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### SAFETY DATA SHEET

### 1. Identification

Product identifier Stainless Steel Flux Cored Welding Electrodes

Other means of identification None.

Recommended use Arc Welding.

The products covered by this document are:

Select 410; Select 410-AP; Select 410NiMo; Select 410NiMo-AP; SelectAlloy 312; SelectAlloy 16-8-2-AP; SelectAlloy 2209-AP; SelectAlloy 2553-AP; SelectAlloy 2594-AP; SelectAlloy 307-AP; SelectAlloy 308H-AP; SelectAlloy 308L-AP BF; SelectAlloy 308L-AP CRYO; SelectAlloy 309H-AP; SelectAlloy 309L-AP; SelectAlloy 309L-AP BF; SelectAlloy 309L-AP BF; SelectAlloy 309L-AP; SelectAlloy 309L-AP; SelectAlloy 312-AP; SelectAlloy 316H-AP; SelectAlloy 316L; SelectAlloy 316L; SelectAlloy 316L-AP; SelectAlloy 316L-AP BF; SelectAlloy 317L-AP BF; SelectAlloy 317L-AP; SelectAlloy 317L-AP;

308L-AP\_LNG.

Recommended restrictions Workers (and your customers or users in the case of resale) should be informed of the potential

presence of respirable dust and respirable crystalline silica as well as their potential hazards. Appropriate training in the proper use and handling of this material should be provided as required

under applicable regulations. Uses other than the recommended use.

### Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Manufacturer/Supplier

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Fort Loramie, OH 45845

**United States** 

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 1-888-511-5217

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Supplier

Company name

**Address** 

Telephone

Emergency phone number 3E Company Emergency Response Hotline Company Code: 334276

Within USA and Canada and Mexico 1-866-519-4752

Europe: 1-760-476-3962 Asia Pacific: 1-760-476-3960 Middle East/Africa: 1-760-476-3959

2. Hazard identification

Physical hazards Not classified.

Health hazards Not classified.

Label elements

Hazard symbolNone.Signal wordNone.Hazard statementNone.

**Precautionary statement** 

**Prevention** Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

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Response

Wash skin with soap and water.

**Storage** 

Store away from incompatible materials.

**Disposal** Supplemental information Dispose of waste and residues in accordance with local authority requirements.

Read and understand the manufacturer's instructions, Safety Data Sheets and the precautionary labels before using this product. Refer to Section 8.

The composition and quantity of welding fumes and gases are dependent upon the metal being welded, the process, procedures and electrodes used. Most fume ingredients are present as complex oxides and compounds and not as pure metals. When the electrode is consumed, the fume and gas decomposition products generated are different in percent and form from the ingredients listed in Section 3. Decomposition products of normal operation include those originating from the volatilization, reaction or oxidation, plus those from the base metal and coating, etc., of the materials shown in the composition (section 3) of this Safety Data Sheet.

Fumes from the use of this product may contain complex oxides or compounds of the following elements and molecules: amorphous silica fume, calcium oxide, chromium, fluorspar or fluorides, manganese, nickel, silica and other metal traces. Other reasonably expected constituents of the fume would also include complex oxides of iron, titanium, and silicon. Gaseous reaction products may include carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide. Ozone and nitrogen oxides may be formed by the radiation from the arc.

Other hazards

This product presents no hazards in its intrinsic form. However, several hazards are generated during welding operations that can be harmful.

WARNING! - Avoid breathing welding fumes and gases, they may be dangerous to your health. Always use adequate ventilation. Always use appropriate personal protective equipment. ARC RAYS: The welding arc can injure eyes and burn skin. HEAT: Molten metal and weld spatter can burn skin and start fires. ELECTRIC SHOCK: Arc welding and associated processes can kill. FUMES AND GASES: Can be dangerous to your health.

Electric Shock can kill. If welding must be performed in damp locations or with wet clothing, on metal structures or when in cramped positions such as sitting, kneeling or lying, or if there is a high risk of unavoidable or accidental contact with workpiece, use the following equipment: Semiautomatic DC Welder, DC Manual (Stick) Welder, or AC Welder with Reduced Voltage Control.

Overexposure to welding fumes and gases can be hazardous. Workers allergic to nickel may develop eczema or rashes. Prolonged exposure to welding fume may cause lung damage and various types of cancer, including lung, larynx and urinary tract.

Substance(s) formed under the conditions of use

The intended use of this product does not include grinding.

### 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### **Mixtures**

| Chemical name                   | Common name and synonyms | CAS number | %           |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Chromium                        |                          | 7440-47-3  | 4.0-29.0%   |
| Nickel                          |                          | 7440-02-0  | 0.01-12.25% |
| Titanium dioxide                |                          | 13463-67-7 | 1.25-11.5%  |
| Manganese                       |                          | 7439-96-5  | 0.5-5.75%   |
| Molybdenum                      |                          | 7439-98-7  | 0-3.0%      |
| Quartz                          |                          | 14808-60-7 | 0.01-2.75%  |
| Zirconium dioxide               |                          | 1314-23-4  | 0.05-2.75%  |
| Manganese oxide                 |                          | 1344-43-0  | 0-2.25%     |
| Aluminium oxide                 |                          | 1344-28-1  | 0-2.0%      |
| Tripotassium Hexafluorosilicate |                          | 16871-90-2 | 0-0.5%      |

**Composition comments** 

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

### 4. First-aid measures

Inhalation

Move to fresh air if breathing is difficult cause by inhalation of dust or fume from this product. If breathing has stopped, perform artificial respiration and obtain medical assistance at once.

