



# **Prairie Mud Service Ltd.**

"Serving Western Canada with 24 Hour Drilling Mud Service"

## **MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet)**

### **SECTION I: IDENTIFICATION OF PRODUCT**

COMPANY: **Prairie Mud Service** DATE: Oct 15/09  
**738 6<sup>th</sup> Street** PHONE: 306-634-3411  
**Estevan, SK S4A 1A4** FAX: 306-634-6694

PRODUCT NAME: **SALT GEL**

PRODUCT USE: Oil-well drilling fluid additive.  
CHEMICAL FAMILY: Sepiolite clay CAS #: 63800-37-3

### **WORKPLACE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION SYSTEM (WHMIS)**

WHMIS CLASSIFICATION: D2A  
WORKPLACE HAZARD: Potential carcinogen; contains crystalline silica

### **TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS (TDG)**

PROPER SHIPPING NAME: Not regulated under TDG  
TDG CLASSIFICATION: Not applicable  
UN NUMBER (PIN): Not applicable  
PACKING GROUP: Not applicable

### **SECTION II: HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS**

<u>INGREDIENT</u>	<u>% (w/w)</u>	<u>CAS NUMBER</u>	<u>LD<sub>50</sub> Oral-Rat</u>	<u>LC<sub>50</sub> Inhal-Rat</u>	<u>ACGIH-TLV</u>
Silica, crystalline quartz	Unknown	14808-60-7	Not available	Not available	0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

### **SECTION III: HEALTH HAZARDS**

ROUTE OF ENTRY:  EYE CONTACT  SKIN  INHALATION  INGESTION

EYE CONTACT: Mechanical irritant.

SKIN CONTACT: Possible drying resulting in dermatitis.

INGESTION: No adverse effect expected.

INHALATION: Inhalation may cause irritation of the nose, throat and respiratory passages. Long-term inhalation may cause silicosis, a progressive, disabling and, sometimes, fatal lung disease. Chronic inhalation exposure to crystalline silica quartz has been observed to cause lymph node effects, kidney effects and auto-immune disease.



# **Prairie Mud Service Ltd.**

*"Serving Western Canada with 24 Hour Drilling Mud Service"*

## **MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet)**

CARCINOGENICITY:	Crystalline silica when inhaled in the form of quartz or cristobalite from occupational sources is carcinogenic to humans: The IARC has concluded that this chemical is carcinogenic to humans (Group 1). The ACGIH has designated this chemical as a suspected human carcinogen (A2). The US NTP has listed this chemical as a known human carcinogen.
TERATOGENICITY:	No information available.
REPRODUCTIVE TOXICITY:	No information available.
MUTAGENICITY:	Crystalline silica has been shown to cause mutagenic effects in human cells in-vitro.
SYNERGISTIC PRODUCTS:	No information available.

## **SECTION IV: FIRST AID MEASURES**

SKIN CONTACT:	If irritation occurs, or at end of shift, wash thoroughly with soap and water. If irritation persists, obtain medical attention.
EYE CONTACT:	Flush with gently flowing warm water until particles are removed. If irritation persists, obtain medical attention.
INGESTION:	No adverse effects expected. If symptoms develop, or if large amounts are ingested, obtain medical attention.
INHALATION:	Move to area free from dust. Apply oxygen or artificial respiration if required. If breathing difficulties or distress continues, obtain medical attention.

## **SECTION V: PHYSICAL DATA**

APPEARANCE AND ODOUR:	Grey or tan powder; earthy odour when wet	
SPECIFIC GRAVITY:	1.9 – 2.4	
BOILING POINT (°C):	>537	
MELTING POINT (°C):	No applicable	
SOLUBILITY IN WATER:	Insoluble	pH: Not applicable
PERCENT VOLATILE BY VOLUME:	Not applicable	
EVAPORATION RATE:	Not applicable	
VAPOUR PRESSURE (mmHg):	Not applicable	
VAPOUR DENSITY (air = 1):	Not applicable	
BULK DENSITY:	Not applicable	



# **Prairie Mud Service Ltd.**

*"Serving Western Canada with 24 Hour Drilling Mud Service"*

## **MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet)**

### **SECTION VI: FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA**

FLASH POINT:	Non flammable
FLAMMABLE LIMITS:	None
EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:	Use media suitable for packaging and surrounding materials.
SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:	Self contained breathing apparatus required for fire fighting personnel. Becomes very slippery when wet.
UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:	None known.

### **SECTION VII: REACTIVITY DATA**

STABILITY:	STABLE [XX]	UNSTABLE [ ]
INCOMPATIBILITY (CONDITIONS TO AVOID):	None known.	
CONDITIONS OF REACTIVITY:	Not known.	
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:	Not known.	
HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:	WILL NOT OCCUR [XX]	MAY OCCUR [ ]

### **SECTION VIII: PREVENTATIVE MEASURES**

#### **SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION**

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:	NIOSH/MESA approved respirators for silica bearing dust.
VENTILATION:	Use local exhaust ventilation, process enclosure or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below PEL's/TLV's.
PROTECTIVE GLOVES:	Generally not necessary; personal preference.
EYE PROTECTION:	Suggest safety glasses or goggles be worn.
OTHER PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (Specify):	Ensure eye wash station and emergency shower are available.

### **PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN HANDLING AND STORING**

Avoid breathing dust; wear an approved respirator. Practice reasonable caution and personal cleanliness. Avoid eye contact. Use dustless system for handling, storage, and clean up. Do not permit dust to collect on walls, floors, sills, ledges, machinery, or equipment. Launder contaminated clothing before reuse. Material may become very slippery when wet. Store in a cool, dry area. Empty packaging contains residual hazardous material and should be handled as if full.



# ***Prairie Mud Service Ltd.***

*"Serving Western Canada with 24 Hour Drilling Mud Service"*

## **MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet)**

### **STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE THE MATERIAL IS SPILLED OR RELEASED**

Use suitable protective equipment including respiratory protection. Avoid creating dust cloud, vacuum if possible. Collect uncontaminated material for repackaging. Collect contaminated material in an approved container for disposal. Spilled material may become very slippery when wet.

### **WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD**

Dispose of in accordance with federal, provincial and local regulations. Material can be land filled in most areas; check with local operator. It is the responsibility of the end-user to determine if material meets the criteria of hazardous waste at the time of disposal.

### **SECTION IX: PREPARATION**

The above information is supplied as a customer service and is provided in good faith. Although it has been based on data drawn from sources deemed to be reliable, Prairie Mud Service cannot guarantee its accuracy and assumes no responsibility for conditions resulting from its use.

DATE ISSUED: Oct 15, 2009

BY: Product safety committee

PHONE: 306-634-3411