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## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### SECTION 1. CHEMICAL IDENTIFICATION

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CATALOG #:	34615
NAME:	Methyl benzoate
SYNONYMS:	Benzoic acid methyl ester
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### SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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#### CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE OR MIXTURE

**GHS CLASSIFICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**  
FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS (CATEGORY 4), H227  
ACUTE TOXICITY, ORAL (CATEGORY 4), H302  
SHORT-TERM (ACUTE) AQUATIC HAZARD (CATEGORY 3), H402

FOR THE FULL TEXT OF THE H-STATEMENTS MENTIONED IN THIS SECTION, SEE SECTION 16.

**GHS LABEL ELEMENTS, INCLUDING PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS  
PICTOGRAM**



SIGNAL WORD                      WARNING

**HAZARD STATEMENT(S)**

H227                      COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID.  
H302                      HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED.  
H402                      HARMFUL TO AQUATIC LIFE.

**PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENT(S)**

P210                      KEEP AWAY FROM HEAT/SPARKS/OPEN FLAMES/HOT SURFACES. - NO SMOKING.  
P264                      WASH SKIN THOROUGHLY AFTER HANDLING.  
P270                      DO NOT EAT, DRINK OR SMOKE WHEN USING THIS PRODUCT.  
P273                      AVOID RELEASE TO THE ENVIRONMENT.  
P280                      WEAR PROTECTIVE GLOVES/ EYE PROTECTION/ FACE PROTECTION.  
P301 + P312 + P330      IF SWALLOWED: CALL A POISON CENTER OR DOCTOR/ PHYSICIAN IF YOU FEEL UNWELL. RINSE MOUTH.  
P370 + P378              IN CASE OF FIRE: USE DRY SAND, DRY CHEMICAL OR ALCOHOL-RESISTANT FOAM FOR EXTINCTION.  
P403 + P235              STORE IN A WELL-VENTILATED PLACE. KEEP COOL.  
P501                      DISPOSE OF CONTENTS/ CONTAINER TO AN APPROVED WASTE DISPOSAL PLANT.

**HAZARDS NOT  
OTHERWISE  
CLASSIFIED (HNOC)  
OR NOT COVERED  
BY GHS**                      NONE

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**SECTION 3.    COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

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MF:                              C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>  
MW:                              136.15  
CAS-NO.                      93-58-3  
PURITY:                      98 - 100% (GC)

**HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS**

COMPONENT	CLASSIFICATION	CONCENTRATION
Methyl benzoate		

	FLAM. LIQ. 4; ACUTE TOX. 4; AQUATIC ACUTE 3; H227, H302, H402	<= 100 %
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## SECTION 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

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### DESCRIPTION OF FIRST AID MEASURES

<b>GENERAL ADVICE</b>	CONSULT A PHYSICIAN. SHOW THIS SAFETY DATA SHEET TO THE DOCTOR IN ATTENDANCE.MOVE OUT OF DANGEROUS AREA.
<b>IF INHALED</b>	IF BREATHED IN, MOVE PERSON INTO FRESH AIR. IF NOT BREATHING, GIVE ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION. CONSULT A PHYSICIAN.
<b>IN CASE OF SKIN CONTACT</b>	WASH OFF WITH SOAP AND PLENTY OF WATER. CONSULT A PHYSICIAN.
<b>IN CASE OF EYE CONTACT</b>	FLUSH EYES WITH WATER AS A PRECAUTION.
<b>IF SWALLOWED</b>	DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. NEVER GIVE ANYTHING BY MOUTH TO AN UNCONSCIOUS PERSON. RINSE MOUTH WITH WATER. CONSULT A PHYSICIAN.
<b>MOST IMPORTANT SYMPTOMS AND EFFECTS, BOTH ACUTE AND DELAYED</b>	THE MOST IMPORTANT KNOWN SYMPTOMS AND EFFECTS ARE DESCRIBED IN THE LABELLING (SEE SECTION 2.2) AND/OR IN SECTION 11
<b>INDICATION OF ANY IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION AND SPECIAL TREATMENT NEEDED</b>	NO DATA AVAILABLE

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## SECTION 5. FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

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### EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

<b>SUITABLE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA</b>	SUITABLE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA USE WATER SPRAY, ALCOHOL-RESISTANT FOAM, DRY CHEMICAL OR CARBON DIOXIDE.
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UNSUITABLE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA  
DO NOT USE WATER JET.

