**Safety Data Sheet**

**Material Name:** Copper Nitrate, Aqueous Solution

**ID:** MRD-215

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### Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**Chemical Name:** Copper Nitrate, Aqueous Solution

**Product Use:** Various Industrial Applications

**Manufacturer Information**

Mineral Research & Development  
5910 Pharr Mill Road  
Harrisburg, NC 28075  
Phone: 704-454-4811  
Fax: 704-454-6507  
Emergency # CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300  
US and Canadian Shipping Only: 1-703-527-3887

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### Section 2 - Composition / Information on Ingredients

**Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1200.**

- Acute toxicity, Inhalation, Category 3
- Skin corrosion, Category 1B
- Serious eye damage/Irritation, Category 1
- Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure, Category 3 (respiratory system)
- Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure, Category 1 (liver)
- Hazard to aquatic life – Acute Hazard, Category 1
- Hazard to aquatic life – Chronic Hazard, Category 1

**GHS LABEL ELEMENTS**

**Symbol(s)**

![Symbols]

**Signal Word**

DANGER

**Hazard Statement(s)**

- May cause respiratory irritation.
- Toxic if inhaled.
- Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
- Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
- Very toxic to aquatic life.

**Precautionary Statement(s)**

**Prevention**

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not breathe vapor or mist. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear protective gloves/clothing and eye/face protection. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Avoid release to the environment.
Response
IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

Storage
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up.

Disposal
Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

*** Section 3 - Hazards Identification ***

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Component Related Regulatory Information
This product may be regulated, have exposure limits or other information identified as the following: Copper (7440-50-8), Copper compounds, n.o.s., Copper (inorganic salts), Water Dissociable Nitrate Compounds.

Component Information/Information on Non-Hazardous Components
This product is considered hazardous under 29 CFR 1910.1200 (Hazard Communication).

Emergency Overview
This product is a medium to dark blue liquid with an acrid odor. This product is an oxidizer in is dry form. This product is an irritant and has a corrosive potential. Contact with mists, sprays or liquid product can severely irritate or burn eyes, skin, and other contaminated tissue. Eye contact may cause blindness. Severe inhalation and ingestion overexposures may be fatal.

Potential Health Effects: Eyes
Contact with the eyes will cause irritation, pain, reddening, and may result in blindness depending on the duration.

Potential Health Effects: Skin
This product is moderately irritating to the skin and other contaminated tissue. Depending on the duration of contact, symptoms will include reddening, discomfort, irritation, ulceration, and chemical burns. Prolonged and/or repeated skin contact with this product may cause irritation/dermatitis. Skin absorption is not a significant route of overexposure.

Potential Health Effects: Ingestion
Ingestion of this product can be harmful or fatal. Immediately upon contact, this product will cause irritation and burns of the mouth, throat, esophagus, and other tissues of the digestive system. Overexposure symptoms include: drowsiness, confusion, difficulty swallowing, a burning sensation in the esophagus and stomach, intense thirst, nausea, abdominal pain, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach perforation, bloody stools or urine, convulsions, and collapse. Large quantity ingestion may be fatal.

Potential Health Effects: Inhalation
Inhalation of vapors, mists, or sprays of this product may irritate the nose, throat, and lungs. Symptoms may include: sneezing, coughing and difficulty breathing. Severe overexposures can result in pulmonary edema, pneumonitis, and death.
Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Description of Necessary Measures**

**Eyes**

In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with large amounts of water, continuing to flush for 15 minutes. Have contaminated individual “roll” their eyes. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Skin**

Immediately take off all contaminated clothing. For skin contact, flush with large amounts of water. If irritation persists, get medical attention.

**Ingestion**

Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician immediately.

**Inhalation**

Move person to non-contaminated air. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.

**Notes to Physician**

Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.

**Most Important Symptoms/Effects**

**Acute**

Eyes

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Skin

This product is moderately irritating to the skin and other contaminated tissue. Depending on the duration of contact, symptoms will include reddening, discomfort, irritation, ulceration, and chemical burns. Prolonged and/or repeated skin contact with this product may cause irritation/dermatitis. Skin absorption is not a significant route of overexposure.

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**HMIS Ratings:** Health: 3 Fire: 0 Physical Hazard: 0

Hazard Scale: 0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe * = Chronic hazard

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**General Fire Hazards**

This product is an aqueous mixture, which will not burn. If evaporated to dryness, the solid residue may pose a slight fire hazard. This product is an oxidizing agent, which may cause spontaneous ignition of combustible materials.
Hazardous Combustion Products
Decomposition of this product may produce acrid vapors, copper compounds, and oxides of nitrogen.

Extinguishing Media
Use any media suitable for the surrounding fires.

Fire Fighting Equipment/Instructions
Fire fighters should wear full-face, self-contained breathing apparatus and impervious protective clothing. Fire fighters should avoid inhaling any combustion products.

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

*** Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures ***

Containment Procedures
Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean up. Contain the discharged material and dike the spilled material where possible. Prevent entry into sewers, drains, underground or confined spaces, water intakes and waterways. Avoid contact with combustible materials.

