# MEARS Fertilizer, Inc.

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

**GUARDIAN - 100% Road Salt, Ice Melt** 

## U.S. Transport Summary: Not regulated by the U.S. D.O.T. as a hazardous material.

## 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT IDENTITY:	GUARDIAN - 100% Road Salt, Ice Melt
PRODUCT ID #:	B49125-RD, B49150-RD, B4912M-RD
COMMON NAME:	Ice Melt, De-Icing Salt, Sodium Chloride, Rock Salt
CHEMICAL DESCRIPTION:	Inorganic, Organic & Alkaline Salts
RECOMMENDED USE:	Deicing - See product label for recommended uses and use rates.
PRODUCT RESTRICTIONS:	See product label for any restrictions on the use of this product.
EPA REGISTRATION #:	Exempt

PRODUCT SDS #:SDS B491(ALL)-RDISSUE DATE:May 11, 2015REVISION DATE:NewVERSION NO.01

#### MANUFACTURER:

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#### NON-EMERGENCY BUSINESS INQUIRIES:

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (CST) Monday - Friday Mears Fertilizer, Inc.: (316) 321-3674 or Toll Free: (800) 345-9143

## **2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW: Granular product. Causes moderate eye irritation. May cause skin irritation after prolonged exposure.

#### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

Eyes:	Causes moderate but temporary eye irritation.
Skin:	May cause mild skin irritation including temporary redness and itching.
Inhalation:	May cause irritation of the upper respiratory tract.
Ingestion:	May be harmful if swallowed.
Pre-existing Conditions:	Pre-existing respiratory conditions may be aggravated by exposure.
Chronic Health Effects:	None known.

CARCINOGENICITY:	NTP:	Not Listed
	IARC:	Not Listed
	OSHA:	Not Listed

OSHA DEFINED HAZARDS: Eye Irritation - Category 2A

#### LABEL ELEMENTS:

Hazard Symbol:	None
Signal Word:	WARNING
Hazard Statement:	Causes serious eye irritation.

#### PERCENT OF PRODUCT WITH UNKNOWN TOXICITY: 0%

#### **PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS:**

Prevention:	Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Wear eye and face protection. Do not breathe dust.		
Response:	If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention. Get medical attention if you feel unwell.		
Storage:	See Section 7 for storage information.		
Disposal:	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with Federal, state and local regulations.		

 HAZARD(S) NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:
 Not classified

 SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:
 Not applicable

## 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### MIXTURES

Sodium Chloride

<u>% Weight</u> 95.8 - 99.9% CAS Reg. # 7674-14-5

There are no additional ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence require reporting in this section. Other ingredients not specifically listed are considered non-hazardous and are confidential business information under 29 CFR 1910.1200(I).

See Section 8 for exposure limits.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES				
IF IN EYES:	Do not rub eyes. Flush eyes immediately and thoroughly with running water for 15 minutes. Lift eyelids to facilitate irrigation. If present, remove contact lenses after 5 minutes and continue rinsing. If irritation persists, get medical attention.			
IF ON SKIN OR CLOTHING:	Remove contaminated clothing and wash before re-using. Wash skin with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation persists.			
IF SWALLOWED:	Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control center or doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.			
IF INHALED:	Move person to fresh air and assist breathing as needed. Seek medical attention if irritation occurs.			
NOTES TO PHYSICIAN:	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Patient treatment should be based on sound judgment of the physician and the individual reactions of the patient.			

#### **5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:	Water fog, water spray, foam, dry chemical, carbon dioxide $(CO_2)$ . Do not use a water jet, as this will spread the fire.
SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:	Wear NIOSHA/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective gear. Dike area to prevent runoff and contamination of water sources. Dispose of fire control water later. Avoid breathing vapors; keep upwind. Use water spray to cool unopened containers.
HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS:	Thermal decomposition products may include toxic and corrosive fumes of chlorides.

UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS: None known.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS:	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Material can be slippery when wet. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during cleanup. For personal protection see Section 8. Avoid inhalation of dust and contact with skin and eyes. Ensure adequate ventilation.			
ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS:	Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air).			
METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR CONTAINMENT AND CLEAN UP:				
Small Spill:	Stop leak if without risk. Move containers from spill area. Sweep up or vacuum spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Clean surface thoroughly for residual contamination. For waste disposal see Section 13.			
Large Spill:	Stop leak if without risk. Prevent entry into sewers, water courses, basements or confined areas by diking area with sand or earth. If product is uncontaminated, spilled material may be applied at the rate recommended on the label. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. See Section 13 for additional information.			
GENERAL CAUTION:	Spill area may be quite slippery.			

