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STERILANT - FUMIGANT GAS

ACTIVE INGREDIENT - ETHYLENE OXIDE 10% BY WEIGHT INERT INGREDIENT - CARBON DIOXIDE 90% BY WEIGHT

DANGER! HIGH PRESSURE NONFLAMMABLE LIQUID AND GAS. HARMFUL IF INHALED. CAUSES EYE AND SKIN BURNS. SUSPECT CANCER HAZARD.

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TLV (Ethylene Oxide): 10 PPM (1982 ACGIH)

Do not breathe gas. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or clothing. Store and use with adequate ventilation. No part of the cylinder may be exposed above 125°F (52°C). Close valve when not in use and when empty. Use in accord with tag attached to valve, Linde Form L-4705 (MSDS) and safe practices booklet L-3499.

FIRST AID: IF INHALED, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Call a physician. IN CASE OF CONTACT, immediately flush eyes or skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician. Discard contaminated clothing and shoes.

LEAK: Evacuate area and keep personnel upwind. Use self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing, and shut off leak if without risk.

FIRE: Use water spray or fog nozzle to keep cylinder cool. Move cylinder away from fire if without risk.

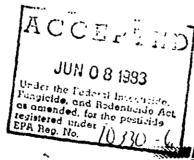
IN EMERGENCY: CALL CHEMTREC 800-424-9300.

FOR HOSPITAL AND INDUSTRIAL USE ONLY.

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DOT Shipping Name: Compressed Gas N.O.S. UN1956 IMO Shipping Name: Ethylene Oxide and Carbon Dioxide UN1952 EPA Reg. No. 10330-6 EPA Est. No. 10330-

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MADE IN USA

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#### **CARBOXIDE®** STERILANT-FUMIGANT GAS

ACTIVE INGREDIENT-ETHYLENE OXIDE 10% BY WEIGHT MERT INGREDIENT-CARBON DIOXIDE 80% BY WEIGHT

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

To be used only by persons experienced in Carboxide® gas ateritization and fumigation, or by persons under direct supernision of persons who are expenenced in Carboxide® gas elentization or furnigation. Use only in accordance with directions given on this tag and the safety precautions listed on the body label. See current Union Carbide Corporation, Linde Division, Material Safety Data Sheet, Form L-4705 and eafe practices booklet L-3499 for additional safety informs-

This mixture is NONFLAMMABLE, but if Item 8 of "General Information" below is not followed, a flammable musture could result

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- 1. This cylinder is equipped with an eductor tube and is designed to discharge liquid
- 2. The approximate vapor pressure exerted by this gas mixture will be 750 perg (5170 kPa) at 70°F (21.1°C) while figure is present. Vapor pressure will be lower if temperature is below 70°F (21.1°C), higher if temperature is above 70°F (21.1°C).
- Cylinder must be in an upright position when discharging Cylinder must be secured to prevent falling over
- 4 Discharge valve outlet is provided with a CGA 350 connecfrom which has lefthand threads. Make sure valve threads are undamaged. Do not attach ordinary pips fittings to this
- 5 Use metal (except aluminum) fittings and piping or Tation fined tubing capable of withstanding the pressures to be encountered. Install pressure relief device where liquid can be trapped between valves. Ethylene-propylene rubber and
- Tetion are suitable materials for gaskets 6 Install check valves in the discharge line from this cylinder
- to processing equipment to prevent backflow into cylinder.
  7. Open cylinder valve by turning handwheet counterclock-wise. Never use a wrench or other leverage device to open or
- Close cylinder valve.

  8. ALWAYS OPEN THE CYLINDER VALVE WIDE OPEN WHEN DISCHARGING CONTENTS Do not retard flow of gas from cylinder by throttling cylinder valve or by using pressure regulators because the ratio of Carbon Dioxide to Ethylene Oxide in the ges mixture will be changed STERILIZATION
- Use Carboxide only in sterilizers designed for use with 10% by weight Ethylene Oxide and 90% by weight Carbon Dioxide.
- 2. Use Carboxide® in accordance with directions supplied by
- the sterriger manufacturer

  3 Sterriger temperature and pressure influence both exposure time and Ethylene Oxide concentration. The variation of type and quantity of material to be sterifized, how packed, size of sterilizer, types of bacteria to be killed, and chamber relative humidity also affect exposure time required for sterilization. Gas sterilizer cycle parameters should be those prescribed by the sterilizer manufacturer.