**SPECIAL HAZARDS  
ARISING FROM THE  
SUBSTANCE OR MIXTURE**

CARBON OXIDES

**ADVICE FOR  
FIREFIGHTERS**

WEAR SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS FOR  
FIREFIGHTING IF NECESSARY.

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

USE WATER SPRAY TO COOL UNOPENED CONTAINERS.

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**SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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**PERSONAL  
PRECAUTIONS,  
PROTECTIVE  
EQUIPMENT AND  
EMERGENCY  
PROCEDURES**

USE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. AVOID  
BREATHING VAPOURS, MIST OR GAS. ENSURE  
ADEQUATE VENTILATION. REMOVE ALL SOURCES OF  
IGNITION. BEWARE OF VAPOURS ACCUMULATING TO  
FORM EXPLOSIVE CONCENTRATIONS. VAPOURS CAN  
ACCUMULATE IN LOW AREAS.  
FOR PERSONAL PROTECTION SEE SECTION 8.

**ENVIRONMENTAL  
PRECAUTIONS**

PREVENT FURTHER LEAKAGE OR SPILLAGE IF SAFE  
TO DO SO. DO NOT LET PRODUCT ENTER DRAINS.  
DISCHARGE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT MUST BE  
AVOIDED.

**METHODS AND  
MATERIALS FOR  
CONTAINMENT AND  
CLEANING UP**

CONTAIN SPILLAGE, AND THEN COLLECT WITH NON-  
COMBUSTIBLE ABSORBENT MATERIAL, (E.G. SAND,  
EARTH, DIATOMACEOUS EARTH, VERMICULITE) AND  
PLACE IN CONTAINER FOR DISPOSAL ACCORDING TO  
LOCAL / NATIONAL REGULATIONS (SEE SECTION 13).  
KEEP IN SUITABLE, CLOSED CONTAINERS FOR  
DISPOSAL.

**REFERENCE TO OTHER  
SECTIONS**

FOR DISPOSAL SEE SECTION 13.

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**SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

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**PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE  
HANDLING**

AVOID CONTACT WITH SKIN AND EYES. AVOID  
INHALATION OF VAPOUR OR MIST.  
KEEP AWAY FROM SOURCES OF IGNITION - NO  
SMOKING. TAKE MEASURES TO PREVENT THE BUILD  
UP OF ELECTROSTATIC CHARGE.  
FOR PRECAUTIONS SEE SECTION 2.2.

**CONDITIONS FOR SAFE STORAGE, INCLUDING ANY INCOMPATIBILITIES**

KEEP CONTAINER TIGHTLY CLOSED IN A DRY AND WELL-VENTILATED PLACE.

Store at RT

**SPECIFIC END USE(S)**

APART FROM THE USES MENTIONED IN SECTION 1.2 NO OTHER SPECIFIC USES ARE STIPULATED.

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**SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

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**CONTROL PARAMETERS**

**COMPONENTS WITH WORKPLACE CONTROL PARAMETERS**

CONTAINS NO SUBSTANCES WITH OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMIT VALUES.

**EXPOSURE CONTROLS**

**APPROPRIATE ENGINEERING CONTROLS**

HANDLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOOD INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE AND SAFETY PRACTICE. WASH HANDS BEFORE BREAKS AND AT THE END OF WORKDAY.

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT**

**EYE/FACE PROTECTION**

FACE SHIELD AND SAFETY GLASSES USE EQUIPMENT FOR EYE PROTECTION TESTED AND APPROVED UNDER APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT STANDARDS SUCH AS NIOSH (US) OR EN 166(EU).

