SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Mercury(I) Nitrate

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CHEMTREC Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-9300

Signal Word: DANGER

SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard class: Acute toxicity, oral and inhalation (Category 2). Fatal if swallowed or inhaled (H300+H330). Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product (P270). Do not breath dust or fumes (P260).

Hazard class: Acute toxicity, dermal (Category 1). Fatal in contact with skin (H310).

Hazard class: Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Category 1). May cause damage to the kidneys, nerves, gastrointestinal tract, blood, and liver through prolonged or repeated exposure if inhaled, ingested, or absorbed through the skin (H373).

Hazard class: Hazardous to the aquatic environment, acute and chronic toxicity (Category 1). Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects (H410). Avoid release to the environment (P273).

SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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Synonym: Mercurous nitrate

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician (P310).
If inhaled: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.
If on skin: Gently wash with plenty of soap and water (P302 + P350).
If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable solid.
Strong oxidant. May explode if heated. Fire hazard when in contact with combustible materials.
When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.
In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

NFPA Code: H - 4, F - 0, R - 0

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Remove all ignition sources and water. Do not allow solid to become airborne. Ventilate area. Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Wash spill site after material pickup is complete. Do not let product enter drains. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.
**SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**


**SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection (P280). Wash hands thoroughly after handling (P264). Use only in a hood or well-ventilated area (P271).

Exposure guidelines: PEL 0.1 mg/m³ (OSHA); TLV 0.025 mg/m³ (ACGIH) Readily absorbed through the skin.

**SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

- Small colorless crystals. Odorless.
- Soluble: Small quantities of warm water.
- Melting point: 70 °C
- Specific gravity: 4.785

**SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid contact with ammonia and other alkali, strong reducing agents such as metals, and combustible organic materials. Material will sublime and release mercury vapor and toxic fumes of NOx when heated to decomposition.

Shelf life: Keep well-closed and protected from light. See Section 7 for further information.

**SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

- Acute effects: Highly toxic, irritant, sensitizer
- Chronic effects: Neurotoxic effects, neurological hazards
- Target organs: Kidneys, nerves, GI system, blood
- ORL-RAT LD₅₀: 170 mg/kg
- IHL-RAT LC₅₀: N.A.
- SKN-RAT LD₅₀: 2330 mg/kg

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

**SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects. Avoid release into the environment.

**SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #27f is one option.

**SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping name: Mercurous nitrate; Hazard class: 6.1, Poison; UN number: UN1627

N/A = Not applicable

**SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA-listed, RCRA code D001, D009.

**SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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