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: TRANS-1,2-DICHLOROETHYLENE

TRADE NAMES/SYNONYMS:  
MTG MSDS 196; TRANS-ACETYLENE DICHLORIDE; TRANS-DICHLOROETHYLENE; TRANS-1,2-DICHLOROETHENE; 1,2-DICHLOROETHYLENE; RCRA U079; C2H2CL2; MAT23670; RTECS KV9400000

CHEMICAL FAMILY: halogenated, aliphatic

CREATION DATE: Jan 24 1989  
REVISION DATE: Dec 11 2008

2. COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

COMPONENT: TRANS-1,2-DICHLOROETHYLENE  
CAS NUMBER: 156-60-5  
PERCENTAGE: 100.0

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

NFPA RATINGS (SCALE 0-4): HEALTH=2  FIRE=3  REACTIVITY=2

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:
COLOR: colorless  
PHYSICAL FORM: liquid  
ODOR: pleasant odor

MAJOR HEALTH HAZARDS: respiratory tract irritation, skin irritation, eye irritation, central nervous system depression

PHYSICAL HAZARDS: Flammable liquid and vapor. Vapor may cause flash fire. May react on contact with air, heat, light or water.

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:
INHALATION:
SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: irritation, nausea, vomiting, drowsiness, symptoms of drunkeness
LONG TERM EXPOSURE: no information on significant adverse effects
SKIN CONTACT:
SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: irritation
LONG TERM EXPOSURE: same as effects reported in short term exposure
EYE CONTACT:
SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: irritation
LONG TERM EXPOSURE: same as effects reported in short term exposure
INGESTION:
SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: symptoms of drunkenness
LONG TERM EXPOSURE: no information on significant adverse effects

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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 vomiting occurs, keep head lower than hips to help prevent aspiration. If person is unconscious, turn head to side. Get medical attention immediately.

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

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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

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. Stay away from the ends of tanks. For fires in cargo or storage area: Cool containers with water from unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles until well after fire is out. If this is impossible then take the following precautions: Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Let the fire burn. 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: Evacuation radius: 800 meters (1/2 mile). 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. Water may be ineffective.

FLASH POINT: 36 F (2 C) (CC)
LOWER FLAMMABLE LIMIT: 9.7%
UPPER FLAMMABLE LIMIT: 12.8%
AUTOIGNITION: 860 F (460 C)
FLAMMABILITY CLASS (OSHA): IB

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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. Notify Local Emergency Planning Committee and State Emergency Response Commission for release greater than or equal to RQ (U.S. SARA Section 304). If release occurs in the U.S. and is reportable under CERCLA Section 103, notify the National Response Center at (800)424-8802 (USA) or (202)426-2675 (USA).

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE


8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE LIMITS:
TRANS-1,2-DICHLOROETHYLENE:
1,2-DICHLOROETHYLENE (ALL ISOMERS):
200 ppm (790 mg/m3) OSHA TWA
200 ppm ACGIH TWA
200 ppm (790 mg/m3) NIOSH recommended TWA 10 hour(s)

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

EYE PROTECTION: Wear splash resistant safety goggles with a faceshield. 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:** The following respirators and maximum use concentrations are drawn from NIOSH and/or OSHA.
- 2000 ppm
- Any supplied-air respirator operated in a continuous-flow mode.
- Any powered, air-purifying respirator with organic vapor cartridge(s).
- Any air-purifying respirator with a full facepiece and an organic vapor canister.
- Any air-purifying full-facepiece respirator (gas mask) with a chin-style, front-mounted or back-mounted organic vapor canister.
- Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.
- Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece.
- Emergency or planned entry into unknown concentrations or IDLH conditions -
  - Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.
  - 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.

For **Escape** -
- Any air-purifying full-facepiece respirator (gas mask) with a chin-style, front-mounted or back-mounted organic vapor canister.
- Any appropriate escape-type, self-contained breathing apparatus.

**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**

**PHYSICAL STATE:** liquid
**COLOR:** colorless
**ODOR:** pleasant odor
**MOLECULAR WEIGHT:** 96.94
**MOLECULAR FORMULA:** C₂-H₂-Cl₂
**BOILING POINT:** 118°F (48°C)
**FREEZING POINT:** -58°F (-50°C)
**VAPOR PRESSURE:** 400 mmHg @ 31°C
**VAPOR DENSITY (air=1):** 3.34
**SPECIFIC GRAVITY (water=1):** 1.2565
**WATER SOLUBILITY:** slightly soluble
10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

REACTIVITY: May decompose on contact with air, light, moisture, heat or storage and use above room temperature. Releases toxic, corrosive, flammable or explosive gases.

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: bases, metals, combustible materials, oxidizing materials, acids

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION:
Thermal decomposition products: phosgene, halogenated compounds, oxides of carbon

POLYMERIZATION: May polymerize. Avoid contact with incompatible materials.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

TRANS-1,2-DICHLOROETHYLENE:
IRRITATION DATA: 500 mg/24 hour(s) skin-rabbit moderate; 10 mg eyes-rabbit moderate
TOXICITY DATA: 24100 ppm inhalation-rat LC50; >5 gm/kg skin-rabbit LD50; 1235 mg/kg oral-rat LD50
LOCAL EFFECTS:
Irritant: inhalation, skin, eye
ACUTE TOXICITY LEVEL:
Moderately Toxic: ingestion
Slightly Toxic: inhalation
TARGET ORGANS: central nervous system
MEDICAL CONDITIONS AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE: respiratory disorders
MUTAGENIC DATA: Available.
REPRODUCTIVE EFFECTS DATA: Available.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ECOTOXICITY DATA:
INVERTEBRATE TOXICITY: <110000 ug/L 48 hour(s) (Mortality) Water flea (Daphnia magna)
13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): U079.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101:
PROPER SHIPPING NAME: Trichlorobenzenes, liquid
ID NUMBER: UN2321
HAZARD CLASS OR DIVISION: 6.1
PACKING GROUP: III
LABELING REQUIREMENTS: 6.1

CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS:
SHIPPING NAME: Trichlorobenzenes, liquid
UN NUMBER: UN2321
CLASS: 6.1
PACKING GROUP/CATEGORY: III

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

U.S. REGULATIONS:
CERCLA SECTIONS 102a/103 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 302.4): 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: Yes
SUDDEN RELEASE: No

SARA TITLE III SECTION 313 (40 CFR 372.65):
1,2-DICHLOROETHYLENE (ALL ISOMERS)

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.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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