SECTION I - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product: Knauf Unbonded Blowing Wool

Trade Designations: Summit®, Jet Stream®, Black Label, Perimeter Plus™

Manufacturer: Knauf Insulation GmbH

Date Issued: March 1, 2006

Address: One Knauf Drive

Shelbyville, IN 46176-1496

Product Stewardship Support Line: 317-398-4434, x8102

24 hr Emergency (Chemtrec) Phone: 800-424-9300

SECTION II - COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Name | CAS Number | % | TLV | PEL
---|---|---|---|---
Fibrous Glass | 65997-17-3 | 98-99 | 1 fiber/cc | 1 fiber /cc
Non-hazardous de-dusting oil | | 1-2 | None | None

Key: TLV = ACGIH, 8 hr. time weighted average (TWA); PEL = OSHA permissible exposure limit.

TLV and PEL limits are for respirable fibers length <5um, diameter >3um, aspect ratio <5:1 (NIOSH 7400B Method)

SECTION III - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview: The 2002 Monograph issued by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) removed fiber glass wool from its' list of possible carcinogens (Group 2B). It is now classified as Group 3, not classifiable as to human carcinogenicity.

OSHA and other U.S. government agencies require that a warning label be placed on this product. This warning identifies a possible hazard while not identifying the degree of risk. OSHA regulations do not require respiratory protection as long as the exposure to fiber glass wool does not exceed 1 fiber/cubic centimeter (f/cc) TWA (8 hour time weighted average). Fiber Glass wool exposure in the home, commercial buildings, and manufacturing facilities are generally found to be less than 1 f/cc. Installers of blowing wool in an enclosed space such as an attic may experience respirable fiber exposures higher than 1 f/cc. Installers and fabricators should be aware of their exposure levels and take appropriate actions if needed per recommended work practices. Knauf STRONGLY recommends following all safe work practices while working with and/or installing fiber glass wool products.

HMIS Rating: Health: 1 Fire: 0 Reactivity: 0 Protection: E

Primary Routes of Entry: Via respirable fibers to the lungs and respiratory system and airborne fibers to the skin and eyes.

Primary Target Organs: Lungs, respiratory system, skin and eyes.
SECTION III - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Potential Health Effects:

**Acute:** Mechanical irritation of the skin, eyes and upper respiratory system.

**Chronic:** A 1987 epidemiological study of more than sixteen thousand U.S. man-made vitreous fiber manufacturing workers has shown no statistically significant increased risks of malignant or non-malignant diseases. A 1990 update of this study reported a small, statistically significant increase in respiratory cancer among workers when compared with the populations in their communities. Confounding factors such as smoking, exposure to other hazardous materials, etc., are thought to be responsible for this small apparent increase. An expanded study is currently underway to investigate other possible contributing factors.

**Skin Contact:** There are confirmed reports of contact dermatitis.

**Eye Contact:** A mechanical irritant which can cause moderate to severe eye irritation.

**Ingestion:** Non-hazardous when ingested. Potentially a mild irritant to the GI tract if excessive quantity is ingested.

**Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure:** Pre-existing chronic upper respiratory and lung diseases such as, but not limited to, bronchitis, emphysema and asthma. Skin disease such as dermatitis

**Carcinogenicity:** While no longer listed as a possible carcinogen by IARC, respirable glass wool fibers are classified by NTP as Group IIB, (reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen). Fiber glass wool is classified as a nuisance dust by OSHA.

SECTION IV - FIRST AID MEASURES

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air. Drink water to clear throat and blow nose to evacuate dust. If coughing and irritation develop, call a physician.

**Eye Contact:** Flush with large amounts of water until irritation subsides, as least 15 minutes. See a physician if irritation persists.

**Skin Contact:** Normal good personal hygiene practices. Wash with mild soap and warm water after each exposure.

**Ingestion:** Emergency procedures not normally required. May be a temporary irritant to the GI system.

SECTION V - FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

**NFPA Rating:** Health: 1 Fire: 0 Reactivity: 0 Other: 0

**Extinguishing Method:** Use water, foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

**Special Firefighting Procedures:** Wear self contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing. Dense smoke may limit visibility in enclosed areas.