Clean-Up Procedures
Absorb spill with inert material. Shovel material into appropriate container for disposal.

Evacuation Procedures
Isolate area. Keep unnecessary personnel away.

Special Procedures
Follow all Local, State, Federal and Provincial regulations for disposal.

*** Section 7 - Handling and Storage ***

Handling Procedures
Do not get this material in your eyes, on your skin, or on your clothing. Avoid breathing vapors or mists of this product. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or use tobacco products when handling this material. Use this product with adequate ventilation. Launder work clothes frequently. See Section 8 for appropriate protective clothing, equipment and air monitoring procedures.

Open containers slowly, on a stable surface. Containers of this product must be properly labeled. Empty containers may contain residual liquid or vapors. Empty containers should be handled with care.

Storage Procedures
Store containers in a cool, dry location, away from direct sunlight, sources of intense heat, or where freezing is possible. Store away from incompatible materials (see SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity). Material should be stored in secondary containers, or in a diked area, as appropriate. Keep container tightly closed when not in use. Inspect all incoming containers before storage, to ensure containers are properly labeled and not damaged.

*** Section 8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection ***

A: Component Exposure Limits

Cupric nitrate (3251-23-8)

ACGIH: 0.2 mg/m³ TWA (fume); 1 mg/m³ TWA (dusts and mists, as Cu) (related to Copper)
OSHA: 0.1 mg/m³ TWA (fume, dusts, mists as Cu) (related to Copper)
Vacated: OSHA Final: 0.1 mg/m³ TWA (fume); 1 mg/m³ TWA (dusts and mists) (related to Copper)
NIOSH: 1 mg/m³ TWA (dust and mist) (related to Copper)
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Nitric acid (7697-37-2)

ACGIH: 2 ppm TWA
4 ppm STEL

OSHA: 2 ppm TWA; 5 mg/m3 TWA
Vacated: 4 ppm STEL; 10 mg/m3 STEL
OSHA Final: 2 ppm TWA; 5 mg/m3 TWA
NIOSH: 2 ppm TWA; 5 mg/m3 TWA
4 ppm STEL; 10 mg/m3 STEL

Engineering Controls
Provide adequate local exhaust ventilation to maintain worker exposure below exposure limits.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Personal Protective Equipment: Eyes/Face
Wear safety glasses; chemical goggles (if splashing is possible).

Personal Protective Equipment: Skin
Use impervious gloves. Use of an impervious apron is recommended.

Personal Protective Equipment: Respiratory
Respiratory protection; not normally required for ambient air concentrations not exceeding the Occupational Exposure Limit. When respiratory protection is required, wear a NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full-face piece operated in a positive-pressure mode.

Personal Protective Equipment: General
Eyewash fountains and emergency showers are required.

*** Section 9 - Physical & Chemical Properties ***

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*** Section 10 - Chemical Stability & Reactivity Information ***

Chemical Stability
Stable under normal conditions.

Chemical Stability: Conditions to Avoid
Avoid exposure to extreme temperatures, contact with incompatible chemicals, and all contact with combustible materials.
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Incompatibility
Strong bases, active metals (e.g., sodium, potassium), cyanide compounds, flammable and combustible materials, strong reducing agents, finely powdered metals.

Hazardous Decomposition
Copper compounds and nitrogen oxides.

Hazardous Polymerization
Will not occur.

*** Section 11 - Toxicological Information ***

Acute and Chronic Toxicity
A: General Product Information
This product is an irritant. Depending on the duration, contact can mildly to severely irritate the eyes, skin, mucous membranes, and any other exposed tissue. Inhalation may cause irritation of the respiratory system with coughing and difficulty breathing. Skin contact may cause blisters and scars. Eye contact may cause blindness. Severe inhalation and ingestion overexposures may be fatal.

B: Component Analysis - LD50/LC50
Cupric nitrate (3251-23-8)
Oral LD50 Rat: 794 mg/kg
100 mg/m3 IDLH (dust, fume and mist) (related to Copper)

Nitric acid (7697-37-2)
Inhalation LC50 Rat: 7 mg/L/4H
25 ppm IDLH

Carcinogenicity
A: General Product Information
No carcinogenicity data available for this product.

B: Component Carcinogenicity
None of this product's components are listed by ACGIH, IARC, OSHA, NIOSH, or NTP.

Other Toxicological Information
Target Organs: Skin, eyes, respiratory system

*** Section 12 - Ecological Information ***

Ecotoxicity
A: General Product Information
In high concentrations, this product may be dangerous to aquatic life and fouling to shorelines.

B: Component Analysis - Ecotoxicity - Aquatic Toxicity
Cupric nitrate (3251-23-8)

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Environmental Fate
Due to the low pH associated with this product, plants contaminated with this product may be adversely affected or destroyed. Animals contaminated with this solution may be severely injured or killed.

** * Section 13 - Disposal Considerations * **

US EPA Waste Number & Descriptions
A: General Product Information
Wastes must be tested using methods described in 40 CFR Part 261 to determine if it meets applicable definitions of hazardous wastes. As packaged this product is a D002 corrosive waste [40 CFR 261.21(a)(4)]; applicable to wastes consisting only of this product.