Skin contact

Remove contaminated clothing and wash the skin thoroughly with soap and water. For reddened

or blistered skin, or thermal burns, obtain medical assistance at once.

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### Eye contact

Dust or fume from this product should be flushed from the eyes with copious amounts of clean, tepid water until transported to an emergency medical facility. Do not allow victim to rub or keep eyes tightly closed. Obtain medical assistance at once. Arc rays can injure eyes. If exposed to arc rays, move victim to dark room, remove contact lenses as necessary for treatment, cover eyes with a padded dressing and rest. Obtain medical assistance if symptoms persist.

### Ingestion

Unlikely due to form of product, except for granular materials. Avoid hand, clothing, food, and drink contact with metal fume or powder which can cause ingestion of particulate during hand to mouth activities such as drinking, eating, smoking, etc. If ingested, do not induce vomiting. Contact a poison control center. Unless the poison control center advises otherwise, wash out mouth thoroughly with water. If symptoms develop, seek medical attention at once.

### Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Short-term (acute) overexposure to welding fumes may result in discomfort such as metal fume fever, dizziness, nausea, or dryness or irritation of nose, throat, or eyes. May aggravate pre-existing respiratory problems (e.g. asthma, emphysema). Long-term (chronic) overexposure to welding fumes can lead to siderosis (iron deposits in lung), central nervous system effects, bronchitis and other pulmonary effects. Chronic overexposure to nickel fumes and hexavalent chromium can cause cancer. Some of the products contain silica quartz. Silica quartz is a listed carcinogen. Workers allergic to nickel may develop eczema or rashes. Prolonged exposure to welding fume may cause lung damage and various types of cancer, including lung, larynx and urinary tract.

### Indication of immediate medical attention and special

Treat symptomatically.

### treatment needed **General information**

Welding hazards are complex and may include physical and health hazards such as but not limited to electric shock, physical strains, radiation burns (eye flash), thermal burns due to hot metal or spatter and potential health effects of overexposure to welding fume or dust. Refer to Section 11 for more information.

In case of electrical shock turn off power and follow recommended treatment. In all cases call a physician.

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

### Suitable extinguishing media Unsuitable extinguishing media

Special powder against metal fires. Dry sand. As shipped, the product will not burn.

None known.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Welding arc and sparks can ignite combustibles and flammable products.

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

Fire fighting equipment/instructions

General fire hazards

Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials. Move containers from fire area if you can do it without risk.

As shipped, this product is nonflammable. However, welding arc and sparks can ignite combustibles and flammable products. Read and understand American National Standard Z49.1, "Safety In Welding, Cutting and Allied Processes" and National Fire Protection Association NFPA 51B, "Standard for Fire Prevention During Welding, Cutting and Other Hot Work" before using this product.

This material has the potential to ignite if subjected to high enough temperatures or create an airborne dust combustion (deflagration) hazard if sufficient concentrations become airborne in an environment with high enough energy sources to cause ignition. For additional information refer to Section 16 of this M(SDS). Handle according to applicable company safety instructions and procedures.

### 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Metallic dust or fumes may be produced during welding: Avoid inhalation of dust and fumes. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. If airborne dust and/or fume is present, use adequate engineering controls and, if needed, personal protection to prevent overexposure. Refer to recommendations in Section 8. Isolate the area and keep non-essential people away. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Allow the molten metallic material to solidify and cool before disposal. If molten metal spills out of the weldment, turn off the power.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the personal protective equipment in Section 8. Avoid generating dust. Prevent product from entering any drains, sewers or water sources. Refer to Section 13 for proper disposal. Recover and recycle, if practical.

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**Environmental precautions** 

Avoid release to the environment.

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### 7. Handling and storage

#### Precautions for safe handling

Keep formation of airborne dusts to a minimum. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

Read and understand the manufacturer's instruction and the precautionary label on the product. See American National Standard Z49.1, "Safety In Welding, Cutting and Allied Processes" published by the American Welding Society, http://pubs.aws.org and OSHA Publication 2206 (29CFR1910), U.S. Government Printing Office, www.gpro.gov.