If applicable, if other cycle parameters are used, the efficacy of the alternate cycle must be validated and is the responsibility of the user

Aerate sterilized materials before use

#### FUMIG STION

- 1. Fumigation with Carboxide® should be performed in vacuum or gastight chambers designed for use with 10% by weight Ethylene Oxide and 90% by weight Carbon Dioxide If vacuum or gastight chambers are not used precautions must be taken to ensure the safety of all potentially exposed personnel
- 2. If Carboxide® is not used in furnigation chamber, provisions must be made to assure complete vaponzation of the liquefied compressed gas by using an appropriately designed heat exchanger or a vaporizing nozzle (Linde P/N 201-4080).
- 3 Pisce warning signs around areas where material is being furnigated. Ventilate adjacent areas.
- Use self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing if personnel are required in an enclosed area during the initial gassing of that area.
- Ventilate furnigated area before entering. Aerate furnigated materials before use
- 6 Do not allow liquid to strike any object within 5 feet (1.5m). of the cylinder valve or other outlet. Discharge of liquid onto objects closer than 5 feet (1.5m) may cause solvent damage. or a release of a high proportion of Ethylene Oxide This distance may be reduced to 24 inches (61 cm) if an appro-
- priate vaporizing nozzle is used. (Linde P/N 201-4080). When performing space fumigation, ensure that the gas is distributed evenly throughout the area being treated
- If dosage required is less than the entire contents of this cylinder, determine the quantity withdrawn by using an appropriate scale. THE PROPER GAS MIXTURE CAN ONLY BE MAINTAINED BY DISCHARGING A MINIMUM OF 12 POUNDS (5.4 Kg) FROM EACH CYLINDER

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Dosage
A For chamber fumigation at 70°F (21 1°C) or higher, materials such as furs, clothing furniture spices, and natural seasonings are typically treated with 15 pounds (6 8 Kg) by weight of Carboxide® per 1000 cubic feet (28 3m3) of chamber space for 18 hours. Treatment may not be effective if material is densely packed

B. For transportation equipment such as planes: railcars, passenger cars, and buses at 70°F (21.1°C) or higher, 10 pounds (4.5 Kg) by weight of Carboxide® is typically used for every 1000 cubic feet (28.3 n.a, of vehicl\_space for 5 to 6 hours

#### OOD TREATMENT 21 CFR 193 200

Ethylene oxide may be safely used as a fumigant for the control of microorganisms and insect festation in ground spices and other processed natural seasoning materials except mixtures to which salt has been added

Ethylene oxide, either alone or officer of with carbon dioxide or dichlorodifluoromethane, shall be used in amounts not to exceed that required to accomplish the intended technical effects

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### MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

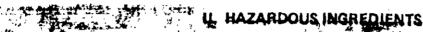
(Essentially similar to U.S. Department of Labor Form OSHA-20) An explanation of the terms used here n may be found in OSHA oub cation 2265, available from OSHA regional or area offices. Do Not Duplicate This Form, Request an Original,



L PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT CARBOXIDE * (Liquefeet	Mexture Under Pressuret			
CHEMICAL	SYNONYMS Furn gant Sterdant Mixture, 10 90			
FORMULA Mixture of ethylene oxide and carbon dioxide	CHEMICAL FAMILY			
	MOLECULAR WEIGHT			

TRADE NAME CARBOXIDE \*



For mixtures of this product request the respective component Material Safety Data Sheets See Section 1X

MATERIAL  Ethylene Oxide		Wt (≒)	1982 ACGIH TLV-TWA (Units)  10 ppm (20 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ) 1 ppm, A2 (1982 - Notice of intended changes)	
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	ACCEPTID  JUN 0 8 1983		NOTE: Currently Union Carbide Corp. have established for its own use a TLV-TWA of 5 ppm.	
Carbon Droxide	Under the Federal Insecticide. Fungicide and Redenticide Act, as amended, for the pesticide tegistered under EPA Reg. No. // 236-6	90	5,000 ppm (9,000 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	

