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# Section 1 - Identification of The Material and Supplier

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Chemical nature:

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Ametryn (major ingredient) is a 1,3,5-triazine derivative.

Trade Name: Ametrex 800 WG Herbicide

**Product Use:** Agricultural herbicide for use as described on the product label.

Creation Date: June, 2005

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### **Section 2 - Hazards Identification**

### **Statement of Hazardous Nature**

This product is classified as: Xi, Irritating. N, Dangerous to the environment. Hazardous according to the criteria of SWA.

Not subject to the ADG Code when transported in Australia by Road or Rail in packages 500kg(L) or less; or IBCs (refer to SP AU01). However if transported by Air or Sea, this provision does not apply. Then the product is classed as Dangerous (Class 9 Environmentally Hazardous) by IATA and IMDG/IMSBC respectively. See details below and in Section 14 of this SDS.

**SUSMP Classification: S5** 

**ADG Classification:** Class 9: Miscellaneous dangerous goods.

UN Number: 3077, ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.



### GHS Signal word: WARNING

Acute Toxicity Oral Category 4

Hazardous to aquatic environment Short term/Chronic Category 1

#### **HAZARD STATEMENT:**

H302: Harmful if swallowed.

H410: Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

### **PREVENTION**

P262: Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

P264: Wash contacted areas thoroughly after handling.

P270: Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P273: Avoid release to the environment.

P281: Use personal protective equipment as required.

#### **RESPONSE**

P330: Rinse mouth.

P352: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P301+P312: IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor if you feel unwell.

P301+P330+P331: IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P391: Collect spillage.

P370+P378: Not combustible. Use extinguishing media suited to burning materials.

### **STORAGE**

P410: Protect from sunlight.

P402+P404: Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container.

#### **DISPOSAL**

P501: If they can not be recycled, dispose of contents to an approved waste disposal plant and containers to landfill (see Section 13 of this SDS).

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### **Emergency Overview**

Physical Description & colour: Brownish granulated solid.

Odour: Faint odour.

**Major Health Hazards:** Symptoms of acute exposure to high doses include nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, muscle weakness, and salivation. Ametryn is moderately irritating to the eyes, skin, and respiratory tract. Harmful if swallowed.

Section 3 - Composition/Information on Ingredients				
Ingredients	CAS No	Conc,%	TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	STEL (mg/m³)
Ametryn	834-12-8	800g/kg	not set	not set
Other non hazardous ingredients	secret	to 100	not set	not set

This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary slightly. Minor quantities of other non hazardous ingredients are also possible.

The TWA exposure value is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week. The STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit) is an exposure value that should not be exceeded for more than 15 minutes and should not be repeated for more than 4 times per day. There should be at least 60 minutes between successive exposures at the STEL. The term "peak "is used when the TWA limit, because of the rapid action of the substance, should never be exceeded, even briefly.

### **Section 4 - First Aid Measures**

#### General Information:

You should call The Poisons Information Centre if you feel that you may have been poisoned, burned or irritated by this product. The number is 13 1126 from anywhere in Australia (0800 764 766 in New Zealand) and is available at all times. Have this SDS with you when you call.

**Inhalation:** No first aid measures normally required. However, if inhalation has occurred, and irritation has developed, remove to fresh air and observe until recovered. If irritation becomes painful or persists more than about 30 minutes, seek medical advice.

**Skin Contact:** Wash gently and thoroughly with water (use non-abrasive soap if necessary) for 10 minutes or until chemical is removed. If irritation persists, repeat flushing and obtain medical advice.

**Eye Contact:** Immediately flush the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 20 minutes or until the product is removed, while holding the eyelid(s) open. Take care not to rinse contaminated water into the unaffected eye or onto the face. Obtain medical attention immediately. Take special care if exposed person is wearing contact lenses.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Wash mouth with water and contact a Poisons Information Centre, or call a doctor.

# **Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures**

**Fire and Explosion Hazards**: There is no risk of an explosion from this product under normal circumstances if it is involved in a fire. Violent steam generation or eruption may occur upon application of direct water stream on hot liquids.

Fire decomposition products from this product may be toxic if inhaled. Take appropriate protective measures.