Do not breathe fumes and dusts. If dust or fumes are generated during use, use local exhaust in combination with general ventilation as necessary to remove fumes/dust from the workers' breathing zone and to ensure exposures do not exceed applicable limits. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Keep the workplace clean. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

Electric Shock can kill. If welding must be performed in damp locations or with wet clothing, on metal structures or when in cramped positions such as sitting, kneeling or lying, or if there is a high risk of unavoidable or accidental contact with workpiece, use the following equipment:

Semiautomatic DC Welder, DC Manual (Stick) Welder, or AC Welder with Reduced Voltage Control.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in original tightly closed container. Store in a dry place. Use care in handling/storage. Store in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulation. Store away from incompatible materials

### 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Occupational exposure limits

**US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)** 

| Components   | Type | Value Form  |                                | Type Value Form |  | Value Form | Form |
|--|------|-------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--|------------|------|
| Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3)                               | TWA  | 0.5 mg/m3   | Inhalable fraction.            |                 |  |            |      |
| Manganese (CAS 7439-96-5)                              | TWA  | 0.1 mg/m3   | Inhalable fraction.            |                 |  |            |      |
|  |      | 0.02 mg/m3  | Respirable fraction.           |                 |  |            |      |
| Manganese oxide (CAS 1344-43-0)                        | TWA  | 0.1 mg/m3   | Inhalable fraction.            |                 |  |            |      |
|  |      | 0.02 mg/m3  | Respirable fraction.           |                 |  |            |      |
| Molybdenum (CAS<br>7439-98-7)                          | TWA  | 3 mg/m3     | Respirable fraction.           |                 |  |            |      |
|  |      | 10 mg/m3    | Inhalable fraction.            |                 |  |            |      |
| Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0)                                 | TWA  | 1.5 mg/m3   | Inhalable fraction.            |                 |  |            |      |
| Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)                                | TWA  | 0.025 mg/m3 | Respirable fraction.           |                 |  |            |      |
| Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7)                      | TWA  | 2.5 mg/m3   | Respirable finescale particles |                 |  |            |      |
|  |      | 0.2 mg/m3   | Respirable nanoscale particles |                 |  |            |      |
| Tripotassium<br>Hexafluorosilicate (CAS<br>16871-90-2) | TWA  | 2.5 mg/m3   |                                |                 |  |            |      |
| Zirconium dioxide (CAS 1314-23-4)                      | STEL | 10 mg/m3    |                                |                 |  |            |      |

### Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2), as amended

| Components                         | Туре | Value       | Form                  |
|------------------------------------|------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Aluminium oxide (CAS<br>1344-28-1) | TWA  | 10 mg/m3    |                       |
| Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3)           | TWA  | 0.5 mg/m3   |                       |
| Manganese (CAS<br>7439-96-5)       | TWA  | 0.2 mg/m3   |                       |
| Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0)             | TWA  | 1.5 mg/m3   |                       |
| Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)            | TWA  | 0.025 mg/m3 | Respirable particles. |

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|---|------|----------|------|--|
| Components  | Туре | Value    | Form |  |
| Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7)   | TWA  | 10 mg/m3 |      |  |
| Zirconium dioxide (CAS 1314-23-4)   | STEL | 10 mg/m3 |      |  |

Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended)

| Components   | Туре | Value       | Form                 |
|--|------|-------------|----------------------|
| Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3)                               | TWA  | 0.5 mg/m3   | Total                |
| Manganese (CAS<br>7439-96-5)                           | TWA  | 0.2 mg/m3   | Total                |
|  |      | 0.02 mg/m3  | Respirable.          |
| Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0)                                 | TWA  | 0.05 mg/m3  |                      |
| Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)                                | TWA  | 0.025 mg/m3 | Respirable fraction. |
| Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7)                      | TWA  | 3 mg/m3     | Respirable fraction. |
|  |      | 10 mg/m3    | Total dust.          |
| Tripotassium<br>Hexafluorosilicate (CAS<br>16871-90-2) | TWA  | 2.5 mg/m3   |                      |
| Zirconium dioxide (CAS 1314-23-4)                      | STEL | 10 mg/m3    |                      |

Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act), as amended

| Components   | Type Value |             | Form                              |  |
|--|------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3)                               | TWA        | 0.5 mg/m3   | Inhalable fraction.               |  |
| Manganese (CAS<br>7439-96-5)                           | TWA        | 0.1 mg/m3   | Inhalable fraction.               |  |
|  |            | 0.02 mg/m3  | Respirable fraction.              |  |
| Manganese oxide (CAS<br>1344-43-0)                     | TWA        | 0.1 mg/m3   | Inhalable fraction.               |  |
|  |            | 0.02 mg/m3  | Respirable fraction.              |  |
| Molybdenum (CAS<br>7439-98-7)                          | TWA        | 3 mg/m3     | Respirable fraction.              |  |
|  |            | 10 mg/m3    | Inhalable fraction.               |  |
| Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0)                                 | TWA        | 1.5 mg/m3   | Inhalable fraction.               |  |
| Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)                                | TWA        | 0.025 mg/m3 | Respirable fraction.              |  |
| Titanium dioxide (CAS<br>13463-67-7)                   | TWA        | 2.5 mg/m3   | Respirable finescale particles    |  |
|  |            | 0.2 mg/m3   | Respirable nanoscale<br>particles |  |
| Tripotassium<br>Hexafluorosilicate (CAS<br>16871-90-2) | TWA        | 2.5 mg/m3   |                                   |  |
| Zirconium dioxide (CAS<br>1314-23-4)                   | STEL       | 10 mg/m3    |                                   |  |