	A STATE OF	YSICAL DATA	
BOILING POINT, 760 mm. Hg		FREEZING POINT	
SPECIFIC GRAVITY (H <sub>2</sub> O · 1)		VAPOR PRESSURE AT 20 C.	750 psig
VAPOR DENSITY (air = 1)	1 53	SOLUBILITY IN Appreciable WATER, % by wt.	e. See Section IX
PERCENT VOLATILES BY VOLUME	100	EVAPORATION RATE (Butyl Acetate = 1)	High

APPEARANCE AND ODOR — Colorless liquid, colorless gas, nonresidual ether like odor in high concentration,

IN CASE OF EMERGENCIES involving this material, for the information is available at all times at 204. For routine information contact your local supplier

Union Carbide Corporation requests the users of this product to study this Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) and become aware of product hazards and safety information. To promote safe use of this product a user should (1) notify its employees; agents and contractors of the information on this MSDS and any product hazards and safety information, (2) furnish this same information to each of its customers for the product, and (3) request such customers to notify their employees and customers for the product of the same product hazards and safety information.

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THRESHOLD LIMIT VALUE

See Section II

#### EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE AND EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID PROCEDURES

Due to the presence of Ethylene Oxide (EO) in this mixture the full text of the Health Hazards section of the EO Material Safety Data Sheet is repeated below:

#### **ACUTE EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE**

**SWALLOWING:** A very unlikely route of exposure. Severe arritation and ulceration of the mouth and throat, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, collapse, and coma.

INHALATION: Irritation of the eye, nose, and throat Headache, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, coughing, chest tightness, cyanosis, weakness, drowsmess, loss of coordination, convulsions, and coma. Delayed onset pulmonary edema may occur. SKIN: Absorption by sustained contact with the skin is unlikely, but could lead to headache, dizziness, nausea, and vomiting. Contact with liquid can lead to delayed onset of erythema, edema, vesiculation, and blister formation. Usually several hours to onset,

EYES: Burns from liquid, moderate eye arritation from vapor.

#### **CHRONIC EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE**

Ethylene Oxide is mutageriic. Animals exposed to Ethylene Oxide vapor for up to 2 years have shown an increase in the incidence of malignant tumors compared with controls. Ethylene Oxide should be regarded as a suspect cancer agent.

#### OTHER HEALTH HAZARDS

Allergic contact derinatitis may occur. A few cases of neuropathy (mainly peripheral) have been described from recurrent exposure to high vapor concentrations.

#### **EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID PROCEDURES**

SWALLOWING: Drink a glass of water and induce vomiting. Call a physician.

INHALATION: Remove to fresh air, and administer oxygen if breathing is difficult. Observe for vomiting. If breathing stops, start artificial respiration, preferably with the simultaneous administration of oxygen. Call a physician, SKIN: Immediately remove contaminated clothing and wash skin copiously with soap and water. Contact a physician if irritation persists or blisters form.

EYES: Flush immediately with water and continue for at least 15 minutes. Contact an ophthalmologist immediately.

NOTE: Aerate contaminated clothing, then wash clothing before re-use. Destroy contaminated leather articles such as shoes and gloves.

#### NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

- Persons exposed to Ethylene Oxide may develop severe and intractable vomiting, requiring the use of antiemetics given intravenously.
- 2. Prolonged or high vapor concentration exposure may result in the development of pulmonary edema after a latent phase of several hours. Also, respiratory tract injury caused by Exhylene Oxide may predispose to the development of a second-ary respiratory infection. Individuals exposed to moderately high vapor concentrations of Ethylene Oxide should be retained for observation.
- 3. Following skin contamination, primary irritation and blister formation may be delayed in onset

Dag to the high percentage of Carbon Dioxide in this mixture, the full text of the Health Hazards Section of the CO<sub>2</sub> Material Safety Data Sheet is repeated below:

#### EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE AND EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID PROCEDURES

Quiton Dioxide acts as an asphyxiant by displacing oxygen, and also causes toxic symptoms when present in sufficient amounts. SYMPTOMS: If educine, increased breathing rate, difficult breathing, perspiration, dizziness, ringing in ear, lips blue, tremois and weakness, visual disturbance, drowsiness, unconsciousness.