**Fire or explosion Hazards:** None
SECTION VI - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Clean-up Procedures: Pick up or shovel material into waste container taking care to minimize dust and fiber generation. Vacuum clean-up is preferred. If sweeping is required use a dust suppressant.

Personal Precautions: If dusty conditions exist, wear a face mask approved for use with dusts such as 3M 8210, N95 or equivalent.

Environmental Precautions: This product is not regulated under RCRA Hazardous Waste Regulations. May be disposed in landfill. Comply with federal, state and local regulations.

SECTION VII - HANDLING AND STORAGE

Storage Requirements: Store in dry area. Keep area clean. Vacuum clean dust. Use a dust suppressant if sweeping is necessary.

Special Sensitivity or Incompatibility: Hydrofluoric acid will react with and dissolve glass.

Handling Precautions: Assure proper respiratory protection if dust potential exceeds PEL/TLV.

SECTION VIII - EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Controls: Maintain sufficient mechanical or natural ventilation to assure fiber concentrations remain below PEL/TLV. Use local exhaust if necessary. Power equipment should be equipped with properly designed dust collection devices.

Respiratory Protection: Applicators and/or sprayers must wear a face mask approved for use with dusts such as 3M 8210, N95 or equivalent to protect against respirable glass wool fibers. For other activities, when over PEL/TLV wear an approved face mask such as 3M 8210, N95 or equivalent. Concentrations of fibers that exceed the recommendations of the mask manufacturer will need a higher level of respiratory protection, such as a half mask respirator with appropriate dust filters.

Eye Protection: Wear safety glasses with side shields, goggles or face shield when handing, installing or fabricating to protect eyes against dust and fibers.

Skin Protection (clothing): Long-sleeved, loose fitting clothes and head covering are recommended. Wash work clothes separately from other clothing, towels and linens to prevent fiber migration. Rinse washer thoroughly.

SECTION IX - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical Form: White fibrous product.

Melting Point: >1300°F

Specific Gravity: Variable

Solubility in Water: Insoluble

Pure/Mixture: Mixture

SECTION X - REACTIVITY

Stability: This is a stable, non-reactive product.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Thermal decomposition of the resin may include carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, and traces of carbon particulate.
SECTION XI - TOXICOLOGICAL/ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

LD$_{50}$: N/Av  
LC$_{50}$: N/Av  
Toxicological Hazards: See the Emergency overview on page 1, Section II.  
Ecological Hazards: No data exists for this product  
Teratogenicity, Mutagenicity, other Reproductive Effects: None known

SECTION XII - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal Method: This product is not regulated under RCRA Hazardous Waste Regulations. May be disposed in landfill. If unsure, contact the local office of the USEPA, your local public health department or the local landfill regulators.

SECTION XIII - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

US DOT Shipping Name: Not regulated  
DOT Label: None  
UN/NA Number: None

SECTION XIV - REGULATORY INFORMATION

OSHA Status: This product is considered hazardous under OSHA criteria.  
TSCA/CEPA Status: All components of this product are included in the TSCA and CEPA Chemical Inventories.  
CERCLA Reportable Quantity: N/Ap  
SARA Title III:  
    Section 302 Extremely Hazardous: This product contains no extremely hazardous substances as defined and listed in section #302.  
    Section 311/312 Hazard Categories: Reportable as a hazardous substance. Check with your Local Emergency Planning Committee for reportable quantities.  
    Section 313 Toxic Chemicals: This product does not contain substances which are reportable under Section 313.  
California Safe Drinking Water and toxic Enforcement Act (Prop. 65): Warning. This product contains the following substance known to the state to cause cancer: Glasswool, airborne particles of respirable size.  
Canada (WHMIS): This product is a class D2A controlled product under Canadian WHMIS regulations.

SECTION XV - APPROVALS

Reason for Issue: Add Perimeter Plus™  
Approval Date: March 1, 2006  
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SECTION XVI - DISCLAIMER

As of the date of this document, the foregoing information is believed to be accurate and is provided in good faith to comply with applicable federal and state laws. However, no warranty or representation of law or fact, with respect to such information, is intended or given.