

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**MATHESON TRI-GAS, INC.**  
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**Basking Ridge, New Jersey 07920**  
**Information: 1-800-416-2505**

**Emergency Contact:**  
**CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300**  
**Calls Originating Outside the US:**  
**703-527-3887 (Collect Calls Accepted)**

**SUBSTANCE: 1,2-ETHANEDITHIOL**

**TRADE NAMES/SYNONYMS:**

1,2-DIMERCAPTOETHANE; DITHIOETHYLENE GLYCOL; DITHIOGLYCOL;  
ETHYLENEDIMERCAPTAN; A-ETHYLENE DIMERCAPTAN; S-ETHYLENE DIMERCAPTAN;  
ETHYLENE DITHIOGLYCOL; ETHYLENEDITHIOL; C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>S<sub>2</sub>; 00228532; RTECS KI3325000

**CHEMICAL FAMILY:** thiols

**CREATION DATE:** Oct 02 2002

**REVISION DATE:** Dec 11 2008

## 2. COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

**COMPONENT:** 1,2-ETHANEDITHIOL  
**CAS NUMBER:** 540-63-6  
**PERCENTAGE:** 100

## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**NFPA RATINGS (SCALE 0-4):** HEALTH=2 FIRE=2 REACTIVITY=0



**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:**

**COLOR:** colorless to yellow

**PHYSICAL FORM:** liquid

**ODOR:** irritating odor

**MAJOR HEALTH HAZARDS:** harmful if swallowed, central nervous system depression

**PHYSICAL HAZARDS:** Flash back hazard. Combustible liquid and vapor.

**POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:**

**INHALATION:**

**SHORT TERM EXPOSURE:** irritation, changes in body temperature, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, loss of

voice, chest pain, difficulty breathing, irregular heartbeat, headache, drowsiness, dizziness, loss of coordination, bluish skin color, lung congestion, blood disorders, kidney damage, liver damage, brain damage, convulsions, unconsciousness, coma

**LONG TERM EXPOSURE:** no information is available

**SKIN CONTACT:**

**SHORT TERM EXPOSURE:** irritation

**LONG TERM EXPOSURE:** irritation

**EYE CONTACT:**

**SHORT TERM EXPOSURE:** irritation

**LONG TERM EXPOSURE:** irritation

**INGESTION:**

**SHORT TERM EXPOSURE:** headache, drowsiness, dizziness, loss of coordination

**LONG TERM EXPOSURE:** no information is available

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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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**INHALATION:** If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. Get immediate medical attention.

**SKIN CONTACT:** Wash skin with soap and water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention, if needed. Thoroughly clean and dry contaminated clothing and shoes before reuse.

**EYE CONTACT:** Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.

**INGESTION:** If swallowed, drink plenty of water, do NOT induce vomiting. Get immediate medical attention. Induce vomiting only at the instructions of a physician. Do not give anything by mouth to unconscious or convulsive person.

**ANTIDOTE:** amyl nitrite, inhalation; sodium nitrite, intravenous; pyridoxine, intravenous; urea, intravenous. **CAUTION!** Get medical attention immediately.

**NOTE TO PHYSICIAN:** For inhalation, consider oxygen. For ingestion, consider gastric lavage.

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## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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**FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** Moderate fire hazard. The vapor is heavier than air. Vapors or gases may ignite at distant ignition sources and flash back. Vapor/air mixtures are explosive above flash point.

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** regular dry chemical, carbon dioxide, water, regular foam

Large fires: Use regular foam or flood with fine water spray.

**FIRE FIGHTING:** Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk. Cool containers with water spray until well after the fire is out. Do not attempt to extinguish fire unless flow of material can be stopped first. Flood with fine water spray. Do not scatter spilled material with high-pressure water streams. Cool containers with water spray until well after the fire is out. Apply water from a protected location or from a safe distance. Avoid inhalation of material or combustion by-products. Stay upwind and keep out of low areas.

**FLASH POINT:** 111 F (44 C) (CC)

**FLAMMABILITY CLASS (OSHA):** II

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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### **OCCUPATIONAL RELEASE:**

Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Reduce vapors with water spray. Small spills: Absorb with sand or other non-combustible material. Collect spilled material in appropriate container for disposal. Large spills: Dike for later disposal. Remove sources of ignition. Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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**STORAGE:** Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a tightly closed container. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.106. Grounding and bonding required. Keep separated from incompatible substances.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

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### **EXPOSURE LIMITS:**

#### **1,2-ETHANEDITHIOL:**

No occupational exposure limits established.

