1. Product Identification

**Synonyms:** Barium hydroxide octahydrate; barium hydrate; barium hydroxide, 8-hydrate

**CAS No.:** 17194-00-2 (Anhydrous) 12230-71-6 (Octahydrate)

**Molecular Weight:** 315.47

**Chemical Formula:** Ba(OH)2.8H2O

**Product Codes:**
- J.T. Baker: 1006
- Macron: 3772, H425

2. Composition/Information on Ingredients

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3. Hazards Identification

**Emergency Overview**

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**DANGER! MAY BE FATAL IF SWALLOWED. HARMFUL IF INHALED. CAUSES IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES AND RESPIRATORY TRACT. AFFECTS MUSCLES (INCLUDING THE HEART), AND CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM.**

**SAF-T-DATA(tm) Ratings (Provided here for your convenience)**

- Health Rating: 3 - Severe (Poison)
- Flammability Rating: 0 - None
- Reactivity Rating: 1 - Slight
- Contact Rating: 3 - Severe
- Lab Protective Equiv: GOGGLES & SHIELD; LAB COAT & APRON; VENT HOOD; PROPER GLOVES
- Storage Color Code: Blue (Health)
Potential Health Effects

Inhalation:
Inhalation of dust cause irritation to the nose, throat, and respiratory tract. Symptoms include sore throat, coughing, and shortness of breath. Systemic poisoning may occur in sensitive individuals with symptoms similar to those of ingestion.

Ingestion:
A systemic poison that competes with potassium in the nervous system. Causes severe irritation of the gastrointestinal tract, tightness in the muscles of the face and neck, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, muscular tremors, anxiety, weakness, labored breathing, cardiac irregularity, convulsions, and death from cardiac and respiratory failure. Estimated lethal dose lies between 1 to 15 grams. Death may occur within hours or up to a few days. May cause kidney damage.

Skin Contact:
Solutions are strongly alkaline, highly irritating and may cause burns.

Eye Contact:
Dusts cause eye irritation. Solutions may cause burns and damage.

Chronic Exposure:
No information found.

Aggravation of Pre-existing Conditions:
Persons with pre-existing skin and nervous system disorders or impaired respiratory or kidney function may be more susceptible to the effects of this substance.

4. First Aid Measures

Inhalation:
Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

Ingestion:
If swallowed, give large quantities of water to drink and get medical attention immediately. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Skin Contact:
Wipe off excess material from skin then immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse.

Eye Contact:
Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids occasionally. Get medical attention immediately.

Note to Physician:
Treatment is symptomatic and supportive. Sodium sulfate can be given in case of ingestion to precipitate out the barium as barium sulfate.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Fire:
Not considered to be a fire hazard.

Explosion:
Not considered to be an explosion hazard.

Fire Extinguishing Media:
Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire.

Special Information:
In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.
6. Accidental Release Measures

Ventilate area of leak or spill. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment as specified in Section 8. Spills: Pick up and place in a suitable container for reclamation or disposal, using a method that does not generate dust.

7. Handling and Storage

Keep in a tightly closed container, stored in a cool, dry, ventilated area. Protect against physical damage. Isolate from incompatible substances. Containers of this material may be hazardous when empty since they retain product residues (dust, solids); observe all warnings and precautions listed for the product.

8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Airborne Exposure Limits:
For Soluble Barium Compounds:
OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL):
0.5 mg (Ba)/m3
ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TLV):
0.5 mg (Ba)/m3 A4 - not classifiable as a human carcinogen

Ventilation System:
A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures below the Airborne Exposure Limits. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area. Please refer to the ACGIH document, Industrial Ventilation, A Manual of Recommended Practices, most recent edition, for details.