# Canada. New Brunswick OELs: Threshold Limit Values (TLVs) Based on the 1991 and 1997 ACGIH TLVs and BEIs Publication (New Brunswick Regulation 91-191)

| Components                      | Type | Value                         | Form                 |
|---------------------------------|------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3)        | TWA  | 0.5 mg/m3                     |                      |
| Manganese (CAS 7439-96-5)       | TWA  | 0.1 mg/m3                     | Inhalable fraction.  |
|                                 |      | 0.02 mg/m3                    | Respirable fraction. |
| Manganese oxide (CAS 1344-43-0) | TWA  | 0.1 mg/m3 Inhalable fraction. |                      |

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| Components   | Туре                                | Value                                   | Form                 |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|----------------------|
|  |                                     | 0.02 mg/m3                              | Respirable fraction. |
| lybdenum (CAS TWA<br>99-98-7)                          |                                     | 3 mg/m3                                 | Respirable fraction. |
|  |                                     | 10 mg/m3                                | Inhalable fraction.  |
| Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0)                                 | TWA                                 | 1.5 mg/m3 Inhalable fraction            |                      |
| Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)                                | TWA                                 | 0.025 mg/m3                             | Respirable fraction  |
| Titanium dioxide (CAS<br>13463-67-7)                   | TWA                                 | 10 mg/m3                                |                      |
| Tripotassium<br>Hexafluorosilicate (CAS<br>16871-90-2) | TWA                                 | 2.5 mg/m3                               |                      |
| Zirconium dioxide (CAS<br>1314-23-4)                   | STEL                                | 10 mg/m3                                |                      |
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| Components   | Туре                                | Value                                   | Form                 |
| Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3)                               | TWA                                 | 0.5 mg/m3                               |                      |
| Manganese (CAS<br>7439-96-5)                           | TWA                                 | 0.2 mg/m3                               |                      |
|  |                                     | 0.1 mg/m3                               | Inhalable fraction.  |
|  |                                     | 0.02 mg/m3                              | Respirable fraction. |
| Manganese oxide (CAS<br>1344-43-0)                     | TWA                                 | 0.1 mg/m3                               | Inhalable fraction.  |
| Molybdenum (CAS<br>7439-98-7)                          | TWA                                 | 3 mg/m3                                 | Respirable fraction  |
|  |                                     | 10 mg/m3                                | Inhalable fraction.  |
| Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0)                                 | TWA                                 | 1 mg/m3                                 | Inhalable fraction.  |
| Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)                                | TWA                                 | 0.1 mg/m3                               | Respirable fraction  |
| Fitanium dioxide (CAS<br>13463-67-7)                   | TWA                                 | 10 mg/m3                                |                      |
| Tripotassium<br>Hexafluorosilicate (CAS<br>16871-90-2) | TWA                                 | 2.5 mg/m3                               |                      |
| Zirconium dioxide (CAS<br>1314-23-4)                   | STEL                                | 10 mg/m3                                |                      |
| Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of<br>Components        | Labor - Regulation respecti<br>Type | ng occupational health and sa<br>Value  | lfety)<br>Form       |
| Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3)                               | TWA                                 | 0.5 mg/m3                               |                      |
| Manganese (CAS<br>7439-96-5)                           | TWA                                 | 0.2 mg/m3                               | Fume, total dust.    |
| Manganese oxide (CAS<br>1344-43-0)                     | TWA                                 | 0.2 mg/m3                               | Fume, total dust.    |
| Molybdenum (CAS<br>7439-98-7)                          | TWA                                 | 3 mg/m3                                 | Respirable dust.     |
|  |                                     | 10 mg/m3                                | Inhalable dust.      |
| Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0)                                 | TWA                                 | 1.5 mg/m3                               | Inhalable dust.      |
| Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)                                | TWA                                 | 0.05 mg/m3                              | Respirable dust.     |
| Titanium dioxide (CAS<br>13463-67-7)                   | TWA                                 | 10 mg/m3                                | Total dust.          |
| Tripotassium<br>Hexafluorosilicate (CAS<br>16871-90-2) | TWA                                 | 2.5 mg/m3                               |                      |

| Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labor - Regulation respecting occupational health and safety) |      |          |      |  |  |
|---|------|----------|------|--|--|
| Components  | Туре | Value    | Form |  |  |
| Zirconium dioxide (CAS<br>1314-23-4)  | STEL | 10 mg/m3 |      |  |  |

| Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occ<br>Components         | Type      | Value      | Form                 |
|--|-----------|------------|----------------------|
| Aluminium oxide (CAS<br>1344-28-1)                   | 15 minute | 20 mg/m3   |                      |
|  | 8 hour    | 10 mg/m3   |                      |
| Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3)                             | 15 minute | 1.5 mg/m3  |                      |
|  | 8 hour    | 0.5 mg/m3  |                      |
| Manganese (CAS<br>7439-96-5)                         | 15 minute | 0.6 mg/m3  |                      |
|  | 8 hour    | 0.2 mg/m3  |                      |
| Manganese oxide (CAS<br>I344-43-0)                   | 15 minute | 0.6 mg/m3  |                      |
|  | 8 hour    | 0.2 mg/m3  |                      |
| Nolybdenum (CAS<br>7439-98-7)                        | 15 minute | 6 mg/m3    | Respirable fraction. |
|  |           | 20 mg/m3   | Inhalable fraction.  |
|  | 8 hour    | 3 mg/m3    | Respirable fraction. |
|  |           | 10 mg/m3   | Inhalable fraction.  |
| lickel (CAS 7440-02-0)                               | 15 minute | 3 mg/m3    | Inhalable fraction.  |
|  | 8 hour    | 1.5 mg/m3  | Inhalable fraction.  |
| Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)                              | 8 hour    | 0.05 mg/m3 | Respirable fraction. |
| Fitanium dioxide (CAS<br>13463-67-7)                 | 15 minute | 20 mg/m3   |                      |
|  | 8 hour    | 10 mg/m3   |                      |
| ripotassium<br>Hexafluorosilicate (CAS<br>6871-90-2) | 15 minute | 5 mg/m3    |                      |
| •  | 8 hour    | 2.5 mg/m3  |                      |

