

#### SAFETY DATA SHEET

According to Federal Regulation 29 CFR 1910.1200(g)(2)

## **SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company**

Product name: HORTA-SORB® LG, MD, SM
Type of product: Product is a superabsorbent polymer

1.1 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses: Water absorbent for industrial applications.

1.2 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company: Horticultural Alliance LLC. Address: 1550 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue Drive, East

Sarasota, FL 34243

United States
Telephone: 800-628-6373
Telefax: 888-386-4478

E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@horticulturalalliance.com">info@horticulturalalliance.com</a>

1.3 Emergency telephone numbers

24-hour emergency number: 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC (CNN 20412), Outside U.S. 703-527-3887

# **SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Hazard symbol (s):

Signal word:

None
Hazard statement(s):

None
Precautionary statement(s):

None

2.3 Other hazards

The product swells in water. The product, when wet, renders surfaces extremely slippery.

## **SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

Identification: Anionic polymeric dispersant in solution

# **SECTION 4: First Aid Measures**

Inhalation: Move to fresh air. No hazards which require special first aid measures.

Skin contact: Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and

persists.

Eye contact: Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In

case of persistent eye irritation, consult a physician.

Ingestion: Rinse mouth with water. Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention.

Other information: The product swells in water.

### **SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures**

Suitable extinguishing media: Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture: Spills produce slippery surfaces

Hazardous decomposition products:

Thermal decomposition may produce nitrogen oxides (NOx), carbon oxides (CO), Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid) may be produced in the event of combustion in an oxygen deficient atmosphere.

Protective measures: In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

### **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions: The product swells in water. The product when wet renders surfaces extremely slippery

Protective equipment: Wear adequate personal protective equipment (see Section 8 Exposure Controls/ Personal

Protection)

Emergency procedures Keep people away from spill/leak

6.2 Environmental precautions As with all chemical products, do not flush into surface water.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Small spills:

Do not flush with water. Clean up promptly by sweeping or vacuum. Keep in suitable,

closed containers for disposal.

Large spills:

Do not flush with water. Clean up promptly by sweeping or vacuum. Keep in suitable,

closed containers for disposal

Residues: After cleaning, flush away traces with water.

#### 6.4 Reference to other sections

Section 7: Handling and storage; Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection; Section 9: Physical and chemical properties; Section 13: Disposal considerations.

## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

Handling: Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wash hands.

Storage: Keep in a cool, dry place (0-35 C) Freezing will affect the physical condition with damage.

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

No special precautions required. The product swells in water. The product when wet renders surfaces extremely slippery.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities.

Keep in dry place. Keep container closed when not in use. Incompatible with strong acids and oxidizing agents.

### 7.3 Specific end use (s)

No information available.

### SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

#### 8.1 Control parameters

Occupational exposure limits:

None

#### 8.2 Exposure Controls:

### Appropriate engineering controls:

Use local exhaust if dusting occurs. Natural ventilation is adequate in absence of dusts.

### Individual protection measures such as personal protective equipment

a) Eye/face protection:

Safety glasses with side-shields

Skin protection:

Work clothes protecting arms, legs, and body.

b) Respiratory protection:

No personal respiratory protective equipment normally required

c) Additional advice:

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice

d) Hand protection:

PVC or other plastic material gloves

#### Environmental exposure controls:

Do not allow uncontrolled discharge of product into the environment.

