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#### FOR CHEMICAL EMERGENCY

Involving Shipping and Handling Spills, Leak, Fire, Exposure or Accident

Call CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300

Complies with OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200

Section 1 - Product Identification

Product Name: BLC Beverage System Cleaner, all sizes Product ID: 3100X

Section 2 - Composition/Information on Ingredients

CHEMICAL NAME
Potassium Hydroxide
1310-58-3
Nonylphenol polyethylene glycol ether
Silicic acid
CAS REG. #
1310-58-3
127087-87-0
6834-92-0

Other ingredients are judged to be non-hazardous, their CAS numbers and their exact percent of composition are proprietary to National Chemicals, Inc.

## Section 3 - Hazards Identification

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW: DANGER! CORROSIVE. Can cause burns to the respiratory tract, skin, eyes and gastrointestinal tract. Can cause permanent eye damage. May be harmful or fatal if swallowed. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not breathe vapor or mist. Keep container tightly closed. Wash thoroughly after handling.

EYE CONTACT: Can cause severe irritation, corrosion, and damage to eyes

SKIN CONTACT: May cause severe irritation and corrosion of tissue

INHALATION: Prolonged exposure can cause severe irritation, possible burns with pulmonary edema.

INGESTION: May cause irritation, corrosion/ulceration, nausea, and vomiting.

MEDICAL CONDITIONS AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE: respiratory system (including asthma and other breathing disorders)

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY.

EYES: Immediately flush eyes with water; remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue flushing eyes for at least 15 minutes lifting the upper and lower eyelids intermittently. Washing eyes within several seconds is essential to achieve maximum effectiveness.

SKIN: Immediately flush contaminated areas with water. Remove contaminated clothing, jewelry, and shoes immediately. Wash contaminated areas with soap and water. Thoroughly clean and dry contaminated clothing and shoes before reuse.

INHALATION: Remove to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

INGESTION: Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious or convulsive person. If swallowed, do not induce vomiting. Give large amounts of water. If vomiting occurs spontaneously, keep airway clear. Give more water when vomiting stops.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN: The absence of visible signs or symptoms of burns does NOT reliably exclude the presence of actual tissue damage. Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage.

### Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

FLASH POINT: Not flammable

FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS: Non-combustible, substance itself does not burn but may decompose upon heating to produce corrosive and/or toxic fumes. May react with chemically reactive metals such as aluminum, zinc, magnesium, copper, etc. to release hydrogen gas which can form explosive mixtures in air.

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: Use extinguishing agents appropriate for surrounding fire.

FIRE FIGHTING: Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk. Cool containers with water. Wear NIOSH approved positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus. Avoid contact with skin.

#### Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel away. Contain spilled material with dikes, sandbags, etc. Flush spill area with plenty of water to dilute before introducing it to the sewers. This material is alkaline and may raise the pH of surface waters with low buffering capacity. Large releases should be reported, if required, to appropriate agencies.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

HANDLING: Avoid breathing vapor or mist. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. When mixing, slowly add chemical to water. Never add water to chemical.

STORAGE: Keep container tightly closed and properly labeled. Do not store in aluminum container or use aluminum fittings or transfer lines. Keep separated from incompatible substances (see Section 10 of the MSDS).

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## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

VENTILATION: Provide local exhaust ventilation where vapor or mist may be generated.

EYE PROTECTION: Wear safety glasses with side shields.

SKIN: Use impervious gloves (rubber or neoprene). Wear chemical resistant clothing and rubber boots when potential for contact with the

material exists. Always place pants legs over boots. Thoroughly clean and dry contaminated clothing before reuse.

EXPOSURE LIMITS: Potassium Hydroxide 2 mg/m3 ACGIH ceiling)

# Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

APPEARANCE: clear liquid ODOR: odorless
pH: alkaline in solution WATER SOLUBILITY: soluble
BOILING POINT: 200° F (102-143° C) FREEZING POINT: 32° F (0° C)
VAPOR PRESSURE: No data available VAPOR DENSITY: No data available

# Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

STABILITY: Stable

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Mixing with water, acid or incompatible materials may cause splattering and release of large amounts of heat.

INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS: acids, flammable liquids, halogenated compounds, prolonged contact with aluminum, brass, bronze, copper,

lead, tin, zinc or other alkali sensitive metals or alloys HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION: None known

POLYMERIZATION: Will not occur

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

When in solution, this material will affect all tissues with which it comes in contact. The severity of the tissue damage is a function of concentration, the length of tissue contact time, and local tissue conditions. After exposure there may be a time delay before irritation and other effects occur. This material is a strong irritant and is corrosive to the skin, eyes, and mucous membranes. This material may cause severe burns and permanent damage to any tissue with which it comes into contact.

### Section 12 - Ecological Information

ECOTOXICITY: This material has exhibited moderate toxicity to aquatic organisms.

### Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Reuse or reprocess if possible. Flush spill with plenty of water before disposal. Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

## **Section 14 - Transport Information**

Not classified as hazardous according to Department of Transportation.

### Section 15 - Regulations

SARA TITLE III, SECTIONS 311/312: ACUTE: Yes CHRONIC: No FIRE: No REACTIVE: No SUDDEN RELEASE: No SARA TITLE 313: Not regulated

# **Section 16 - Other Information**

SUPERSEDES DATE: April 8, 2009

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