### **Biological limit values**

**ACGIH Biological Exposure Indices (BEI)** 

| Components   | Value       | Determinant    | Specimen | Sampling Time |  |
|--|-------------|----------------|----------|---------------|--|
| Chromium (CAS 7440-47-                                 | -3)0.7 μg/l | Total chromium | Urine    | *             |  |
| Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0)                                 | 5 μg/l      | Nickel         | Urine    | *             |  |
| Tripotassium<br>Hexafluorosilicate (CAS<br>16871-90-2) | 3 mg/l      | Fluoride       | Urine    | *             |  |
|  | 2 mg/l      | Fluoride       | Urine    | *             |  |

<sup>\* -</sup> For sampling details, please see the source document.

**Exposure guidelines** 

Occupational exposure to nuisance dust (total and respirable) and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.

### Appropriate engineering controls

Local ventilation should be provided. Good general ventilation should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. If engineering measures are not sufficient to maintain concentrations of dust particulates below the OEL (occupational exposure limit), suitable respiratory protection must be worn. If material is ground, cut, or used in any operation which may generate dusts, use appropriate local exhaust ventilation to keep exposures below the recommended exposure limits.

Provide adequate ventilation and/or local exhaust at the weld station to keep fumes and gases away from the welder. Train welders and welding operators to keep their head out of the fumes. See ANSI Z49.1 "Safety in Welding, Cutting, and Allied Processes" for recommendations of safe work practices.

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles). Wear a helmet or face shield with an

appropriate filter lens. Use protective screens to shield others in the work area.

Skin protection

**Hand protection** Wear hand protection which help to prevent injury from radiation, sparks and electrical shock. At a

minimum this includes welder's gloves and may include arm protectors. Suitable gloves can be

recommended by the glove supplier.

Other Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing. Use of a welding apron is recommended.

inadequate, welding in confined spaces or where required to by OSHA regulations. Fume sampling per AWS F1.1 "Method for Sampling Airborne Particulates Generated by Welding and Allied Processes" may be required. Other appropriate standards that may be considered include, but are not limited to, AWS F1.2 "Laboratory Method for Measuring Fume Generation Rate and Total Fume Emission of Welding and Allied Processes" and AWS F3.2 "Ventilation Guide for Weld Fume". For actual weld fume and particulate analysis, refer to the appropriate analytical methods

recommended by NIOSH or OSHA, and consult an industrial hygiene professional.

Thermal hazards Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

General hygiene considerations

Observe any medical surveillance requirements. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. 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. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.

### 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical state Solid.

Form Cored Wire.

Colour Grey / Silver.

Odour Odourless.

Odour threshold Not applicable.

Melting point/freezing point > 1093.33 °C (> 2000 °F) Boiling point or initial boiling > 1093.33 °C (> 2000 °F)

point and boiling range

Flammability Not flammable.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

Explosive limit - lower (%) Not available.

Explosive limit - upper Not available.

(%)

Not available.

Flash point Not available.

Auto-ignition temperature Not available.

**Decomposition temperature** > 1093.3 °C (> 2000 °F)

pH Not applicable.Kinematic viscosity Not applicable.

Solubility

Solubility (water) Insoluble in water.

Solubility (solvents) Insoluble.
Solubility (other) Insoluble.

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Partition coefficient

(n-octanol/water) (log value)

Not applicable.

Vapour pressure

Not applicable.

Not available.

Density and/or relative density Vapour density

Not applicable.

Particle characteristics

Not available.

Other information

Explosive properties Not explosive.

Oxidising properties Not oxidising.

Viscosity Not applicable.

### 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

The product is non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

Chemical stability

Material is stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous

None expected under normal conditions of use.

reactions

Avoid heat, Contamination, Moisture.

Conditions to avoid Incompatible materials

Strong acids. Strong oxidising substances. Strong bases.

Hazardous decomposition

products

Welding fumes and gases cannot be classified simply. The composition and quantity of both are dependent upon the metal being welded, the process, procedure and electrodes used. Other conditions which also influence the composition and quantity of the fumes and gases to which workers may be exposed include: coatings on the metal being welded (such as paint, plating, or galvanizing), the number of welders and the volume of the worker area, the quality and amount of ventilation, the position of the welder's head with respect to the fume plume, as well as the presence of contaminants in the atmosphere (such as chlorinated hydrocarbon vapors from cleaning and degreasing activities).