**Extinguishing Media:** Water fog or fine spray is the preferred medium for large fires. Try to contain spills, minimise spillage entering drains or water courses.

**Fire Fighting:** If a significant quantity of this product is involved in a fire, call the fire brigade. There is little danger of a violent reaction or explosion if significant quantities of this product are involved in a fire. Recommended personal protective equipment is full fire kit and breathing apparatus.

Flash point: Not flammable.

Upper Flammability Limit: No data.

Lower Flammability Limit: No data.

Autoignition temperature: No data.

Flammability Class: No data.

### Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**Accidental release:** In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses. As a minimum, wear overalls, goggles and gloves. Suitable materials for protective clothing include rubber, PVC. Eye/face protective equipment should comprise as a minimum, protective glasses and, preferably, goggles. If there is a

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significant chance that dusts are likely to build up in cleanup area, we recommend that you use a suitable Dust Mask. Use a P1 mask, designed for use against mechanically generated particles eg silica & asbestos. Stop leak if safe to do so, and contain spill. Sweep up and shovel or collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling or salvage, and dispose of promptly. Consider vacuuming if appropriate. Recycle containers wherever possible after careful cleaning. Refer to product label for specific instructions. After spills, wash area preventing runoff from entering drains. If a significant quantity of material enters drains, advise emergency services.

preventing runoff from entering drains. If a significant quantity of material enters drains, advise emergency services. Full details regarding disposal of used containers, spillage and unused material may be found on the label. If there is any conflict between this SDS and the label, instructions on the label prevail. Ensure legality of disposal by consulting regulations prior to disposal. Thoroughly launder protective clothing before storage or re-use. Advise laundry of nature of contamination when sending contaminated clothing to laundry.

# **Section 7 - Handling and Storage**

**Handling:** Keep exposure to this product to a minimum, and minimise the quantities kept in work areas. Check Section 8 of this SDS for details of personal protective measures, and make sure that those measures are followed. The measures detailed below under "Storage" should be followed during handling in order to minimise risks to persons using the product in the workplace. Also, avoid contact or contamination of product with incompatible materials listed in Section 10.

**Storage:** This product is a Scheduled Poison. Observe all relevant regulations regarding sale, transport and storage of this schedule of poison. Protect this product from light. Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight. Make sure that the product does not come into contact with substances listed under "Incompatibilities" in Section 10. Check packaging - there may be further storage instructions on the label.

# **Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection**

The following Australian Standards will provide general advice regarding safety clothing and equipment:

Respiratory equipment: **AS/NZS 1715**, Protective Gloves: **AS 2161**, Occupational Protective Clothing: AS/NZS 4501 set 2008, Industrial Eye Protection: **AS1336** and **AS/NZS 1337**, Occupational Protective Footwear: **AS/NZS2210**.

SWA Exposure Limits TWA (mg/m³) STEL (mg/m³)

Exposure limits have not been established by SWA for any of the significant ingredients in this product.

The ADI for Ametryn is set at 0.02mg/kg/day. The corresponding NOEL is set at 2mg/kg/day. ADI means Acceptable Daily Intake and NOEL means No-observable-effect-level. Values taken from Australian ADI List, June 2013.

No special equipment is usually needed when occasionally handling small quantities. The following instructions are for bulk handling or where regular exposure in an occupational setting occurs without proper containment systems.

**Ventilation:** No special ventilation requirements are normally necessary for this product. However make sure that the work environment remains clean and that dusts are minimised.

**Eye Protection:** Eye protection such as protective glasses or goggles is recommended when this product is being used.

**Skin Protection:** The information at hand indicates that this product is not harmful and that normally no special skin protection is necessary. However, we suggest that you routinely avoid contact with all chemical products and that you wear suitable gloves (preferably elbow-length) when skin contact is likely.

**Protective Material Types:** We suggest that protective clothing be made from the following: rubber, PVC. **Respirator:** If there is a significant chance that dusts are likely to build up in the area where this product is being used, we recommend that you use a suitable Dust Mask.

# **Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties**

Physical Description & colour: Brownish granulated solid.

Odour: Faint odour.

**Boiling Point:** Not available. Ametryn boils at 337°C (98.6kPa)

Freezing/Melting Point: Ametryn melts 84-85°C

**Volatiles:** No specific data. Expected to be low at 100°C. **Vapour Pressure:** Negligible at normal ambient temperatures.