# **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties:**

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance: Granular Solid, White

b) Odor: None Odor Threshold: Not applicable c) d) 5-8 @ 5 g/L pH: > 150°C Melting point/freezing point: e) f) Initial Boiling point and boiling range: Not Applicable Flash point: Not Applicable g)

h) Evaporation rate: Not Applicable
i) Flammability (solid, gas): Not data available

j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive

Limits: Not expected to create explosive atmospheres

k) Vapor pressure: Not Applicable
 l) Vapor density: Not Applicable
 m) Relative density: 0.6 - 0.9
 n) Solubility: Insoluble in water

o) Partition coefficient: -2

p) Autoignition temperature: Does not self-ignite (based on the chemical structure).

q) Decomposition temperature: >150°C r) Viscosity: Not Applicable

s) Explosive properties: Not expected to be explosive based on the chemical structure t) Oxidizing properties: Not expected to be oxidizing based on the chemical structure

#### 9.2 Other information

None

### **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

10.1 Reactivity None known

10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Oxidizing agents may cause exothermic reactions

10.4 Conditions to avoid

None known

10.5 Incompatible materials

Incompatible with strong acids and oxidizing agents

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Thermal decomposition may produce: nitrogen oxides (NOx), carbon oxides (COx), hydrogen cyanide (Hydrocyanic acid).

# **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

## 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Information on the product as supplied:

Acute oral toxicity: LD50/oral/rat> 5000 mg/kg Acute dermal toxicity: LD50/dermal/rat> 5000 mg/kg

Acute inhalation toxicity: The product is not expected to be toxic by inhalation

Skin corrosion/irritation:

Serious eye damage/eye irritation:

Respiratory/skin sensitization:

Mutagenicity:

Carcinogenicity:

Not irritating

Not irritating

Not sensitizing

Not mutagenic

Not carcinogenic

Reproductive toxicity: Not toxic for reproduction

STOT – single exposure: No known effects STOT – repeated exposure: No known effects

Aspiration hazard: No hazards resulting from the material as supplied

## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

### 12.1 Toxicity

Information on the product as supplied:

Acute toxicity to fish: LC50/Danio rerio/96 hours > 100 mg/L (OECD 203)

Acute toxicity to invertebrates: EC50/Daphnia magna/48 hours > 100 mg/L (OECD 202)

Acute toxicity to algae: IC50/Scenedesmus /72 hours > 100 mg/L (OECD 201)

Chronic toxicity to fish:

Chronic toxicity to invertebrates:

Toxicity to microorganisms:

Effects on terrestrial organisms:

Sediment toxicity:

No Data available

No known effects

No Data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability

### <u>Information on the product as supplied:</u>

Degradation: Not readily biodegradable Hydrolysis: Does not hydrolyze Photolysis: No data available

12.3 Bio accumulative potential

Information on the product as supplied:

Not bioaccumulating

Partition co-efficient (Long Pow): -2

Bioconcentration factor (BCF): No data available

12.4 Mobility in soil

Information on the product as supplied:

None

12.5 Other adverse effects.

None known

# **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

13.1 Waste treatment methods.

#### Waste from residues/unused products:

Dispose in accordance with local and national regulations. Can be landfilled or incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations.

## Contaminated packaging:

Dispose in accordance with local and national regulations. Can be landfilled or incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations.

#### Recycling:

The product and its packaging are not suitable for recycling.

### **SECTION 14: Transportation information**

Land transport (DOT) Not classified Sea transport (IMDG) Not classified Air transport (IATA) Not classified

# **SECTION 15: Regulatory information:**

15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture.

Information on the product as supplied:

### TSCA Chemical Substances Inventory:

All components of this product are either listed on the inventory or are exempt from listing.

# US SARA Reporting Requirements:

SARA (Section 311/312) hazard class:

Not concerned.

RCRA status:

Not RCRA hazardous.

# California Proposition 65 information

### NFPA and HMIS Ratings:

## NFPA:

Health: 0
Flammability: 0
Instability: 0



## **HMIS**:

Health: 0 Flammability: 0 Physical Hazard: 0 PPE Code: 0

This data sheet contains changes from the previous version in section(s):

SECTION 2. Hazards identification, SECTION 3. Composition/information on ingredients, SECTION 4. First aid measures, SECTION 11. Toxicological information, SECTION 16. Other Information.

Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet.

None

This SDS was prepared in accordance with the following:

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