**SKIN PROTECTION**

HANDLE WITH GLOVES. GLOVES MUST BE INSPECTED PRIOR TO USE. USE PROPER GLOVE REMOVAL TECHNIQUE (WITHOUT TOUCHING GLOVE'S OUTER SURFACE) TO AVOID SKIN CONTACT WITH THIS PRODUCT. DISPOSE OF CONTAMINATED GLOVES AFTER USE IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS AND GOOD LABORATORY PRACTICES. WASH AND DRY HANDS.

**SPLASH CONTACT**

MATERIAL: NITRILE RUBBER

MINIMUM LAYER THICKNESS: 0.4 MM

BREAK THROUGH TIME: 60 MIN

MATERIAL TESTED:CAMATRIL (KCL 730, SIZE M)

IF USED IN SOLUTION, OR MIXED WITH OTHER SUBSTANCES, AND UNDER CONDITIONS WHICH DIFFER FROM EN 374, CONTACT THE SUPPLIER OF THE CE APPROVED GLOVES. THIS RECOMMENDATION IS ADVISORY ONLY AND MUST BE EVALUATED BY AN INDUSTRIAL HYGIENIST AND SAFETY OFFICER FAMILIAR WITH THE SPECIFIC SITUATION OF ANTICIPATED USE BY OUR CUSTOMERS. IT SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS OFFERING AN APPROVAL FOR ANY SPECIFIC USE SCENARIO.

**BODY PROTECTION**

COMPLETE SUIT PROTECTING AGAINST CHEMICALS, THE TYPE OF PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT MUST BE SELECTED ACCORDING TO THE CONCENTRATION AND AMOUNT OF THE DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE AT THE SPECIFIC WORKPLACE.

**RESPIRATORY PROTECTION**

WHERE RISK ASSESSMENT SHOWS AIR-PURIFYING RESPIRATORS ARE APPROPRIATE USE A FULLFACE RESPIRATOR WITH MULTI-PURPOSE COMBINATION (US) OR TYPE ABEK (EN 14387) RESPIRATOR CARTRIDGES AS A BACKUP TO ENGINEERING CONTROLS. IF THE RESPIRATOR IS THE SOLE MEANS OF PROTECTION, USE A FULL-FACE SUPPLIED AIR RESPIRATOR. USE RESPIRATORS AND COMPONENTS TESTED AND APPROVED UNDER APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT STANDARDS SUCH AS NIOSH (US) OR CEN (EU).

**CONTROL OF ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURE**

PREVENT FURTHER LEAKAGE OR SPILLAGE IF SAFE TO DO SO. DO NOT LET PRODUCT ENTER DRAINS. DISCHARGE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT MUST BE AVOIDED.

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**SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

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**INFORMATION ON BASIC PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

APPEARANCE	Clear, colorless liquid
ODOUR	NO DATA AVAILABLE
ODOUR THRESHOLD	NO DATA AVAILABLE
PH	NO DATA AVAILABLE
MELTING POINT/FREEZING POINT	
INITIAL BOILING POINT AND BOILING RANGE	198 - 200 °C (Lit.)
FLASH POINT	83 °C
EVAPORATION RATE	NO DATA AVAILABLE
FLAMMABILITY (SOLID, GAS)	NO DATA AVAILABLE
UPPER/LOWER FLAMMABILITY OR EXPLOSIVE LIMITS	NO DATA AVAILABLE
VAPOUR PRESSURE	0.51 HPA AT 25 °C
VAPOUR DENSITY	4.7 - (AIR = 1.0)
RELATIVE DENSITY	1.09 (Lit.)
WATER SOLUBILITY	2.1 G/L AT 20 °C - SOLUBLE
PARTITION COEFFICIENT: N- OCTANOL/WATER	LOG POW: 2.1
AUTO-IGNITION TEMPERATURE	537 - 547 °C AT 1019.0 HPA
DECOMPOSITION TEMPERATURE	NO DATA AVAILABLE
VISCOSITY	NO DATA AVAILABLE
EXPLOSIVE PROPERTIES	NO DATA AVAILABLE
OXIDIZING PROPERTIES	NO DATA AVAILABLE