Personal Respirators (NIOSH Approved):
If the exposure limit is exceeded and engineering controls are not feasible, a half facepiece particulate respirator (NIOSH type N95 or better filters) may be worn for up to ten times the exposure limit or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. A full-face piece particulate respirator (NIOSH type N100 filters) may be worn up to 50 times the exposure limit, or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency, or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. If oil particles (e.g. lubricants, cutting fluids, glycerine, etc.) are present, use a NIOSH type R or P filter. For emergencies or instances where the exposure levels are not known, use a full-facepiece positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator. WARNING: Air-purifying respirators do not protect workers in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.

Skin Protection:
Wear impervious protective clothing, including boots, gloves, lab coat, apron or coveralls, as appropriate, to prevent skin contact.

Eye Protection:
Use chemical safety goggles and/or full face shield where dusting or splashing of solutions is possible. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance:
Colorless or white crystals.

Odor:
Odorless.

Solubility:
5.6g/100g water @ 15C (59F).

Density:
2.18
pH:
Aqueous solutions are strongly alkaline.
% Volatiles by volume @ 21C (70F):
0
Boiling Point:
780C (1436F)
Melting Point:
78C (172F)
Vapor Density (Air=1):
No information found.
Vapor Pressure (mm Hg):
No information found.
Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):
No information found.

10. Stability and Reactivity

Stability:
Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage. Very Alkaline. Rapidly absorbs carbon dioxide from air, becoming completely insoluble in water.
Hazardous Decomposition Products:
No information found.
Hazardous Polymerization:
Will not occur.
Incompatibilities:
Acids, oxidizers, chlorinated rubber. Corrosive to metals such as zinc.
Conditions to Avoid:
Air, dusting, and incompatibles.

11. Toxicological Information

Anhydrous: Oral rat LD50: 308 mg/kg.

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12. Ecological Information

Environmental Fate:
This material may bioaccumulate to some extent.
Environmental Toxicity:
No information found.

13. Disposal Considerations

Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be managed in an appropriate and approved waste facility. Although not a listed RCRA hazardous waste, this material may exhibit one or more characteristics of a hazardous waste and require appropriate analysis to determine specific disposal requirements. Processing, use or
contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal regulations. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

14. Transport Information

Domestic (Land, D.O.T.)

Proper Shipping Name: BARIUM COMPOUND, N.O.S. (BARIUM HYDROXIDE)
Hazard Class: 6.1
UN/NA: UN1564
Packing Group: III
Information reported for product/size: 100LB

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15. Regulatory Information

--------\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 1\-----------------------------------------------------------
Ingredient                                    TSCA  EC  Japan  Australia
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Barium Hydroxide (17194-00-2)          Yes  Yes  Yes      Yes

--------\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 2\-----------------------------------------------------------
Ingredient                                    Korea  DSL  NDSL  Phil.
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Barium Hydroxide (17194-00-2)          Yes  Yes   No     Yes

--------\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 1\------------------------------------------
Ingredient                                    -SARA 302-        -SARA 313-----
RQ  TPQ  List  Chemical Catg.
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Barium Hydroxide (17194-00-2)          No    No     No    Barium compo

--------\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 2\------------------------------------------
Ingredient                                    -RCRA- 261.33  -TSCA- 8(d)
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Barium Hydroxide (17194-00-2)          No    No     No
Chemical Weapons Convention: No  TSCA 12(b): No  CDTA: No
SARA 311/312: Acute: Yes  Chronic: No  Fire: No  Pressure: No
Reactivity: No  (Pure / Solid)

**Australian Hazchem Code:** 2Z

**Poison Schedule:** None allocated.

**WHMIS:**
This MSDS has been prepared according to the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

### 16. Other Information

**NFPA Ratings:**
- Health: 3
- Flammability: 0
- Reactivity: 0

**Label Hazard Warning:**
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**Label Precautions:**
- Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.
- Do not breathe dust.
- Keep container closed.
- Use only with adequate ventilation.
- Wash thoroughly after handling.

**Label First Aid:**
- If swallowed, induce vomiting immediately as directed by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes or skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. In all cases, get medical attention.

**Product Use:**
Laboratory Reagent.

**Revision Information:**
No Changes.

**Disclaimer:**
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