When the electrode is consumed, the fume and gas decomposition products generated are different in percent and form from the ingredients listed in Section 3. Decomposition products of normal operation include those originating from the volatilization, reaction, or oxidation of the materials shown in Section 3, plus those from the base metal and coating, etc., as noted above. Reasonably expected fume constituents produced during arc welding include the oxides of iron, manganese and other metals present in the welding consumable or base metal. Hexavalent chromium compounds may be in the welding fume of consumables or base metals which contain chromium. Gaseous and particulate fluoride may be in the welding fume of consumables which contain fluoride.

Gaseous reaction products may include carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide. Ozone and nitrogen oxides may be formed by the radiation from the arc.

### 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation

Short-term (acute) overexposure to welding fumes may result in discomfort such as metal fume fever, dizziness, nausea, or dryness or irritation of nose, throat, or eyes. May aggravate pre-existing respiratory problems (e.g. asthma, emphysema). Long-term (chronic) overexposure to welding fumes can lead to siderosis (iron deposits in lung), central nervous system effects, bronchitis and other pulmonary effects.

Skin contact

Arc rays can burn skin. Skin cancer has been reported.

Eye contact

Arc rays can injure eyes.

Ingestion

Health injuries are not known or expected under normal use.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Short-term (acute) overexposure to welding fumes may result in discomfort such as metal fume fever, dizziness, nausea, or dryness or irritation of nose, throat, or eyes. May aggravate pre-existing respiratory problems (e.g. asthma, emphysema). Long-term (chronic) overexposure to welding fumes can lead to siderosis (iron deposits in lung), central nervous system effects, bronchitis and other pulmonary effects. Chronic overexposure to nickel fumes and hexavalent chromium can cause cancer. Some of the products contain silica quartz. Silica quartz is a listed carcinogen. Workers allergic to nickel may develop eczema or rashes. Prolonged exposure to welding fume may cause lung damage and various types of cancer, including lung, larynx and urinary tract.

### Information on toxicological effects

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### **Acute toxicity**

Fumes and gases can be dangerous to your health.

Organic polymers may be used in the manufacture of various welding consumables. Overexposure to their decomposition byproducts may result in a condition known as polymer fume fever. Polymer fume fever usually occurs within 4 to 8 hours of exposure with the presentation of flu like symptoms, including mild pulmonary irritation with or without an increase in body temperature. Signs of exposure can include an increase in white blood cell count. Resolution of symptoms typically occurs quickly, usually not lasting longer than 48 hours.

Overexposure to manganese fumes may affect the brain and central nervous system, resulting in poor coordination, difficulty speaking, and arm or leg tremor. This condition can be irreversible.

Chromates may cause ulceration, perforation of the nasal septum, and severe irritation of the bronchial tubes and lungs. Liver damage and allergic reactions, including skin rash, have been reported. Asthma has been reported in some sensitized individuals. Skin contact may result in irritation, ulceration, sensitization, and contact dermatitis. Chromates contain the hexavalent form of chromium. Hexavalent chromium and its compounds are on the IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer) and NTP (National Toxicology Program) lists as posing a cancer risk to humans.

| Components                   | Species | Test Results              |  |
|------------------------------|---------|---------------------------|--|
| Aluminium oxide (CAS 1344-2  | 8-1)    |                           |  |
| <u>Acute</u>                 |         |                           |  |
| Oral                         |         |                           |  |
| LD50                         | Rat     | > 5000 mg/kg/day          |  |
| Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3)     |         |                           |  |
| <u>Acute</u>                 |         |                           |  |
| Inhalation                   |         |                           |  |
| LC50                         | Rat     | 5410 mg/m³, 4 hours       |  |
| Oral                         |         |                           |  |
| LD50                         | Rat     | 3400 mg/kg bw/day         |  |
| Manganese (CAS 7439-96-5)    |         |                           |  |
| <u>Acute</u>                 |         |                           |  |
| Oral                         |         |                           |  |
| LD50                         | Rat     | 9000 mg/kg                |  |
| Molybdenum (CAS 7439-98-7)   |         |                           |  |
| <u>Acute</u>                 |         |                           |  |
| Dermal                       |         |                           |  |
| LD50                         | Rat     | 2000 mg/kg                |  |
| Inhalation                   |         |                           |  |
| LC50                         | Rat     | 1.93 - 5.84 mg/l, 4 hours |  |
| Oral                         |         |                           |  |
| LD50                         | Rat     | 2000 - 5000 mg/kg         |  |
| Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0)       |         |                           |  |
| <u>Acute</u>                 |         |                           |  |
| Inhalation                   |         |                           |  |
| NOAEC                        | Rat     | 10200 mg/l, 1 hours       |  |
| Oral                         |         |                           |  |
| LD50                         | Rat     | > 9000 mg/kg              |  |
| Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)      |         |                           |  |
| <u>Chronic</u>               |         |                           |  |
| Inhalation                   |         |                           |  |
| LOEC                         | Human   | 0.0563 mg/m3              |  |
| Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463- | 67-7)   |                           |  |
| <u>Acute</u>                 |         |                           |  |
| Oral                         |         |                           |  |
| LD50                         | Rat     | > 5000 mg/kg              |  |

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Zirconium dioxide (CAS 1314-23-4)

Acute Inhalation Aerosol

LC50 Rat > 4.3 mg/l, 4 Hours

Oral

LD50 Rabbit 5000 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation Not classified.
Serious eye damage/eye Not classified.

irritation

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Canada - Alberta OELs: Irritant

Aluminium oxide (CAS 1344-28-1) Irritant
Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3) Irritant
Molybdenum (CAS 7439-98-7) Irritant
Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7) Irritant
Zirconium dioxide (CAS 1314-23-4) Irritant

Respiratory sensitisation Not classified.