**OTHER SAFETY INFORMATION**

RELATIVE VAPOUR DENSITY	4.7 - (AIR = 1.0)
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**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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<b>REACTIVITY</b>	NO DATA AVAILABLE
<b>CHEMICAL STABILITY</b>	STABLE UNDER RECOMMENDED STORAGE CONDITIONS.
<b>POSSIBILITY OF HAZARDOUS REACTIONS</b>	NO DATA AVAILABLE
<b>CONDITIONS TO AVOID</b>	HEAT, FLAMES AND SPARKS.
<b>INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS</b>	STRONG OXIDIZING AGENTS, STRONG BASES

**HAZARDOUS  
DECOMPOSITION  
PRODUCTS**

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS FORMED  
UNDER FIRE CONDITIONS. - CARBON OXIDES  
OTHER DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS - NO DATA  
AVAILABLE  
IN THE EVENT OF FIRE: SEE SECTION 5

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**SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**INFORMATION ON TOXICOLOGICAL EFFECTS**

**ACUTE TOXICITY**

LD50 ORAL - RAT - MALE - 1,625 MG/KG  
(OECD TEST GUIDELINE 401)

INHALATION: NO DATA AVAILABLE

LD50 DERMAL - RABBIT - MALE AND FEMALE - >  
2,000 MG/KG  
(OECD TEST GUIDELINE 402)

NO DATA AVAILABLE

**SKIN  
CORROSION/IRRITATION**

SKIN - RABBIT  
RESULT: NO SKIN IRRITATION - 4 H  
(OECD TEST GUIDELINE 404)

**SERIOUS EYE  
DAMAGE/EYE IRRITATION**

EYES - RABBIT  
RESULT: NO EYE IRRITATION - 72 H  
(OECD TEST GUIDELINE 405)

**RESPIRATORY OR SKIN  
SENSITISATION**

MOUSE  
RESULT: DOES NOT CAUSE SKIN SENSITISATION.  
(OECD TEST GUIDELINE 429)

**GERM CELL  
MUTAGENICITY**

HAMSTER  
LUNGS  
RESULT: NEGATIVE

**CARCINOGENICITY**

IARC:

NO COMPONENT OF THIS PRODUCT PRESENT AT  
LEVELS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.1% IS  
IDENTIFIED AS PROBABLE, POSSIBLE OR  
CONFIRMED HUMAN CARCINOGEN BY IARC.

NTP:

NO COMPONENT OF THIS PRODUCT PRESENT AT  
LEVELS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.1% IS  
IDENTIFIED AS A KNOWN OR ANTICIPATED  
CARCINOGEN BY NTP.

OSHA:

NO COMPONENT OF THIS PRODUCT PRESENT AT  
LEVELS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.1% IS ON  
OSHA S LIST OF REGULATED CARCINOGENS.

**REPRODUCTIVE TOXICITY**

NO DATA AVAILABLE



<b>SPECIFIC TARGET ORGAN TOXICITY - SINGLE EXPOSURE</b>	NO DATA AVAILABLE
<b>SPECIFIC TARGET ORGAN TOXICITY - REPEATED EXPOSURE</b>	NO DATA AVAILABLE
<b>ASPIRATION HAZARD</b>	NO DATA AVAILABLE
<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>	RTECS: NOT AVAILABLE  TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, THE CHEMICAL, PHYSICAL, AND TOXICOLOGICAL PROPERTIES HAVE NOT BEEN THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATED.

