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Section 1. Product and Company Identification

Product name: Ethylene glycol monobutyl ether

Synonyms: -

Recommended use and Restrictions on use: The solvent of Nitro-cellulose resin; Spray

enamel; Quick-drying enamel; Varnish; Enamel; Dry-cleaning compound; Varnish

remover; Fabric (avoid making the dots when printing or dyeing), Soluble The

common solvents of mineral oil in order to maintain homogenous of the soap

solution and to improve the emulsifying.

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Section 2. Hazards Identification

Classification:

- 1. Acute toxicity (Inhalation), Category 2
- 2. Acute toxicity (Skin), Category 3
- 3. Acute toxicity (Oral), Category 4
- 4. Flammable liquid, Category 4
- 5. Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Category 2A
- 6. Skin corrosion / irritation, Category 2
- 7. Toxic for reproduction, Category 2
- 8. Specific target organ systemic toxicity (single exposure), Category 2

Label elements:



Hazard pictograms: Toxicity, Health Hazards

Signal word: Danger

Hazard Statements:

- 1. Fatal if inhaled.
- 2. Toxic in contact with skin.
- 3. Harmful if swallowed.
- 4. Combustible liquid.



- 5. Causes serious eye irritation.
- 6. Causes skin irritation.
- 7. Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
- 8. May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Precautionary statements:

- 1. Wear appropriate protective clothing.
- 2. Keep containers in a well-ventilated place.
- 3. If contacted with eyes, flush with plenty of water before seek for medical attention.

Other Hazards: -

Section 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Pure substance

Chemical Name: Ethylene glycol monobutyl ether

Synonyms: Ethylene glycol monobutyl ether, Butyl cellosolve (R), Ethylene glycol n-butyl ether, 2-Butoxyethanol, EGBE

CAS NO.: 111-76-2

Weight: 100%

Section 4. First Aid Procedures

Description of first aid measures:

- Inhalation:
- 1. Eliminating the pollution source, or moving the affected people to breathe the fresh air.
- 2. If the patient stops breathing, give the patient artificial respiration.
- 3. Seek medical attention immediately.
- Skin contact:
- 1. In case of direct contact, flush eyes with clean water for at least 20 minutes.
- 2. Take off the contaminated clothes, shoes and paper ornaments (such as watch belt, belt).
- 3. Seek medical attention immediately.
- 4. Clean the pollutant clothes, shoes and paper ornaments before discard or use them.
- 5. Absorption through skin contact can reach the poisoning level.
- Eye contact:
- 1. Hold eye lid open, flush eyes with warm water at least 20 minute; avoid contaminating the other eye with the flushing water.
- 2. See a physician as soon as possible.
- Ingestion:



- 1. Do not induce vomiting or feed anything orally.
- 2. See a physician as soon as possible.

The most Important Symptoms and Hazardous Effects: Irritation; high concentration for several hours may cause upper respiratory tract irritation and the damage of liver and kidney.

Protection for emergency personnel: Apply appropriate personal protective equipment such as class C clothing to conduct first aid in a safety area.

Notes to Physicians: Consider gastric lavage while swallow the chemical.

Section 5. Firefighting Measures

Suitable extinguishing media: Carbon dioxide, Chemical powder, alcohol-resistant foam.

Special hazards during firefighting:

- 1. The vapors may accumulate at low-lying places.
- 2. The airtight container may break while being heated in the firing place.

Firefighting procedures:

- 1. Cooling down the tanks or the containers with mist could make the temperature lower than the flash point.
- 2. Move the container away from the firing place under the safety condition.
- 3. Spraying the mist to expel the vapors if the leaking substances are not lighted.
- 4. Large-scale fire in tanks area: use automatic kits controlling frame or auto-spraying nozzle until the fire be put off. Once the condition is out of control, try to withdrawal all members and let the fire burned out.
- 5. Staying away from the two sides of the tanks.
- 6. Immediately evacuate all people while the tank' s safety valve alarmed or color changed by firing.

Protective equipment for firefighters: The firemen should wear the respirators, chemical resistant clothes (if necessary, wearing the anti-flash coat coated with aluminum).

Section 6. Accidental Release Measures

Personal precautions:

1. Prohibit members from entering.

Environmental precautions:

- 1. Provide adequate protective apparatus, and ventilate the area.
- 2. Remove all sources of ignition.

Methods for cleaning up:

- 1. Only trained people can conduct the cleaning procedures.
- 2. Trying to stop or decrease the leakage under the safety circumstance.



- 3. To retrieve as possible, or use clay, sands and sawdust or other absorbent to absorb and collect.
- 4. Avoid the substance be flew to the sewer and drainage system.
- 5. Inform the authorities while mass of substances leak to the environment.
- 6. A small amount of leakage can be treated with some cleaning apparatus.

Section 7. Handling and Storage

Handling:

- 1. Operation should be conducted at well ventilated place and use the minimum dose.
- 2. Using the fire-proof vessels as possible.
- 3. Keep away from the heating source and sparks while handling.
- 4. Wear adequate protective equipment, in case that contact to eyes and skin.
- 5. Keep away from the sparks, heating source, and the common working area.
- 6. Using the exhaust machine and electrical apparatus which will not produce sparks.
- 7. The containers should be closed well and stored at the ground connection fire-proof closet.

Storage:

- 1. The containers should be closed well and stored at the ground connection fire-proof closet which located at the cool and well ventilated place.
- 2. It is better to store at the certificated safety container.
- 3. Use the solvent tolerant materials at the storage and operation area.

Section 8. Exposure controls

Engineering controls:

- 1. While handling a small amount of chemicals, use the local ventilation apparatus.
- 2. While handling a great quantity of chemicals isolate the workers or confined the process at the airtight space.