Skin sensitisation Not classified.

Germ cell mutagenicity Not classified.

Carcinogenicity Arc rays: Skin cancer has been reported. Prolonged exposure to welding fume may cause lung

damage and various types of cancer, including lung, larynx and urinary tract.

**ACGIH Carcinogens** 

Aluminium oxide (CAS 1344-28-1)

Manganese (CAS 7439-96-5)

Manganese oxide (CAS 1344-43-0)

Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0)

A4 Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

A4 Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

A5 Not suspected as a human carcinogen.

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7) A2 Suspected human carcinogen.

Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7)

A3 Confirmed animal carcinogen with unknown relevance to

humans.

Tripotassium Hexafluorosilicate (CAS 16871-90-2)

Zirconium dioxide (CAS 1314-23-4)

A4 Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

A4 Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

Canada - Alberta OELs: Carcinogen category

Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0) Confirmed human carcinogen.

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7) Suspected human carcinogen.

Canada - Manitoba OELs: carcinogenicity

Aluminium oxide (CAS 1344-28-1)

Manganese (CAS 7439-96-5)

Manganese oxide (CAS 1344-43-0)

Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

Not suspected as a human carcinogen.

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7) Suspected human carcinogen.

Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7)

Confirmed animal carcinogen with unknown relevance to humans.

Tripotassium Hexafluorosilicate (CAS 16871-90-2)

Zirconium dioxide (CAS 1314-23-4)

Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

Canada - Quebec OELs: Carcinogen category

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7) Suspected carcinogenic effect in humans.

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Chromium (CAS 7440-47-3) 3 Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.

Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0) 2B Possibly carcinogenic to humans.

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)

1 Carcinogenic to humans.

Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7) 2B Possibly carcinogenic to humans.

Tripotassium Hexafluorosilicate (CAS 16871-90-2) 3 Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.

US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

Nickel (CAS 7440-02-0) Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen.

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7) Known To Be Human Carcinogen.

Reproductive toxicity Not classified.

Specific target organ toxicity single exposure

Not classified.

Specific target organ toxicity -

Not classified.

repeated exposure

### **Aspiration hazard**

Due to the physical form of the product it is not an aspiration hazard.

**Chronic effects** 

Long-term (chronic) overexposure to welding fumes can lead to siderosis (iron deposits in lung), central nervous system effects, bronchitis and other pulmonary effects. Chromates may cause ulceration, perforation of the nasal septum, and severe irritation of the bronchial tubes and lungs. Liver damage and allergic reactions, including skin rash, have been reported. Asthma has been reported in some sensitized individuals. Skin contact may result in irritation, ulceration, sensitization, and contact dermatitis. Chromates contain the hexavalent form of chromium. Hexavalent chromium and its compounds are on the IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer) and NTP (National Toxicology Program) lists as posing a cancer risk to humans. Crystalline silica has been classified by IARC, NTP and ACGIH as a known human carcinogen and suspected human carcinogen respectively. Workers allergic to nickel may develop eczema or rashes.

**Further information** 

Short-term (acute) overexposure to welding fumes may result in discomfort such as metal fume fever, dizziness, nausea, or dryness or irritation of nose, throat, or eyes. May aggravate pre-existing respiratory problems (e.g. asthma, emphysema). Arc rays can injure eyes. Arc rays can burn skin.

### 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity** 

Not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms.

| omponents            |              | Species                   | Test Results                      |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| lolybdenum (CAS 74   | 39-98-7)     |                           |                                   |
| Aquatic              |              |                           |                                   |
| Algae                | EC50         | Algae                     | > 218 - < 2453.6 mg/l, 72 hours   |
|                      | LOEC         | Algae                     | > 310 - < 938 mg/l, 72 hours      |
|                      | NOEC         | Algae                     | > 27 - < 938 mg/l, 72 hours       |
| Acute                |              |                           |                                   |
| Crustacea            | EC50         | Aquatic invertebrates     | > 130.9 - < 2847.5 mg/l, 48 hours |
|                      | LC50         | Aquatic invertebrates     | > 1006 - < 2729 mg/l, 48 hours    |
|                      | NOEC         | Aquatic invertebrates     | 1653 mg/l, 48 hours               |
| Fish                 | LC50         | Fish                      | > 609.1 - < 681.4 mg/l, 96 hours  |
| Chronic              |              |                           |                                   |
| Crustacea            | NOEC         | Aquatic invertebrates     | > 393 - < 1564 mg/l, 14 days      |
|                      |              |                           | > 49.9 - < 377 mg/l, 21 days      |
|                      |              |                           | 26 mg/l, 20 days                  |
| ickel (CAS 7440-02-0 | 0)           |                           |                                   |
| Aquatic              |              |                           |                                   |
| Chronic              |              |                           |                                   |
| Crustacea            | NOEC         | Ceriodaphnia dubia        | 2.8 μg/l                          |
| Fish                 | NOEC         | Zebra danio (Danio rerio) | 40 μg/l                           |
| itanium dioxide (CAS | 13463-67-7)  |                           |                                   |
| Aquatic              |              |                           |                                   |
| Acute                | 5050         | D 1 :                     | . 400 // 4011                     |
| Crustacea            | EC50         | Daphnia magna             | > 100 mg/l, 48 Hours              |
| Fish                 | LL50         | Oryzias latipes           | > 100 mg/l, 96 Hours              |
| irconium dioxide (CA | S 1314-23-4) |                           |                                   |
| Aquatic              | F0F0         | Almaa                     | 0.040 400                         |
| Algae                | EC50         | Algae                     | 0.042 - 100 mg/l, 72 hours        |
|                      | NOEC         | Algae                     | 200 mg/l, 15 days                 |
|                      |              |                           | 0.004 - 32 mg/l, 72 hours         |