Vapour Density:No data.Specific Gravity:No data.Water Solubility:Wettable.pH:No data.Volatility:No data.Odour Threshold:No data.Evaporation Rate:No data.

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Coeff Oil/water distribution: Log Pow = 2.63 at 25°C

Autoignition temp: No data.

# **Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity**

**Reactivity**: This product is unlikely to react or decompose under normal storage conditions. However, if you have any doubts, contact the supplier for advice on shelf life properties.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Protect this product from light. Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight.

**Incompatibilities:** strong oxidising agents.

**Fire Decomposition:** Carbon dioxide, and if combustion is incomplete, carbon monoxide and smoke. Nitrogen and its compounds, and under some circumstances, oxides of nitrogen. Occasionally hydrogen cyanide gas. Oxides of sulfur (sulfur dioxide is a respiratory hazard) and other sulfur compounds. Most will have a foul odour. Water. Carbon monoxide poisoning produces headache, weakness, nausea, dizziness, confusion, dimness of vision, disturbance of judgment, and unconsciousness followed by coma and death. Hydrogen cyanide poisoning signs and symptoms are weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea, vomiting, coma, convulsions, and death. Death results from respiratory arrest. Hydrogen cyanide gas acts very rapidly; symptoms and death can both occur quickly.

**Polymerisation:** This product will not undergo polymerisation reactions.

## **Section 11 - Toxicological Information**

**Toxicity:** Acute **Toxicity:** Ametryn is harmful to humans. Symptoms of acute exposure to high doses include nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, muscle weakness, and salivation. Ametryn is moderately irritating to the eyes, skin, and respiratory tract. The  $LD_{50}$  is the dose of Ametryn which is lethal to half of the test animals that ingest it. The oral  $LD_{50}$  of Ametryn is 508 mg/kg for rats and 945 mg/kg for mice. The  $LC_{50}$  for rats that inhale Ametryn for four hours is greater than 2.2 mg/l of air. The dermal  $LD_{50}$  is greater than 3,100 mg/kg for rats and 8,160 mg/kg for rabbits. Acute eye exposure in rabbits causes a temporary irritation.

Chronic Toxicity: No information is currently available Reproductive Effects: No information is currently available. Teratogenic Effects: No information is currently available.

Mutagenic Effects: Studies have shown that Ametryn is not mutagenic.

**Carcinogenic Effects:** There is not adequate data to determine if Ametryn can increase the risk of cancer in humans. **Organ Toxicity:** Animal studies indicate that consuming large amounts of Ametryn over a long period of time results in liver damage.

**Fate in Humans and Animals:** Excretion of Ametryn is rapid. In rats, all but 2 to 7% is eliminated in the urine and faeces within 72 hours.

### **Classification of Hazardous Ingredients**

Ingredient Risk Phrases

Ametryn Conc>=25%: Xn; R22

Acute toxicity - category 4

- Hazardous to the aquatic environment (acute) category 1
- Hazardous to the aquatic environment (chronic) category 1

### **Potential Health Effects**

See section above for Chronic exposure studies.

#### Inhalation

**Short term exposure:** Significant inhalation exposure is considered to be unlikely. Long term inhalation of high amounts of any nuisance dust may overload lung clearance mechanism. Available data indicates that this product is not harmful. In addition product is unlikely to cause any discomfort or irritation.

#### **Skin Contact:**

**Short Term Exposure:** Available data indicates that this product is not harmful. It should present no hazards in normal use. However product is believed to be mildly irritating, but is unlikely to cause anything more than mild transient discomfort.

Long Term Exposure: No data for health effects associated with long term skin exposure.

### **Eve Contact:**

**Short Term Exposure:** This product is an eye irritant. Symptoms may include stinging and reddening of eyes and watering which may become copious. Other symptoms may also become evident. If exposure is brief, symptoms

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should disappear once exposure has ceased. However, lengthy exposure or delayed treatment may cause permanent damage.

Long Term Exposure: No data for health effects associated with long term eye exposure.

