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# **Safety Data Sheet**

### Section 1 – Identification of the Substance / Preparation, and of the Company

#### 1.1: Product Identification

Trade Name: Natural Graphite 50-85% Carbon

Registration Number: Exempted per Annex V

Substance Name: Graphite, CAS 7782-42-5 EC Number: 231-955-3

#### 1.2: Indentified uses of the substance or mixtures

Uses: Inorganic source of carbon, filler, thermal additive, re-carburizer, casting powders, drilling fluids, plastic additive, rubber additive, tint/pigment, lubricant, chemically resistant additive, EMF absorber, milling and sieving, bulk loading, unloading, repackaging, general inert filler-additive.

Uses Advised Against: For industrial use only. Not recommended as food or cosmetic additive.

1.3: Supplier Information

Company/Manufacturer: Asbury Carbons, Inc. Telephone: 908-537-2155
PO Box 144, 405 Old Main Street Telefax: 908-723-2908

Asbury, NJ 08802 Preparer: AVT

1.4: Emergency Telephone Number 1-800-255-3924

# 2.1: Classification of substance

Graphite is not a hazardous substance

Section 2: Hazards Identification















#### 2.2: Label Elements

Graphite is not a hazardous substance or mixture

#### 2.3: Other hazards

Natural graphite may contain crystalline silica, variety quartz. This substance is not admixed with the graphite, but is a naturally occurring mineral impurity that is intimately associated with the graphite. In most cases this silica is not in respirable form unless the graphite is very finely divided. IARC Monograph Vol 68, 1997 Concludes That There Is Sufficient Evidence That Inhaled Crystalline Silica Causes Cancer In Humans. IARC Classification: Group 1.

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients:

Chemical Composition: Carbon variety Graphite 50-85% (balance is inert mineral ash)

CAS # 7784-42-5 EC # 231-955-3 Molecular Weight: 12.0

Formula: C

#### Section 4 - First Aid Measures

| Ingestion           | Get immediate medical attention. Do not induce vomiting unless directed by medical personnel. Natural graphite is not known to be toxic by ingestion. However, ingestion |
|---------------------|--|
|                     | may cause digestive system blockage.   |
| <b>Skin Contact</b> | Wash with mild soap and warm water: Natural graphite is non-staining to skin   |
| <b>Eye Contact</b>  | Rinse with tepid water until eyes are clear of particulates. Seek medical attention if irritation persists.  |
| Inhalation          | Remove patient to particulate-free environment. Wear approved dust mask to avoid breathing dust. Seek medical attention if irritation persists.                          |

# **Section 5 – Fire Fighting Measures**

| Natural Graphite is not flammable under normal conditions                     |  |
|---|--|
| Extinguishing Media Dry chemical extinguisher, water, sand, limestone powder, |  |
| <b>Protective Equipment</b>   | Self contained air pack, gloves, safety goggles  |
| Special Hazards   | At temperatures above 1500 C, graphite reacts with substances containing oxygen, including water and carbon dioxide. In case of intensely hot fire events, use sand to cover and isolate graphite. |
| NFP Rating  | 110  |
| <b>Products of Combustion:</b>  | Carbon dioxide, CO2, carbon monoxide, CO.  |

# Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

| Personal Precautions | Wear approved dust mask, safety goggles, and conventional work gloves. |
|----------------------|--|
| Methods for Cleaning | Conventional Sweep or vacuum. Avoid creating dusting conditions        |
| Up:                  |  |

Environmental Precautions: Natural graphite is inert and insoluble and will not pose any soluble ion hazards to the environment. However, good housekeeping practices should be followed and spilled material should be cleaned up, and disposed of in an appropriate manner.

















Section 7 - Handling and Storage

|                           | ig and crossings   |  |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| Handling                  | Conventional means to avoid dusting conditions. Keep powder from               |  |
|                           | contacting eyes. Natural graphite is a good conductor of electricity. Avoid    |  |
|                           | contact between natural graphite and electrical circuitry.                     |  |
| Slip Hazard               | Graphite is a highly lubricious material and may present a slip hazard if      |  |
| _                         | spilled on pedestrian surfaces.  |  |
| Storage and               | Store all carbonaceous materials in a dry location.                            |  |
| Incompatibilities         | Natural graphite is incompatible with all oxidizing agents.                    |  |
| <b>Dust Explosibility</b> | Natural graphite poses a very slight risk of dust explosion hazard: Dust class |  |
| Hazards:                  | ST1, MIE greater that 10 J (very low hazard of spark conflagration)            |  |

Section 8 – Exposure Controls/ Personal Protection

| <b>Control Parameters</b>  | German or US Limits   |              |  |                               |
|--|---|--------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Component  | CAS No.   | %            | ACGIH TWA                                  | Control Reference             |
| Natural Graphite   | 7782-42-5   | 100          | 2.0 mg/m <sup>3</sup><br>Respirable dust   | 2013 ACGIH TLV Handbook       |
| Silica, var Quartz   | 14808-60-7  | 0.5-4%       | 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup><br>Respirable dust | 2013 ACGIH TLV Handbook       |
| Engineering  | Engineering Use adequate dust collection to maintain dust levels below the control or |              |  | levels below the control or   |
| Measures   | s recommended values.   |              |  |                               |
| Respiratory Protection Approved dust mask, type N95 recommended. |   |              |  |                               |
| Eye Protection Conventional safety glasses or goggles.           |   |              | S.   |                               |
| Skin Protection Conventional work gloves and clothing.           |   |              |  |                               |
| Additional Graphite :  |   | hite spilled | on pedestrian surfaces                     | s may pose a significant slip |
|  | haza  | rd.          |  |                               |

