selfcontained breathing apparatus operated in pressure- demand or other positivepressure mode.

Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES									
Physical State:	Gas	Appearance:	Not available						
Color: colorless		Physical Form:	Gas						
Odor:	Odorless	Odor Threshold:	Odorless						
Taste:	Tasteless	pH:	Not available						
Melting/Freezing Point:	-272 °C @26 atm	Boiling Point:	269 °C						



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Flash Point: Not available Decomposition: Not available

UEL: Not available

Evaporation Rate: Not available Vapor Pressure: 1719 mmhg @ -268 °C

Vapor Density (air = 1): 0.138 Density: 0.1785 g/l # -268 °C

Water Solubility:0.94 % @ 0 °CLOG KOW:Not availableAuto Ignition:Not availableViscosity:0.02012 cP @ 26.8 °C

Molecular Weight: 4.0026 Molecular Formula: He

Solvent Solubility
Soluble: Alcohol

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability Stable at normal temperature and pressure.

Conditions to Avoid Protect from physical damage and heat. Containers may rapture or explode if

exposed to heat. Avoid inhalation of material or combustion by products.

Possibility of Hazardous

Reactions

Will not polymerize

Incompatible Materials No data available.

Decomposition Products Not Applicable

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute and Chronic Toxicity

Component Analysis The components of this material have reviewed in various sources and no

selected endpoints have been identified.

RTECS Acute Toxicity

(selected)

The components of this have been received and RTECS publishes no data as of

the date on this document.

Immediate Effects Suffocation

Delayed Effects No data available

Irritation/Corrosivity Data

No animal testing data available for skin or eyes

RTECS Irritation The components of this material have been reviewed and RTECS publishes no

data as of the date on this document.

Respiratory Sensitizer No data available

Dermal Sensitizer No data available

Carcinogenicity None of the product's components are listed by ACGIH, IARC, OSHA or DFG.

Component Carcinogenicity No data available

Mutagenic Data No data available



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RTECS Mutagenic	No data available
Reproductive Effects Data	No data available
Tumorigenic Data	No data available
Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure	Not applicable
Aspiration Hazard	None Known
Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure	

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION									
Component Analysis - Aquatic Toxicity	No LOLI ecotoxicity data are available for this product's components.								
Persistence and Degradability	No data available								
Bioaccumulative Potential	No data available								
Mobility in Environmental Media	No data available								

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS							
Disposal methods	Dispose in accordance with all regulations.						
Component Waste Numbers	The U.S. EPA has not published waste for this product's components.						

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION										
US DOT Information	UN DOT Information	UN DOT Information								
	Shipping Name: Helium, o	Shipping Name: Helium, compressed.								
	UN/NA #: UN1046	Harzad Class: 2.2								
	Require Label (s): 2.2									
TDG Information	IMDG Information									
	shipping name: Acetone									
	UN #: UN1046 Hazard Class: 2.2									



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SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Component Analysis

U. S. Federal Regulations

None of these products components are listed under SARA Section 302/304 (40 CFR Appendix A), SARA 311/312 (40 CFR 370.21), SARA Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65), CERCLA (40 CFR 302.4), TSCA 12(b) or require an OSHA process safety plan.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categories

Acute health: Yes Chronic Health: No Fire: No Pressure: Yes Reactive: No

U.S. State Regulations

The following components appear on one or more of the following state hazardous substances lists:

Component		CAS		CA	MA	ı	MN	N.	J	PA		
	HELIUM	JM 7440-59-7		No		es Yes		Yes		Yes	;	
	Not regulated under California Proposition 65											
	Component	CAS	US	CA	EU	AU	PH	JP	KR	CN	NZ	
	ETHYLENE	7440-59-7	Yes	DSL	EIN	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

NFPA Ratings: Health: 0 Fire: 0 Reactivity: 0

Hazard Scale; 0 = Minimal 1= Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe

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