TREATMENT FOR ASPHYXIA: Remove from oxygen deficient atmosphere, clear airway, if breathing difficult, administer oxygen of not bigaphing, give artificial respiration is preferably mouth to mouth. Call a physician

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FLASH POINT (test method)		*1A	AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE	NA
FLAMMABLE LIMITS IN AIR, by volume	LOWER	1¢A	UPPER	ŊΑ
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SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES — Exactate all personnel from danger area. Immediately delage containers with water spray from maximum distance antificone the amove containers away from forearea if without risk. Use self-contained breathing apparatus where recessary. Stop flow of gas, fixithout risk.

#### UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS

If the flow of gas from the cylinder is restricted, in giby a throttling value or gas regulator, the ratio of carbon dioxide to ethylene oxide will be changed with the possible release of flammable ethylene oxide. If the mixture begins to burn, do not extinguish flames due to possibility of +\*plos or the gibb to Flammable valuers may spread from spill. Explosive atmosphere may linger. Before entering area, especially confined areas, check atmosphere with appropriate device.

No part of a container should be subject to a temperature higher than  $52^{\circ}$ C (approximately  $125^{\circ}$ F). Containers are provided with pressure relief devices that are designed to vent the contents when they are exposed to elevated temperature.

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STABILITY CONDITIONS TO AVOID	
UNSTABLE STABLE  Temperatures above 430°C (approximately 800°F)	ACCEPTED
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INCOMPATIBILITY (materials to avoid)  Alkalies and acids	JUN 0 8 1983
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS	Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide, as amended, for the pro-
Thermal decomposition may produce carbon monoxide and for carbon	as amended, and Rodenticide Act tegistered under the Pesticide Bar Reg. No. (673/1-4

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### STEPS TO BE TAKEN IF MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED

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VIII.	SPECIAL	PROTECTION	INFORMATION
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RESPIRATORY PROTECTION (spec	fγ	type)	
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Self-contained breathing apparatus where needed

LOCAL EXHAUST
Preferred

MECHANICAL (general)

Acceptable

SPECIAL

OTHER
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PROTECTIVE GLOVES

Neoprene

**EYE PROTECTION** 

Full face shield and safety glasses or coverall goggles.

#### OTHER PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Metatarsal shoes for cylinder handling, safety shower, eyewash fountain. Rubber shoes and apron when risk of liquid spill exists.

## X SECIAL PRECALITIONS

Liquefied gas mixture under pressure. Under certain conditions may form explosive mixtures with air. (See Section V). Can cause rapid suffocation due to oxygen deficiency. Avoid contact with eyes, skin or clothing. Safety showers and eyewash fountains should be immediately available. Use piping and equipment adequately designed to withstand pressures to be encountered. Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. Store and use with adequate ventilation at all times. Use only in a closed system. Close valve when not in use and when empty.

It may be feasible to convert aqueous solutions of ethylene oxide to ethylene glycol (under the correct conditions of pH, temperature and pressure) and dispose of glycol solution. Under certain conditions EO will evolve from water solutions. See Section VIII, Ventilation.

BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT: Ethylene Oxide is amenable to disposal in standard bacteriological waste treatment facilities under controlled conditions after proper acclimation of system

Contaminated rubber gloves and rubber clothing should be allowed to air out for several days before cleaning and re-use.

MIXTURES: When two or more gases, or liquefied gases are mixed, their hazardous properties may combine to create additional, unexpected hazards. Obtain and evaluate the safety information for each component before you produce the mixture. Consult an Industrial Hygienist, or other trained person when you make your safety evaluation of the end product. Remember, gases and liquids have properties which can cause serious injury or death.

WARNING: Be sure to read and understand all labels and other instructions supplied with all containers of this product.

OTHER HANDLING AND STORAGE CONDITIONS

Never work on a pressurized system. If there is a leak, close the cylinder valve, blow down the system by vention to a safe place, then repair the leak.

The Epinions' Expressed herein are those of qualified experts within Union Carbide Corporation. We believe that the information, tion, contained herein is current as of the date of this Material Safety Data Sheet. Since the use of this information and the

\* positions and the conditions of use of the product are not within the control of Union Carbide Corporation, it is user's philipation to determine the conditions of safe use of the product.

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