

# **Safety Data Sheet**

15% VOL Methane, 15% VOL Carbon Dioxide; balance Nitrogen

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### **Section 1: Product and Company Identification**

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Product Code: 15% VOL Methane, 15% VOL Carbon Dioxide; balance Nitrogen

Part Number: 0361

Synonyms:

Recommended Use: Calibration of gas detection devices

Usage Restrictions: Do not use if current date is past expiration date on cylinder

### **Section 2: Hazards Identification**



Hazard Classification: Gases Under Pressure

Hazard Statements:

Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated

**Precautionary Statements** 

Storage:

Protect from sunlight. Store in well-ventilated place.

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### **Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients**

	CAS#	Concentration
Methane	74-82-8	15
Carbon Dioxide	124-38-9	15
Nitrogen	7727-37-9	70

	Chemical Substance	Chemical Family	Trade Names
Methane	METHANE, COMPRESSED GAS	Hydrocarbons, Aliphatic, Saturated	FIRE DAMP; MARSH GAS; METHYL HYDRIDE; NATURAL GAS; METHANE; UN 1971; R50; CH4
Carbon Dioxide	CARBON DIOXIDE, GAS	Inorganic gases	CARBONIC ACID GAS; CARBONIC ANHYDRIDE; CARBON DIOXIDE; CARBON OXIDE; UN 1013; CO2
Nitrogen	NITROGEN, COMPRESSED GAS	Inorganic gases	DIATOMIC NITROGEN; DINITROGEN; NITROGEN; NITROGEN-14; NITROGEN GAS; UN 1066; N2

# **Section 4: First Aid Measures**

	Skin Contact	Eye Contact	Ingestion	Inhalation	Note to Physicians
Methane	Wash exposed skin with soap and water.	Flush eyes with plenty of water.	If a large amount is swallowed, get medical attention.	If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Get immediate medical attention.	For inhalation, consider oxygen.
Carbon Dioxide	If frostbite or freezing occur, immediately flush with plenty of lukewarm water (105-115 F; 41-46 C). DO NOT USE HOT WATER. If warm water is not available, gently wrap affected parts in blankets. Get immediate medical attention.	Contact with liquid: Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.	Do not induce vomiting.	If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Get immediate medical attention.	For inhalation, consider oxygen.
Nitrogen	Wash exposed skin with soap and water.	Flush eyes with plenty of water.	If a large amount is swallowed, get medical attention.	If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Get immediate medical attention.	For inhalation, consider oxygen.

# **Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures**

	Suitable Extinguishing Media	Products of Combustion	Protection of Firefighters
Methane	Carbon dioxide, regular dry chemical Large fires: Use regular foam or flood with fine water spray.	Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, water	<ul> <li>Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or heavy exposure. Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.</li> <li>Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or heavy exposure. Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.</li> </ul>
Carbon Dioxide	Non-flammable	Non-flammable	<ul> <li>Any appropriate escape-type, self-contained breathing apparatus.</li> <li>Non-flammable</li> </ul>
Nitrogen	Non-flammable. Use suitable extinguishing media for surrounding fire. Cylinders may rupture or explode if exposed to heat.	Non-flammable	<ul> <li>Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or heavy exposure.</li> </ul>

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### **Section 6: Accidental Release Measures**

	Personal Precautions	Environmental Precautions	Methods for Containment
Methane	Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Ventilate closed spaces before entering.	Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition.	Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Reduce vapors with water spray. Remove sources of ignition.
Carbon Dioxide	Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Ventilate closed spaces before entering. Do not touch spilled material.	Subject to California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65). Keep out of water supplies and sewers.	Stop leak if possible without personal risk.
Nitrogen	Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Stay upwind and keep out of low areas.	No significant effects from contamination expected.	Stop leak if possible without personal risk.

	Methods for Cleanup	Other Information
Methane	Not available	Not available
Carbon Dioxide	Stop leak, evacuate, remove source of ignition.	None
Nitrogen	N/A	N/A

## Section 7: Handling and Storage

	Handling	Storage
Methane	Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Grounding and bonding required. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101.	Keep separated from incompatible substances.
Carbon Dioxide	Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101. Keep separated from incompatible substances.	Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards
Nitrogen	Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101.	Keep separated from incompatible substances.

### **Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

	Exposure Guidelines
Methane	METHANE, COMPRESSED GAS: ALIPHATIC HYDROCARBON GASES ALKANE (C1-C4): 1000 ppm ACGIH TWA METHANE:
	No occupational exposure limits established. ALIPHATIC HYDROCARBON GASES ALKANE (C1-C4): 1000 ppm ACGIH TWA
Carbon	CARBON DIOXIDE, GAS: CARBON DIOXIDE: 5000 ppm (9000 mg/m3) OSHA TWA 10000 ppm (18000 mg/m3) OSHA TWA
Dioxide	(vacated by 58 FR 35338, June 30, 1993) 30000 ppm (54000 mg/m3) OSHA STEL (vacated by 58 FR 35338, June 30, 1993) 5000
	ppm ACGIH TWA 30000 ppm ACGIH STEL 5000 ppm (9000 mg/m3) NIOSH recommended TWA 10 hour(s) 30000 ppm (54000
	mg/m3) NIOSH recommended STEL
Nitrogen	NITROGEN, COMPRESSED GAS: NITROGEN: ACGIH (simple asphyxiant)

### **Engineering Controls**

Handle only in fully enclosed systems.