**Section 9 – Physical and Chemical Properties** 

| Color:                    | Gray to Black                                    | Material State              | Solid, granular or powder |
|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Odor                      | None   |                             |                           |
| <b>Boiling Point:</b>     | NA   | <b>Melting Point</b>        | Sublimates at 3652C       |
| <b>Specific Gravity</b>   | 2.26   | Vapor Density               | Not applicable            |
| Vapor Pressure (mm        | NA   | % Volatile (By Wt.)         | 0-4%                      |
| Hg)                       |  |                             |                           |
| Solubility in Water       | Insoluble  | <b>Evaporation Rate:</b>    | Not applicable            |
| pН                        | NA   | Auto Ignition               | Above 500 °C              |
| <b>Decomposition Temp</b> | Oxidizes above 400C                              | <b>Dust Explosion class</b> | ST1=KST>0-200 bar m/s     |
| Flash Point               | NA Solid substance with very high melting point. |                             |                           |















Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

| Stability                  | Stable. Will not polymerize   |
|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Conditions to Avoid</b> | Avoid contact with oxidizing agents   |
| Materials to Avoid         | Oxidizing agents  |
| Hazardous                  | Carbon Dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Carbon Monoxide (CO)                     |
| Decomposition              |   |
| Products                   |   |
| Flammable Limits           | LEL and UEL values not available: Minimum Ignition Energy (MIE) greater     |
| (% by Vol.)                | than 10 joules. When exposed to extremely high energy ignition sources very |
|                            | finely divided graphite powder can form explosive mixtures with air. Avoid  |
|                            | contact between graphite dust clouds and high energy ignition sources.      |
|                            | Classified as not flammable.  |

# Section 11 – Toxicological Information

Toxicological information about natural graphite is not available. Natural graphite is inert, insoluble and is not expected to present an ingestion hazard.

Section 12 - Ecological Information

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|----------------------------------|---|--|
| Assessment                       | Natural graphite is inert and insoluble. To the best of our knowledge,    |  |
|                                  | natural graphite should not present any environmental hazards.            |  |
| Persistence and                  | Natural graphite is a reduced form of carbon and will not degrade         |  |
| degradability:                   | further under normal conditions. This form of carbon is stable,           |  |
|                                  | unreactive in water under ambient conditions, and is insoluble.           |  |
| Bioaccumulation:                 | There is no evidence indicating that natural graphite is bioaccumulative. |  |
| Aquatic Toxicity:                | Data not available.   |  |
| Soil Mobility:                   | Not determined, however natural graphite is not expected to have          |  |
|                                  | mobility in soil as it is an insoluble, inorganic substance.              |  |

# **Section 13 – Disposal Considerations**

Dispose of in a manner which conforms to local, state and Federal regulations.

Provision of a European Waste Catalog, waste code number, should be handled in agreement with the regional waste disposal company.

Packaging should be completely emptied of contents and disposed of in a manner specified by the recycler/regional disposal contractor.















Section 14 - Transport Information

| ICAO / IATA                 |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Shipping Name</b>        | Natural Graphite                          |
| Hazard Class                | Non Hazardous                             |
| <b>Subsidiary Class</b>     | NA  |
| UN Number                   | NA  |
| Packing Group               | NA  |
| <b>Marine Transport</b>     | Not classified as a hazardous material    |
| Land Transport              | Not classified as a hazardous material    |
| Air Transport               | Not classified as a hazardous material    |
| Transport Label             | No label required                         |
| Required                    |   |
| <b>Additional Transport</b> | Technical Name (N.O.S.): Natural Graphite |
| Info                        |   |

**Section 15 – Regulatory Information** 

| Not Classified         |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| Inventory Information: |            |
| EEC EINECS             | #231-955-3 |
| US TSCA                | Yes        |
| Canada DSL             | Yes        |
| Canada NDSL            | No         |
| Australian AICS        | Yes        |
| Korean ECL             | Yes        |
| Asia PAC               | Yes        |
| Swiss Giftliste 1      | Yes #G8422 |
| IECSC                  | Yes        |
| PICCS                  | Yes        |
| New Zealand NZLoC      | Yes        |

REACH: Natural graphite is exempt from REACH registration.

RoHS: Natural graphite is compliant with the EU RoHS directive

WEEE: Natural graphite is compliant with the EU waste electrical and electronic equipment directive

#### Section 16 - Other Information

#### **Abbreviations Used:**

ACGIH TWA American Council of Government and Industrial Hygienists Time Weighted

Average value.

CAS Chemical Abstracts Service

NA Not applicable

N.O.S. Not otherwise specified













