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# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

#### MATERIAL IDENTIFICATION

Trade Names: L-XX,CF-XX,HP-XX,SF-XX (XX=Length)

Generic Names: Flexduct, flexible duct, insulated flexible duct. Chemical Name: N/A CAS Number: N/A DOT Hazard Class: N/A

Manufacturers Name: California Flex Corporation Address: 1318 First St., San Fernando, CA.

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#### HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS

Material: Fiberous Glass Cured Phenolformaldehyde Resin

65997-17-3 25104-55-6 CAS Number:

55% 4% Concentration:

OSHA PEL: 5mg/m³Nusiance respirable dust None ACGIH TLV: 10mg/m³dust None

#### PHYSICAL DATA

Appearance: Clear or white hose-like inner liner wrapped with an insulation blanket and grey, black or silver vapor barrier.

Odor: Negligible

Specific Gravity: N/AMelting Point: Varies Vapor Pressure: N/A

### FIRE & EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA

Flash Point: N/A

Flamability Limits: N/A

Extinguishing Media: Any method which is applicable to the

surrounding fire.

Unusual Fire of Explosive Hazards: There are no unusual hazards. Special Fire Fighting Instructions: In a sustained fire self

contained breathing apparatus should be worn.

Products of Combustion: Mainly CO, CO2 and water with the possibility of some ammonia, alcohols, aldehydes, acrolins and NO<sup>2</sup> being formed.

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### REACTIVITY DATA

Stability: Product is stable.
Conditions to avoid: None in intended use.
Hazardous Decomposition Products: In a fire - CO, CO<sup>2</sup>, ammonia, alcohol, acrolins, aldehydes and NO<sup>2</sup>.
Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

# HEALTH HAZARD DATA

Exposure: Once properly installed the fiberglass in the product is encapsulated and exposure to fiberglass particles is negligible. The greatest exposure to fiberglass occurs during handling of the product when installing. Primary Routes of Entry: Inhalation, skin and eye contact. Acute: Exposure to fiberglass may cause temporary skin, eye and upper respiratory irritation. Medical Conditions which may be aggravated: Pre-existing conditions which may be aggravated by mechanical irritants. Chronic: The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), an agency of the World Health Organization (WHO), at a meeting in June, 1987 reviewed all of the significant research on the health effects attributed to fiberglass.

IARC determined that evidence was enadequate to link fiberglass with cancer in humans based on extensive research including the results of recent North American European human studies covering over 27,000 fiberglass plant workers (including 15,000 U.S. fiberglass factory workers) which showed no statistically significant increase in lung cancer death rates among these workers as compared to the general population of their local communities. These studies focused on deaths from all causes occuring after 1945 among these factory workers.

A small study of Canadian glass wool plant workers reported a statistically significant increase in lung cancer death.

IARC also reviewed animal studies involving exposure to fiberglass. In comprehensive studies, where laboratory animals were forced to inhale fibers (in far greater concentrations than human exposure), there was no evidence of cancer or other respiratory disease. However, in other animal experiments in which glass

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wool fibers were artificially injected or surgically implanted in the animal's lungs, tumors were produced. Such procedures by-passed normal body defense mechanisms.

Based largely on the animal implantations experiments and following its mandatory classification protocol, IARC classified glass wool as category 2B, "possibly carcinogenic to humans". IARC regards it as prudent to treat a material for which there is sufficient evidence of carcinogenicity in animals as if it is a possible carcinogen to humans.

## Carcinogenicity:

Ingredient: Fibrous Glass

MTP: Not Listed

IARC: Classified as 2B

OSHA: Not Regulated as a Carcinogen

## EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID PROCEDURES

Inhalation: Remove from exposure, get medical help if irritation

persists.

Skin Contact: Clean with mild soap and water. Get medical help

if irritation persists.

Eye contact: Flush with clean water for at least 15 minutes.

Get medical help if irritation persists.

#### SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

Respiratory: Wear respirator approved by NIOSH and MSHA for dust where sensitivity to dust and airborn particles may cause

irritation to the nose or throat.

Eye: Wear eye protection (safety glasses, goggles etc.) when

installing product.

Skin: Exposure to the fiberglass in the product may cause temporary skin irritation. Wear long sleeves, rubber gloves and a cap as necessary.

Waste Disposal Information: Scrap material should be disposed of in a sanitary landfill in accordance with local, state and

federal regulations.

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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Acronyms Used: CAS No.: Chemical Abstracts Service Number

mg/m³: Milligrams per cubic meter

N/A: Not applicable

NTP: National Toxicology Program

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

MSHA: Mine Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety and

Health

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration

California Prop. 65: The only materials in Casco Flex listed in the California Safe Drinking Water Act of 1986 (Prop. 65) are trace amounts of cadmium and lead in the zinc coating of the wire helix. There is approximately 0.0006% cadmium and 0.001% lead based on the total product weight.

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