### Ingestion:

**Short Term Exposure:** Significant oral exposure is considered to be unlikely. However, this product is an oral irritant. Symptoms may include burning sensation and reddening of skin in mouth and throat. Other symptoms may also become evident, but all should disappear once exposure has ceased.

Long Term Exposure: No data for health effects associated with long term ingestion.

### Carcinogen Status:

**SWA:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by SWA. **NTP:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by NTP. **IARC:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by IARC.

### **Section 12 - Ecological Information**

**Effects on Birds:** Ametryn is only slightly toxic to birds. The dietary  $LC_{50}$  (8 day) is 30,000 mg/kg for bobwhite quail 23.000 mg/kg for mallard ducks and 1735mg/kg for Japanese quail.

**Effects on Aquatic Organisms:** Ametryn is moderately toxic to fish. The  $LC_{50}$  for rainbow trout exposed for 96 hours is 8.8 mg/l. The  $LC_{50}$  for bluegill is 4.1 mg/l and for goldfish it is 14.1 mg/l. Ametryn is highly toxic to crustaceans and moderately to highly toxic to molluscs.  $LC_{50}$  (Algae, 48hr) 0.84mg/L

Effects on Other Animals (Nontarget species): Ametryn is only slightly toxic to bees.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL FATE**

**Breakdown in Soil & Groundwater:** Ametryn's half-life in soils, the amount of time it takes to degrade to half of the original concentration, is 70 to 250 days, depending on the soil type and weather conditions. Loss from the soil is principally by microbial degradation. Ametryn moves both vertically and laterally in soil due to its high water solubility. Because it is persistent, it may leach as a result of high rainfall, floods, and furrow irrigation. In a study of surface and groundwater contaminants in the U.S, Ametryn was found in six states, in very few surface water samples and in 4% of the groundwater samples. The maximum concentration found was 0.1 micrograms/l in surface water and 450 micrograms/l in groundwater.

**Breakdown in Vegetation:** Ametryn is broken down into non-toxic substances by tolerant plants and, to a lesser extent, by sensitive plants.

# **Section 13 - Disposal Considerations**

**Disposal:** Instructions concerning the disposal of this product and its containers are given on the registered label. These should be carefully followed. Special help is available for the disposal of Agricultural Chemicals. The product label will give general advice regarding disposal of small quantities, and how to cleanse containers. However, for help with the collection of unwanted rural chemicals, contact ChemClear 1800 008 182 http://www.chemclear.com.au/ and for help with the disposal of empty drums, contact DrumMuster http://www.drummuster.com.au/ where you will find contact details for your area.

# **Section 14 - Transport Information**

Not subject to the ADG Code when transported by Road or Rail in Australia, in packages 500kg(L) or less; or IBCs, but classed as Dangerous by IATA and IMDG/IMSBC when carried by Air or Sea transport (see details below).

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**Hazchem Code: 2Z** 

**Special Provisions:** 274, 331, 335, 375, AU01

Limited quantities: ADG 7 specifies a Limited Quantity value of 5 kg for this class of product.

Dangerous Goods Class: Class 9: Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods.

Packing Group: III

Packing Instruction: P002, IBC08, LP02

Class 9 Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods shall not be loaded in the same vehicle or packed in the same freight container with Dangerous Goods of Class 1 (Explosives).

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# **Section 15 - Regulatory Information**

**AICS:** All of the significant ingredients in this product are compliant with NICNAS regulations. The following ingredients: Ametryn, are mentioned in the SUSMP.

### Section 16 - Other Information

This SDS contains only safety-related information. For other data see product literature.

Acronyms:

ADG Code Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail, 7th Edition

AICS Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
CAS number Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number

**Hazchem Code** Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency

services especially firefighters

IARC International Agency for Research on Cancer
SWA Safe Work Australia, formerly ASCC and NOHSC

NOS Not otherwise specified

NTP National Toxicology Program (USA)

**R-Phrase** Risk Phrase

SUSMP Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines & Poisons

**UN Number** United Nations Number

Contact Points:

Call ADAMA on (02) 9431 7800 and ask for the technical manager. Fax: (02) 9431 7700

Police and Fire Brigade: Dial 000

Emergency contact: 1800 024 973 (24 hours)

If ineffective: Dial Poisons Information Centre

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Please read all labels carefully before using product.

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