**VENTILATION:** Provide local exhaust ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

**EYE PROTECTION:** Wear splash resistant safety goggles. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area.

**CLOTHING:** Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing.

**GLOVES:** Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

**RESPIRATOR:** Under conditions of frequent use or heavy exposure, respiratory protection may be needed. Respiratory protection is ranked in order from minimum to maximum. Consider warning properties before

use.

Any chemical cartridge respirator with organic vapor cartridge(s).

Any chemical cartridge respirator with a full facepiece and organic vapor cartridge(s).

Any air-purifying respirator with a full facepiece and an organic vapor canister.

**For Unknown Concentrations or Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health -**

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

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

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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**PHYSICAL STATE:** liquid

**APPEARANCE:** opaque

**COLOR:** colorless to yellow

**ODOR:** irritating odor

**MOLECULAR WEIGHT:** 94.19

**MOLECULAR FORMULA:** H-S-C-H<sub>2</sub>-C-H<sub>2</sub>-S-H

**BOILING POINT:** 295 F (146 C)

**FREEZING POINT:** -42 F (-41 C)

**VAPOR PRESSURE:** 4.8 mmHg @ 20 C

**VAPOR DENSITY (air=1):** >1

**SPECIFIC GRAVITY (water=1):** 1.1243

**WATER SOLUBILITY:** insoluble

**PH:** Not available

**VOLATILITY:** 100%

**ODOR THRESHOLD:** Not available

**EVAPORATION RATE:** Not available

**COEFFICIENT OF WATER/OIL DISTRIBUTION:** Not available

**SOLVENT SOLUBILITY:**

**Miscible:** alcohol, ether, acetone, benzene

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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**REACTIVITY:** Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Containers may rupture or explode if exposed to heat. Keep out of water supplies and sewers.

**INCOMPATIBILITIES:** metals, bases, oxidizing materials, reducing agents

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION:**

Thermal decomposition products: oxides of sulfur, carbon

**POLYMERIZATION:** Will not polymerize.

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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**1,2-ETHANEDITHIOL:**

**TOXICITY DATA:** 342 mg/kg oral-mouse LD50

**ACUTE TOXICITY LEVEL:**

Toxic: ingestion

**TARGET ORGANS:** central nervous system

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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**ECOTOXICITY DATA:**

**FISH TOXICITY:** 10000 ug/L 24 day(s) (Mortality) Northern squawfish (*Ptychocheilus oregonensis*)

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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**U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101:**

**PROPER SHIPPING NAME:** Mercaptans, liquid, flammable, n.o.s. (1,2-ETHANEDITHIOL)

**ID NUMBER:** UN3336

**HAZARD CLASS OR DIVISION:** 3

**PACKING GROUP:** III

**LABELING REQUIREMENTS:** 3



**CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS:**

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**CLASS:** 3

**PACKING GROUP/CATEGORY:** III

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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**U.S. REGULATIONS:**

**CERCLA SECTIONS 102a/103 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 302.4):** Not regulated.

**SARA TITLE III SECTION 302 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355 Subpart B):** Not regulated.

**SARA TITLE III SECTION 304 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355 Subpart C):** Not regulated.

**SARA TITLE III SARA SECTIONS 311/312 HAZARDOUS CATEGORIES (40 CFR 370 Subparts B and C):**

ACUTE: Yes

CHRONIC: No

FIRE: Yes

REACTIVE: No

SUDDEN RELEASE: No

**SARA TITLE III SECTION 313 (40 CFR 372.65):** Not regulated.

**OSHA PROCESS SAFETY (29 CFR 1910.119):** Not regulated.

**STATE REGULATIONS:**

**California Proposition 65:** Not regulated.

**CANADIAN REGULATIONS:**

**WHMIS CLASSIFICATION:** Not determined.

**NATIONAL INVENTORY STATUS:**

**U.S. INVENTORY (TSCA):** Listed on inventory.

**TSCA 12(b) EXPORT NOTIFICATION:** Not listed.

**CANADA INVENTORY (DSL/NDSL):** Not determined.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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