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## **SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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<b>TOXICITY</b>	
TOXICITY TO FISH	SEMI-STATIC TEST LC50 - DANIO RERIO (ZEBRA FISH) - CA. 23 MG/L - 96 H
TOXICITY TO DAPHNIA AND OTHER AQUATIC INVERTEBRATES	EC50 - DAPHNIA MAGNA (WATER FLEA) - 62.6 MG/L - 24 H
TOXICITY TO ALGAE	STATIC TEST EC50 - DESMODESMUS SUBSPICATUS (GREEN ALGAE) - 111.9 MG/L - 72 H
<b>PERSISTENCE AND DEGRADABILITY</b>	
BIODEGRADABILITY	AEROBIC - EXPOSURE TIME 29 D RESULT: 62 % - READILY BIODEGRADABLE.
<b>BIOACCUMULATIVE POTENTIAL</b>	NO DATA AVAILABLE
<b>MOBILITY IN SOIL</b>	NO DATA AVAILABLE
<b>RESULTS OF PBT AND VPVB ASSESSMENT</b>	PBT/VPVB ASSESSMENT NOT AVAILABLE AS CHEMICAL SAFETY ASSESSMENT NOT REQUIRED/NOT CONDUCTED
<b>OTHER ADVERSE EFFECTS</b>	AN ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD CANNOT BE EXCLUDED IN THE EVENT OF UNPROFESSIONAL HANDLING OR DISPOSAL. HARMFUL TO AQUATIC LIFE.

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**SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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**WASTE TREATMENT METHODS**

<b>PRODUCT</b>	OFFER SURPLUS AND NON-RECYCLABLE SOLUTIONS TO A LICENSED DISPOSAL COMPANY. THIS COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL MAY BE BURNED IN A CHEMICAL INCINERATOR EQUIPPED WITH AN AFTERBURNER AND SCRUBBER.
<b>CONTAMINATED PACKAGING</b>	DISPOSE OF AS UNUSED PRODUCT.

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**SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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<b>DOT (US)</b>	
PROPER SHIPPING NAME:	COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID, N.O.S.(Methyl benzoate)
NA-NUMBER:	1993
CLASS:	NONE
PACKING GROUP:	III
REPORTABLE QUANTITY (RQ):	
POISON INHALATION HAZARD:	NO

**IMDG**  
NOT DANGEROUS GOODS

**IATA**  
NOT DANGEROUS GOODS

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**SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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<b>SARA 302 COMPONENTS</b>	NO CHEMICALS IN THIS MATERIAL ARE SUBJECT TO THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF SARA TITLE III, SECTION 302.
<b>SARA 313 COMPONENTS</b>	THIS MATERIAL DOES NOT CONTAIN ANY CHEMICAL COMPONENTS WITH KNOWN CAS NUMBERS THAT EXCEED THE THRESHOLD (DEMINIMIS) REPORTING LEVELS ESTABLISHED BY SARA TITLE III, SECTION 313.
<b>SARA 311/312 HAZARDS</b>	FIRE HAZARD, ACUTE HEALTH HAZARD

**MASSACHUSETTS RIGHT TO KNOW COMPONENTS** NO COMPONENTS ARE SUBJECT TO THE MASSACHUSETTS RIGHT TO KNOW ACT.

**PENNSYLVANIA RIGHT TO KNOW COMPONENTS**

	CAS-NO.	REVISION DATE
Methyl benzoate	93-58-3	08-02-2010

**NEW JERSEY RIGHT TO KNOW COMPONENTS**

	CAS-NO.	REVISION DATE
Methyl benzoate	93-58-3	08-02-2010

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**SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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**FULL TEXT OF H-STATEMENTS REFERRED TO UNDER SECTIONS 2 AND 3.**

H227	COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID.
H302	HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED.
H402	HARMFUL TO AQUATIC LIFE.

**MSDS LEGEND**

MW:	MOLECULAR WEIGHT
MF:	MOLECULAR FORMULA
VOC:	VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS
ACGIH:	AMERICAN CONFERENCE OF GOVERNMENTAL INDUSTRIAL HYGINISTS
CAS:	CHEMICAL ABSTRACTS SERIVE REGISTRY NUMBER
OSHA:	OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
PEL:	PERMISSIBLE EXPOSURE LIMIT (OSHA)
TLV:	THRESHOLD LIMIT VALUE (ACGIH)

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