Control parameters			
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25 ppm	37.5 ppm	-	-

Personal protective equipment:

- Respiratory protection:
- 1. Below 50 ppm: Ventilation type of respiratory protective apparatus, respiratory protective apparatus with organic vapor filter container.
- 2. Below 125 ppm: Motive force air clean respiratory protection with organic vapor filter container or flow-fixing type ventilation breathing mask.
- 3. Below 250 ppm: Organic vapor filter tank of gas mask. Breathing apparatus with

organic vapor filter. Breathing apparatus with organic vapor filter, full-face airline supplied, self-contain air breathing apparatus.

- 4. Below 700 ppm: Full-face positive pressure self-contain air breathing apparatus.
- 5. Concentration unknown: Positive pressure full-face airline supplied plus positive pressure self-contain air breathing apparatus.
- 6. Life Saving: Gas mask with organic vapor filter. Life-saving type self-contain breathing apparatus.

• Hand protection: Impervious gloves composed of Butyl rubber, Saranex, or Viton is better.

• Eye protection: Chemical anti-splash spectacle. Face protective mask.

• Skin and physical protection: Coveralls working clothes and working boots composed of Butyl rubber, Saranex, or Viton.

Hygiene measures:

- 1. Take off the pollutant clothes quickly after the work, do not dress or abandon before cleaning, and the laundry must be informed the danger of the pollutants.
- 2. Forbid smoking or diet in the workplace.
- 3. After dealing with the material, washing hands thoroughly.
- 4. Keep the working place clean.

Section 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance: Colorless and sweet smell ether liquid	Odor: Moderate	
Odor threshold: 0.1 ppm (detection)	Melting point: -70.25°C	
рН: -	Boiling point/Boiling range: 170.8°C	
Flammability (solid, gas): -	Flash point: 62°C	
Decomposition temperature: -	Test method: close cup	
Auto-ignition temperature: 238°C	Explosion limits: 1.1% (93°C) ~ 12.7% (135°C)	
Vapor pressure: 0.76 mmHg (20°C)	Vapor density: 4.1 (air=1)	
Density: 0.9 (Water=1)	Solubility: Soluble with water	
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water, log	Volatility rate: 0.07 ~ 0.08 (Butyl	
K _{ow}): 0.8	acetate=1)	

Section 10. Stability and Reactivity

Chemical stability: Stable

Possibility of hazardous reactions:

- 1. Strong Oxidants, Strong base: possible violent reaction, with fire explosion hazards.
- 2. Rubber, plastic, or paint will corrupt the materials.



Conditions to avoid: Temperature higher than 62°C, sunlight and open flames.

Materials to avoid: Strong oxidants, Strong base, Rubber, plastic, paint.

Hazardous decomposition products: Peroxidase

Section 11. Toxicological Information

Exposure Route: Skin, inhalation, ingestion, eye.

Symptoms: Irritation, nausea, pain, swelling, unconsciousness, corneal injury.

Acute toxicity:

- Inhalation:
- 1. The chemical irritate the nose and pharyngeal, and makes the metal taste orally and headache.
- 2. Exposed to high concentration (300 ~ 600 ppm) for several hours will lead to the respiratory tract irritation, consciousness loss, damage to liver and kidney.
- Skin: Slightly irritation.

• Eyes:

- 1. The vapors will irritate eyes.
- 2. The liquid will make irritation, pain, swell and corneal damage for several days.
- Ingestion: The symptoms may be similar to the inhalation.
- LD₅₀ (animal test, entry): 470 mg/kg (rat, swallow); 220 mg/kg (rabbit, skin)
- LC₅₀ (animal test, entry): 486 ppm (rat, inhalation).

Chronic / Long-term toxicity:

- 1. The chemical might irritate respiratory tract and eyes, damage blood cells and develop blood urine.
- 2. In animal model, reproductive system damage developed.
- 3. 25 ppm/6 hour(s) (pregnant 6 ~ 15 days, female rats, inhalation), which makes the embryo abnormal.

Section 12. Ecological Information

Ecological toxicity:

- 1. LC₅₀ (fish): 1,490 mg /L/96 hours
- 2. EC₅₀ (aquatic invertebrates): -
- 3. Bioconcentration factor (BCF): -

Persistence and degradability: Because the chemical will not absorb UV, it is expected will not proceed photochemical reaction.

- Half-life (Air): 3.28 ~ 32.8 hours
- Half-life (Water surface): 168 ~ 672 hours
- Half-life (Groundwater): 336 ~ 1,344 hours
- Half-life (Soil): 168 ~ 672 hours

Bioaccumulative potential: No accumulation. The chemical substance can be



absorbed through the skin, lung, intestine, stomach, then metabolized and expelled.

Mobility in soil: -

Other adverse effects: -

Section 13. Disposal Considerations

Waste disposal:

- 1. Consult the relevant regulation to deal with.
- 2. Take specific sanitary landfills or incinerators processing method.

Section 14. Transport Information

United Nations Number (UN No.): 2810

UN Proper Shipping Name: Organic toxic liquid, N.O.S.

Transport Hazard classes: 6.1

Packaging Group: III

Marine pollutant (Yes/No): No

Specific Transport Measures and Precautionary Conditions: -

Section 15. Regulatory Information

Applicable Regulations:

- 1. Labor Safety and Health Law.
- 2. Regulation of Labeling and Hazard Communication of Dangerous and Harmful Materials.
- 3. Organic solvent poisoning prevention rules.
- 4. Harmful substances concentration permission standards in the labor working environment.
- 5. Road Traffic Safety Rules.
- 6. Industrial waste storage and disposal facilities standard.
- 7. Public Hazardous Substances & Flammable Pressurized Gases Establishment Standards & Safety Control Regulations.

Section 16. Other Information

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