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

HANDLING:

Avoid breathing dust. Use only outdoors or in a well ventilated area. Immediately clean up spills that occur during handling. Keep containers closed when not in use. Practice good hygiene after using this material, especially before eating, drinking, smoking, using the toilet, or applying cosmetics.

#### STORAGE:

Store in a cool, dry area away from children, feed, and food products. Store away from incompatible materials. Protect packaging from physical damage. Do not re-use empty containers. Protect from exposure to fire conditions. Keep out of reach of children.

MINIMUM STORAGE TEMP: Not applicable.

OTHER PRECAUTIONS: Consult Federal, state and local laws and regulations pertaining to storage.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

OSHA:	Occupational Safety and Health Administration American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health		TLV: REL: TWA:	Threshold Limit Value NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limit Time-Weighted Average	
ACGIH:					
NIOSH:					
PEL:	OSHA Permissible Exposure Limits				
	EXPOSURE LIMITS: IPONENTS	OSHA PEL	ACGIH	TLV	NIOSH REL
Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated		15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (total dust)	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (i	nhalable)	Net Determined
		5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable)	3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (re	spirable)	Not Determined

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:	If dust concentration exceeds permissible levels, wear NIOSH approved air-purifying respirator with cartridges/canisters approved for general particulates.
ENGINEERING CONTROLS:	Provide general or local exhaust ventilation systems to maintain airborne concentrations below OSHA PELs or other specified exposure limits to minimize the risk of inhalation of dust. Local exhaust ventilation is preferred.
PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMEN	T:
Eye / Face Protection:	Wear goggles or safety glasses and a full face shield. Contact lenses are not eye protective devices. An emergency eyewash or water supply should be readily accessible to the work area.
Skin Protection:	Wear suitable gloves when handling this product over long periods. If skin irritation occurs, wear long- sleeve shirt, long pants, and shoes to prevent skin contact.
Respiratory Protection:	Wear NIOSH approved respiratory approved respirator if there is a risk of exposure to dust at levels exceeding the exposure limits.
General Hygiene Considerations:	Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Never eat, drink, or use tobacco in work areas. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practices.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE:			
Physical State:	Solid	VAPOR PRESSURE:	Not determined
Form:	Granules/Crystals	VAPOR DENSITY:	Not determined
Color:	White and Clear	VISCOSITY:	Not applicable
ODOR:	Odorless / Strong Saline	SPECIFIC GRAVITY (H <sub>2</sub> O=1):	Not determined
ODOR THRESHOLD:	Not determined	DENSITY (lbs/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Not determined
pH:	5.4 - 8.6 @ 5% Solution	PARTITION COEFFICIENT:	Not determined
MELTING POINT/FREEZING POINT:	Not applicable	SOLUBILITY(IES):	Appreciable
INITIAL BOILING POINT/RANGE:	Not applicable	AUTO-IGNITION TEMP:	Not determined
FLASH POINT:	Non-combustible	DECOMPOSITION TEMP:	Not determined
EVAPORATION RATE:	Not applicable	EXPLOSIVE PROPERTIES:	Not applicable
FLAMMABILITY (SOLID, GAS):	Not determined	OXIDIZING PROPERTIES:	Not determined
FLAMMABILITY / EXPOSURE LIMITS:		OTHER INFORMATION:	
Flammability Limit - Lower:	Not determined	Heat of Combustion:	Not determined
Flammability Limit - Upper:	Not determined		

## **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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REACTIVITY:	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transportation.
CHEMICAL STABILITY:	The product is stable under normal conditions of use, storage and transportation.
POSSIBILITY OF HAZARDOUS REACTIONS:	Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.
CONDITIONS TO AVOID:	Moisture. Excessive heat. Contact with incompatible materials.
INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS:	Strong oxidizing agents, strong acids, bromine trifluoride, nitrogen compounds,
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:	furan-2-peroxycarboxylic acid. Mildly corrosive to metals in the presence of moisture. May include but are not limited to carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides, phosphorus oxides, sulfur oxides, ammonia, and chlorine.