	Eye Protection	Skin Protection	Respiratory Protection
Methane	Eye protection not required, but recommended.	Protective clothing is not required.	Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or heavy exposure. Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.
Carbon Dioxide	For the gas: Eye protection not required, but recommended. For the liquid: Wear splash resistant safety goggles. Contact lenses should not be worn. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area.	For the gas: Protective clothing is not required. For the liquid: Wear appropriate protective, cold insulating clothing.	Any appropriate escape-type, self-contained breathing apparatus.
Nitrogen	Eye protection not required, but recommended.	Protective clothing is not required.	Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or heavy exposure.

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#### **General Hygiene considerations**

- Avoid breathing vapor or mist
- Avoid contact with eyes and skin
- Wash thoroughly after handling and before eating or drinking

### **Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

	Physical State	State Appearance Co		Change in Appearance	Physical Form	Odor	Taste
Methane	Gas	Colorless	Colorless	N/A	Gas	Odorless	Tasteless
Carbon Dioxide	Gas	Colorless	Colorless	N/A	Gas	Odorless	Acid taste
Nitrogen	Gas	Clear	Colorless	N/A	Gas	Odorless	Tasteless

	Flash Point	Flammability	Partition Coefficient	Autoignition Temperature	Upper Explosive Limits	Lower Explosive Limits
Methane	-369 F (-223 C)	Not available	724.44 (log = 2.87) (estimated from water solubility)	999 F (537 C)	15%	5%
Carbon Dioxide	Not flammable	Not available	N/A	Nonflammable	Nonflammable	Nonflammable
Nitrogen	Not flammable	Not available	Not available	Nonflammable	Nonflammable	Nonflammable

	Boiling Point	Freezing Point	Vapor Pressure	Vapor Density	Specific Gravity	Water Solubility	рH	Odor Threshold	Evaporation Rate	Viscosity
Methane	-260 F (- 162 C)	-297 F (- 183 C)	760 mmHg @ -161 C	0.555 (Air=1)	Not applicable	3.5% @ 17 C	Not applicable	Not available	Not applicable	0.01118 cP @ 27 C
Carbon Dioxide	Not available	-71 F (-57 C) @ 4000 mmHg	43700 mmHg @ 21 C	1.5 (Air=1)	1.522 @ 21 C	Soluble	3.7 (saturated aqueous solution) @ 101.3 kPa (carbonic acid)	Not available	Not applicable	0.01657 cP @ 0 C
Nitrogen	-321 F (- 196 C)	-346 F (- 210 C)	760 mmHg @ -196 C	0.967 (Air=1)	Not applicable	1.6% @ 20 C	Not applicable	Not available	Not applicable	0.01787 cP @ 27 C

	Molecular Weight	Molecular Formula	Density	Weight per Gallon	Volatility by Volume	Volatility	Solvent Solubility
Methane	16.04	C-H4	0.717 g/L @ 0 C	Not available	Not applicable	Not applicable	Soluble: Alcohol, ether, benzene, organic solvents
Carbon Dioxide	44.01	C-O2	0.114	Not available	Not applicable	Not applicable	Soluble: Alcohol, acetone, hydrocarbons, organic solvents
Nitrogen	28.0134	N2	1.2506 g/L	Not available	100%	1	Soluble: Liquid ammonia

# Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

	Stability	Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible Materials
Methane	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Halogens, oxidizing materials, combustible materials
Carbon	Stable at normal temperatures	Stable at normal temperatures	Combustible materials, oxidizing materials, metal salts,
Dioxide	and pressure.	and pressure.	reducing agents, metal carbide, metals, bases
Nitrogen	Stable at normal temperatures	Stable at normal temperatures	Metals, oxidizing materials
	and pressure.	and pressure.	-

	Hazardous Decomposition Products	Possibility of Hazardous Reactions
Methane	Oxides of carbon	Will not polymerize.
Carbon Dioxide	Carbon monoxide	Will not polymerize.
Nitrogen	Oxides of nitrogen	Will not polymerize.