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Acute

Fish LC50 Fish 100 mg/l, 96 hours

Persistence and degradability

The product contains inorganic compounds which are not biodegradable.

Bioaccumulative potential No data available.

Mobility in soil Due to form of product, mobility in soil is not expected.

Mobility in general Not considered mobile.

Not available. Other adverse effects

### 13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal instructions** The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized whenever possible. When practical,

> recycle in an environmentally acceptable, regulatory compliant manner. Dispose of non-recyclable products in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, Provincial, and Local requirements.

Local disposal regulations Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Waste from residues / unused

products

Dispose in accordance with all local, provincial, state and federal regulations.

Contaminated packaging Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is

emptied.

### 14. Transport information

**TDG** 

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IATA** 

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IMDG** 

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

Transport in bulk according to Not applicable.

Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and

the IBC Code

15. Regulatory information

Canadian regulations This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the HPR and the SDS

contains all the information required by the HPR.

**Controlled Drugs and Substances Act** 

Not regulated.

Export Control List (CEPA 1999, Schedule 3)

Not listed

**Greenhouse Gases** 

Not listed.

**Precursor Control Regulations** 

Not regulated.

International regulations

**Stockholm Convention** 

Not applicable.

**Rotterdam Convention** 

Not applicable.

**Kyoto Protocol** 

Not applicable.

**Montreal Protocol** 

Not applicable.

**Basel Convention** 

Tripotassium Hexafluorosilicate (CAS 16871-90-2)

### International Inventories

On inventory (yes/no)\* Country(s) or region Inventory name

Australia Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AICIS) Yes Canada Domestic Substances List (DSL) Yes

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Substances (EINECS)

European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS) Europe No Japan Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS) No Existing Chemicals List (ECL) Korea Yes New Zealand New Zealand Inventory Yes **Philippines** No

Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

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Taiwan Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory (TCSI) Yes United States & Puerto Rico Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory Yes

### 16. Other information

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**Further information** 

The Maximum Fume Exposure Guideline™ (MFEG)™ is provided to assist with the management of workplace exposures where granular solid welding products or other materials are being utilized. The MFEG™ is an estimate of the level of total welding fume exposure for a given product above which the exposure limit for one of the fume constituents may be exceeded. The exposure limits referenced are the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) Threshold Limit Value (TLV®) and the U.S. OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL) whichever limit is lower. The MFEG™ never exceeds 5.0 mg/m3 which is the maximum recommended exposure limit for total welding fume. The MFEG™ is intended to serve as a general guideline to assist in the management of workplace exposure to welding fume and does not replace the regular measurement and analysis of worker exposure to individual welding fume constituents.

The Maximum Dust Exposure Guideline™ (MDEG)™ is provided to assist with the management of workplace exposures where granular solid welding products or other materials are being utilized. It is derived from relevant compositional data and estimates the lowest level of total airborne dust exposure, for a given product, at which some specific constituent might potentially exceed its individual exposure limit. The specific exposure limits referenced are the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) Threshold Limit Value (TLV®) and the U. S. OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL), which ever value is the lowest. The MDEG™ is never greater than 10.0 mg/m³ as this is the airborne exposure guideline for total particulate (total dust). MDEG™ is intended to serve as a general guideline to assist in the management of workplace exposure and does not replace the regular measurement and analysis of worker exposure to individual airborne dust constituents.

#### List of abbreviations

CAS: Chemical Abstract Service.

EC50: Effective Concentration, 50%.

GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals.

IATA: International Air Transport Association.

IBC Code: International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous

Chemicals in Bulk.

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IDLH: Immediately Dangerous To Life or Health. IMDG: International Maritime Dangerous Goods.

LC50: Lethal Concentration, 50%.

LD50: Lethal Dose, 50%. LL50: Lethal level, 50%.

LOEC: Lowest observable effect concentration.

MARPOL: International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships.

NOEC: No observed effect concentration. TDG: Transportation of Dangerous Goods.

TWA: Time Weighted Average.

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ACGIH Documentation of the Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure Indices (2011)

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<sup>\*</sup>A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s) A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

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