# **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

	Pasad on component data, moderate irritation is enticipated		
Eye Effects:	Based on component data, moderate irritation is anticipated.		
Skin Effects:	Based on component data, mild irritation is anticipated.		
Acute Inhalation Effects:	Based on component data, product is not considered to be acutely toxic via inhalation.		
Acute Oral Effects:	Estimated LD <sub>50</sub> >3,000 mg/kg		
Effects From Over Exposure:	Dust may be irritating to mucous membranes. May cause skin and eye irritation with stinging sensation. Ingesting large quantities may cause gastrointestinal irritation with nausea, vomiting, epigastric distress, abdominal discomfort and diarrhea.		
CHRONIC TOXICITY:			
Chronic Effects:	None known		
Carcinogenicity:	None known		
Mutagenicity:	None known		
Teratogenicity:	None known		
Reproductive Toxicity:	None known		
POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:			
Inhalation:	Dust may irritate upper respiratory tract.		
Skin:	May cause mild skin irritation including temporary redness and itching.		
Eyes:	Causes moderate but temporary eye irritation.		
Ingestion:	May be harmful if swallowed.		
12. ECOLOGICAL INFORM	ΛΑΤΙΟΝ		
ECOTOXICITY SUMMARY:	The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment. Dissolution of large quantities in water may create an elevated level of salinity that may be harmful to fresh water aquatic species and to plants that are not salt-tolerant.		
ECOTOXICITY DATA:			
Fish Acute and Prolonged Toxicity:	Not determined for this mixture. Aquatic Plant Toxicity: Not determined for this mixture.		
Aquatic Invertebrate Acute Toxicity:	Not determined for this mixture. Honeybee Toxicity: Not determined for this mixture.		
Bird Acute & Prolonged Toxicity:	Not determined for this mixture.		
PERSISTENCE AND DEGRADABILITY:	Not determined for this mixture.		
BIOACCUMULATIVE POTENTIAL:	Not determined for this mixture.		
MOBILITY IN SOIL:	Not determined for this mixture.		
OTHER ADVERSE EFFECTS:	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.		

For individual toxicity analysis for the ingredients in this mixture, refer to the SDS for that ingredient. See Section 3 for ingredient listing.

### **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### WASTE TREATMENT METHODS

PRODUCT:

Methods of Disposal: Dispose of in accordance with applicable Federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Do not allow this material to drain into sewers, drains, or waterways.

PACKAGING:

Methods of Disposal:Ensure all product has been emptied from the bag/sack. Dispose of emptied container in accordance with applicable<br/>Federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Do not re-use empty bag.

RCRA CHARACTERISTICS: It is the responsibility of the individual disposing of this product to determine the RCRA classification and hazard status of the waste.

## **14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

US DOT:	Not regulated by the U.S. Department of Transportation as a hazardous material for ground shipment.		
IMDG:	Not determined		
IATA:	Not determined		
HAZARD CLASS:	None	C.A.S. NUMBER:	Mixture
REPORTABLE QUANTITY:	None	D.O.T. NUMBER:	None
LABELS REQUIRED:	None	HAZARD WASTE NO:	None
PLACARD:	None	EPA REGISTRATION NO:	None
U.S. SURFACE FREIGHT C	LASSIFICATION:	Ice Melting Compounds (Manufactured Ice Melt), NOI, DF	RY (NMFC 50225, CLASS 50)

### **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

US FEDERAL REGULATION This product is not known to be a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

**TSCA INVENTORY:** 

All components are listed or exempt from listing on the TSCA Inventory

NFPA HAZARD RATING:

0	Least
1	Slight
2	Moderate
3	High
4	Severe

1	Health
0	Flammability
0	Reactivity

#### SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1986 (SARA):

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SARS Title III Hazard Categories:	Immediate Hazard	No	Pressure Hazard No	
	Delayed Hazard	No	Reactivity Hazard No	
	Fire Hazard	No	<u> </u>	
SARA 302 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS	SUBSTANCE:	No		
SARA 311/312 HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL:		No		
SARA 313 (TRI REPORTING):		Not Regulated		
US OSHA SPECIFICALLY REGULATED SUBSTANCE (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050): Not Listed				
CERCLA HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE LISTED (40 CFR 302.4):			Not Listed	
OTHER FEDERAL REGULATIONS				
CLEAN AIR ACT (CAA) SECTION 112:				
Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) Li	st:	Not Regula	ted	
Accidental Release Prevention (40	CFR 68.130) List:	Not Regula	ted	
SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT (SDWA	):	Not Regula	ted	
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION	(FDA):	Not Regula	ted	

#### **US STATE REGULATIONS -**

**US CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65:** 

This product may contain a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. Proposition 65, the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, requires notification of potential exposure to substances identified by the State of California as causing cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. Refer to the SDS for individual ingredients. See Section 3 for ingredient listing.

#### CANADIAN DOMESTIC SUBSTANCES LIST: WHMIS CLASSIFICATION:

Not determined This product is not approved for use in Canada. WHMIS classification is not determined.

## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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#### NOTICE TO READER DISCLAIMER AND LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY:

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