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## **Section 11: Toxicology Information**

#### **Acute Effects**

	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation
Methane	Not available	Not available	Nausea, vomiting, difficulty breathing, irregular heartbeat, headache, drowsiness, fatigue, dizziness, disorientation, mood swings, tingling sensation, loss of coordination, suffocation, convulsions, unconsciousness, coma
Carbon Dioxide	Not established	Not established	Ringing in the ears, nausea, irregular heartbeat, headache, drowsiness, dizziness, tingling sensation, visual disturbances, suffocation, convulsions, coma
Nitrogen	Not available	Not available	Nausea, vomiting, difficulty breathing, headache, drowsiness, dizziness, tingling sensation, loss of coordination, convulsions, coma

	Eye Irritation	Skin Irritation	Sensitization
Methane	No information on significant adverse effects	No information on significant adverse effects	Difficulty breathing
Carbon Dioxide	Irritation, frostbite, blurred vision	Liquid: blisters, frostbite	Difficulty breathing
Nitrogen	Contact with rapidly expanding gas may cause burns or frostbite	No information on significant adverse effects	Difficulty breathing

#### **Chronic Effects**

	Carcinogenicity	Mutagenicity	Reproductive Effects	Developmental Effects
Methane	Not available	Not available	Not available	No data
Carbon Dioxide	Not available	Not established	Available.	No data
Nitrogen	Not hazardous	Not available	Not available	No data

## **Section 12: Ecological Information**

**Fate and Transport** 

	Eco toxicity	Persistence / Degradability	Bioaccumulation / Accumulation	Mobility in Environment
Methane	Fish toxicity: Not available Invertibrate toxicity: Not available Algal toxicity: Not available Phyto toxicity: Not available Other toxicity: Not available	Relatively non-persistent in the environment. Moderately volatile from water.	Accumulates very little in the bodies of living organisms.	Not expected to leach through the soil or the sediment.
Carbon Dioxide	Fish toxicity: 150000 ug/L 48 day(s) (Mortality) Brown trout (Salmo trutta) Invertibrate toxicity: Not available Algal toxicity: Not available Phyto toxicity: Not available Other toxicity: Not available	Relatively non-persistent in the environment. Moderately volatile from water.	Accumulates very little in the bodies of living organisms.	Leaches through the soil
Nitrogen	Fish toxicity: Not available Invertibrate toxicity: Not available Algal toxicity: Not available Phyto toxicity: Not available Other toxicity: Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available

# **Section 13: Disposal Considerations**

Methane	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001.
Carbon	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.
Dioxide	
Nitrogen	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

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### **Section 14: Transportation Information**

#### U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101

### **DOT Information For This Mixture**

Shipping Name	Compressed gas, n.o.s. (Nitrogen, Carbon Dioxide)
UN Number	UN1956
Hazard Class	2.2
Hazard Information	Non-Flammable Gas

#### **Individual Component Information**

	Proper Shipping Name	ID Number	Hazard Class or Division	Packing Group	Labeling Requirements	Passenger Aircraft or Railcar Quantity Limitations	Cargo Aircraft Only Quantity Limitations	Additional Shipping Description
Methane	Methane, compressed	UN1971	2.1	Not applicable	2.1	Forbidden	150 kg	N/A
Carbon Dioxide	Carbon dioxide	UN1013	2.2	Not applicable	2.2	75 kg or L	150kg	None
Nitrogen	Nitrogen, compressed	UN1066	2.2	Not applicable	2.2	75 kg or L	150 kg	N/A

### **Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods**

	Shipping Name	UN Number	Class	Packing Group / Risk Group
Methane	Methane, compressed	UN1971	2.1	Not applicable
Carbon Dioxide	Carbon dioxide	UN1013	2.2	Not applicable
Nitrogen	Nitrogen, compressed	UN1066	2.2	Not applicable

# Section 15: Regulatory Information

### **U.S. Regulations**

	CERCLA Sections	SARA 355.30	SARA 355.40	
Methane	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	
Carbon Dioxide	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	
Nitrogen	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	

#### **SARA 370.21**

	Acute	Chronic	Fire	Reactive	Sudden Release
Methane	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Carbon Dioxide	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Nitrogen	Yes	No	No	No	Yes

#### **SARA 372.65**

Methane	Not regulated.
Carbon Dioxide	Not regulated.
Nitrogen	Not regulated.

#### **OSHA Process Safety**

Methane	Not regulated.
Carbon Dioxide	Not regulated.
Nitrogen	Not regulated.

### **State Regulations**

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	CA Proposition 65
Methane	Not regulated.
Carbon Dioxide	Not regulated.
Nitrogen	Not regulated.

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#### **Canadian Regulations**

	WHMIS Classification
Methane	A, B1
Carbon Dioxide	Α
Nitrogen	Α

#### **National Inventory Status**

	US Inventory (TSCA)	TSCA 12b Export Notification	Canada Inventory (DSL/NDSL)
Methane	Listed on inventory.	Not listed.	Listed on inventory.
Carbon Dioxide	Listed on inventory.	Not listed.	Listed on inventory.
Nitrogen	Listed on inventory.	Not listed.	Listed on inventory.

# **Section 16: Other Information**

	NFPA Rating
Methane	HEALTH=0 FIRE=4 REACTIVITY=0
Carbon Dioxide	HEALTH=3 FIRE=0 REACTIVITY=0 SPECIAL=SA
Nitrogen	HEALTH=0 FIRE=0 REACTIVITY=0 SPECIAL=SA

0 = minimal hazard, 1 = slight hazard, 2 = moderate hazard, 3 = severe hazard, 4 = extreme hazard

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