# Contour, Precapsulated

# 1 - IDENTIFICATION

Manufacturer's Name: Address:

Kerr Corporation 28200 Wick road

City, State, Zip:

Romulus, MI 48174

Emergency:

800-424-9300

Telephone: Date Prepared:

800-537-7123 February 28, 1998

# 2 - COMPOSITION INFORMATION

Hazardous Ingredients: Mercury

OSHA PEL

TLV

Common Name: Ouicksilver

 $0.05 \text{ mg/m}^3$   $0.05 \text{ mg/m}^3$ 

UN Number: 2809 Other Ingreients:

CAS NUMBER: 7439-97-6

Alloy powder contains silver, tin and copper metals.

## 3 - PHYSICAL /CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Boiling Point:** 

674° F

Specific Gravity (H<sub>2</sub>0 · 1):

13.35

Vapor Pressure (mm Hg.):.

0.0012 mm Hg @ 68° F.

Melting Point:

-38° F.

Vapor Density:

Not Established

**Evaporation Rate:** 

Not Established

Solubility in Water:

0.0002g/100g water @ 68° F. Appearance and Odor: Powder: Odorless dark-gray alloy of silver, tin and copper. Liquid: Mercury is a silvery, mobile,

odorless liquid.

This MSDS addresses mercury (liquid) portion of the product which is a known health hazard. The powder is not considered to be hazardous. The health hazard data section references information relative to bulk quantities of elemental mercury and may not reflect the actual hazards of small quantities such as those encountered with this product.

#### 4 - FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA

Flash Point (Method Used): N/A

Flammable Limits: LEL: N/A UEL: N/A

Extinguishing Media: Carbon Dioxide, Dry chemical foam. Special Fire Fighting Procedures: Firefighters should wear selfcontained breathing apparatus when fighting a fire in an area containing mercury. Unusual Fire Fighting Procedures: Emits toxic fumes in fire conditions.

## 5 - REACTIVITY DATA

Stability: Stable

Conditions to Avoid: High temperatures.

Incompatibility (Material to Avoid):. Halogens, ammonia, and

strong oxidizing agents.

Hazardous Decomposition Byproducts: Mercury Vapor.

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur

#### 6 - HEALTH HAZARD DATA Acute/Chronic

Carcinogenicity:

NTP:

No

IARC Monographs: No

**OSHA** Regulated:

Yes

Effects and Hazards of Eye Contact: Irritant. Acute Exposure: Contact may cause irritation. Mercury is corrosive and may cause corneal injury or burns. Chronic Exposure: Mercury may be deposited in the lens of the eye, causing visual disturbances.

Effects and Hazards of Skin Contact:

Irritant/Sensitizer/Neurotoxin/Nephrotoxin.

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Acute Exposure: May cause redness and irritation.Chronic Exposure: Possible sensitization, dermatitis and swelling. Mercury may be absorbed through intact skin causing urinary problems

Effects and Hazards of Inhalation: Irritant/Sensitizer/Nerotoxin. Acute Exposure: Inhalation of mercury vapor can cause cough, fever, nausea, and vomiting.

Chronic Exposure: Inhalation of high concentrations mercury vapor over a long period causes mercurialism. Findings are extremely variable & include tremors, salivation, stomatitis, loosening of teeth, blue lines on gums, pain & numbness in extremities.

Effects and Hazards of Ingestion: Neurotoxic/nephrotoxic. Acute Exposure: May cause nausea, vomiting, kidney damage and nerve effects.

Chronic Exposure: Symptoms include Central Nervous System (CNS) disorders.

#### 7 - EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID PROCEDURES

Treatment for Eve Contact: Flush with water for at least 15 minutes. Consult a physician. Treatment for Skin Contact: Wash thoroughly with soap and water. Use hand cream. If irritation persists, consult a physician. Treatment for Inhalation: Move to fresh air. If irritation persists, consult a physician. Treatment for Ingestion: Contact a physician. May cause neurotoxic/nephrotoxic effects.

#### 8 - PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING & USE

Steps to be Taken in Case Material is Released or Spilled: Isolate the area and begin clean-up immediately. Do not touch spilled Cover all liquid droplets with a commercially available mercury vapor suppressant such as HG-X or elemental Sulfur. Collect the droplets using specialized mercury vacuum cleaners.

Waste Disposal Method: Material should not be allowed to enter sewers. All scrap mercury liquid and set alloy must be sent for reclamation by a commercial metal recycling facility.

Precautions to be Taken in Handling and Storing: Store in a cool, dry place away from ignition sources.

Other precautions: Use according to directions. Wash hands thoroughly before smoking or eating.

## 9 - CONTROL MEASURES

Respiratory Protection (Specify Type): Not needed for small quantities as encountered in this product. AVOID BREATHING OF VAPORS. HIGHLY TOXIC - IRRITANT - SENSITIZER. VENTILATION

Local Exhaust: Use in a well ventilated area to keep exposure under  $0.05 \text{ mg/m}^3$ .

Mechanical (General): Should be sufficient.

Other: Not Applicable.

Protective Gloves: Chemical resistant or latex gloves required. Eye Protection: Safety glasses with side shields. Full face shields.

Other Protective Clothing or Equipment: None

USE ONLY ACCORDING TO Work/Hygiene Practices: DIRECTIONS. Wash thoroughly after handling. Handle in accordance with good personal hygiene and safety practices. These practices include avoiding unnecessary exposure.

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# 10 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Regulated: DOT, IATA, IMO

Proper Shipping Name: Mercury Hazard Class: 8
UN Number: 2809 Packing Group: III
Label: Corrosive NOTE: See 49CFR 173.4

SPECIAL INFORMATION

This MSDS was prepared in accordance with the requirements of the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29CFR 1910.1200) and is to be used only for this product. The information contained in this sheet is, to the best of our knowledge, believed to be accurate.

# Hazard Ratings: HMIS ( Hazardous Material Identification

System)

Health = 3 Hazard Index
Flammability = 0 4 - Severe Hazard
Reactivity = 0 3 - Serious Hazard

2 - Moderate Hazard1 - Slight Hazard0 - Minimal Hazard

## State RTK: California Proposition 65 WARNING:

This product contains mercury, a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

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