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

Disposal Instructions
Dispose of waste material according to Local, State, Federal, and Provincial Environmental Regulations.

** * Section 14 - Transportation Information * **

US DOT Information
Shipping Name: Corrosive liquid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Copper nitrate, nitric acid)
UN/NA #: UN3264  Hazard Class: 8  Packing Group: II
Required Label(s): Corrosive
Response Guide #: 154

Canada Transportation of Dangerous Goods Information
Shipping Name: Corrosive liquid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Copper nitrate, nitric acid)
UN/NA #: UN3264  Hazard Class: 8  Packing Group: II
Required Label(s): Corrosive

International Maritime Dangerous Goods Information
Shipping Name: Corrosive liquid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Copper nitrate, nitric acid)
UN/NA #: UN3264  Hazard Class: 8  Packing Group: II
Required Label(s): Corrosive
EMS: S-B, F-A

** * Section 15 - Regulatory Information * **

US Federal Regulations
A: General Product Information
Components of this product have been checked against the non-confidential TSCA inventory by CAS Registry Number. Components not identified on this non-confidential inventory are exempt from listing (i.e. as polymers) or are listed on the confidential inventory as declared by the supplier.

B: Component Analysis
This material contains one or more of the following chemicals required to be identified under SARA Section 302 (40 CFR 355 Appendix A), SARA Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65) and/or CERCLA (40 CFR 302.4).
Cupric nitrate (3251-23-8)
SARA 313: 1.0 % de minimis concentration (related to Copper)
1.0 % de minimis concentration (Chemical Category N511) (related to Water Dissociable Nitrate Compounds)
CERCLA: 100 lb final RQ; 45.4 kg final RQ
Nitric acid (7697-37-2)
SARA 302: 1000 lb TPQ
SARA 313: 1.0 % de minimis concentration
CERCLA: 1000 lb final RQ; 454 kg final RQ

C: Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
This material contains the following chemicals present on either the Listing of Pesticide Chemicals (40 CFR 180) or Pesticides Classified for Restricted Use as listed by FIFRA:
Cupric nitrate (3251-23-8)
FIFRA Section number 180.538 (related to Copper)

D: Component Marine Pollutants
This material contains one or more of the following chemicals required by US DOT to be identified as marine pollutants.

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SARA 311/312: Acute Health Yes Chronic Health No Fire No Pressure No Reactive Yes

State Regulations
A: General Product Information
Other state regulations may apply. Check individual state requirements.

B: Component Analysis - State
The following components appear on one or more of the following state hazardous substances lists:

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Component Analysis - WHMIS IDL
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Additional Regulatory Information
A: General Product Information
No additional information available.

B: Component Analysis - Inventory

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*** Section 16 - Other Information ***

Summary of Changes
New SDS: 5/11/2015

Key/Legend
ACGIH = American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists; AU = Australia; BOD - Biochemical Oxygen Demand; C - Celsius; CA - Canada; CAS = Chemical Abstracts Service; CERCLA = Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; CFR = Code of Federal Regulations; CN = China;
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CPR = Controlled Products Regulations; DOT = Department of Transportation; DSL = Domestic Substances List; EINECS = European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances; ELINCS = European List of Notified Chemical Substances; EmS = Emergency Response Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods; EPA = Environmental Protection Agency; EU = European Union; F = Fahrenheit; HEPA = High Efficiency Particulate Air; HMIS = Hazardous Material Information System; HPV = High Production Volume Chemical (EU); IARC = International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA = International Air Transport Association; ICL = In Commerce List (Canada); IDL = Ingredient Disclosure List; IDLH = Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health; JP = Japan; KR = Korea; LEL = Lower Explosive Limit; MITI = Japan Ministry of International Trade and Industry; mg/Kg = milligrams per Kilogram; mg/L = milligrams per Liter; mg/m³ = milligrams per Cubic Meter; MSHA = Mine Safety and Health Administration; NA = Not Applicable or Not Available; NFPA = National Fire Protection Association; NIOSH = National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health; NJTSR = New Jersey Trade Secret Registry; NDSL = Non-Domestic Substances Inventory; NTP = National Toxicology Program; NZ = New Zealand; OSHA = Occupational Safety and Health Administration; PH = Philippines; RCRA = Resource Conversation & Recovery Act; RQ = Reportable Quantity; SARA = Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; STEL = Short Term Exposure Limit; TDG = Transport Dangerous Goods; TSCA = Toxic Substances Control Act; TWA = Time Weighted Average; UEL = Upper Explosive Limit; US = United States; WHMIS = Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System.

Other Information

Disclaimer: Supplier gives no warranty of merchantability or of fitness for a particular purpose. Any product purchased is sold on the assumption the purchaser will make his own tests to determine the quality and suitability of the product. Supplier expressly disclaims any and all liability for incidental and/or consequential property damage arising out of the use of this product. No information provided shall be deemed to be a recommendation to use any product in conflict with any existing patent rights. Read the Material Safety Data Sheet before handling product.

This is the end of MSDS # MRD-215