1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT & COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

24-Hour Emergency Phone Number: 517-636-4400
Product: PE/HD 10062N
Product Code: 63765
Effective Date: 11/07/95          Date Printed: 01/17/96          MSD: 000443
The Dow Chemical Company, Midland, MI 48674
Customer Information Center: 800-258-2436

2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Polyethylene homopolymer          CAS# 009002-88-4     100%

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW
Toxic fumes are released in fire situations.

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS (See Section 11 for toxicological data.)

EYE: Solid or dust may cause irritation or corneal injury due to mechanical action.

SKIN: Essentially nonirritating to skin. Mechanical injury only. A single prolonged skin exposure is not likely to result in the material being absorbed through skin in harmful amounts.

INGESTION: Single dose oral toxicity is believed to be very low. No hazards anticipated from ingestion incidental to industrial exposure.

INHALATION: Vapors are unlikely due to physical properties. Single exposure to dust is not likely to be hazardous.

SYSTEMIC (OTHER TARGET ORGAN) EFFECTS: No relevant information found.

4. FIRST AID

EYE: Flush eyes with plenty of water; mechanical irritation only.

SKIN: Wash off in flowing water or shower
4. FIRST AID (cont.)

INGESTION: No adverse effects anticipated by this route of exposure incidental to proper industrial handling.

INHALATION: Remove to fresh air if affects occur. Consult a physician.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES
   FLASH POINT: Not applicable
   METHOD USED: Not applicable

FLAMMABILITY LIMITS
   LFL: Not applicable
   UFL: Not applicable

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS: Under fire conditions polymers decompose. The smoke may contain polymer fragments of varying compositions in addition to unidentified toxic and/or irritating compounds. Hazardous combustion products may include and are not limited to carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide.

OTHER FLAMMABILITY INFORMATION: Dense smoke is emitted when burned without sufficient oxygen. Mechanical handling can cause formation of dusts. To reduce the potential for dust explosion, do not permit dust to accumulate.

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: Water, carbon dioxide, dry chemical.

FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTIONS: Keep people away. Isolate fire area and deny unnecessary entry. Cool surroundings with water to localize fire zone. Hand held carbon dioxide or dry chemical extinguishers may be used for small fires. Water to cool and prevent reignition. Soak thoroughly with water to cool and prevent reignition.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIRE FIGHTERS: Wear positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and protective fire fighting clothing (includes fire fighting helmet, coat, pants, boots, and gloves). If protective equipment is not available or not used, fight fire from a protected location or safe distance.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES (See Section 15 for Regulatory Information)

CLEANUP: Sweep up.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

HANDLING: Good housekeeping and controlling of dusts are necessary for safe handling of product. Electrically ground all equipment.

STORAGE: The polymer pellets and finished article should be stored in a manner that they are not exposed to ultra-violet light.
8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

ENGINEERING CONTROLS: Good general ventilation should be sufficient for most conditions. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary for some operations.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

• EYE/FACE PROTECTION: Use safety glasses. If there is a potential for exposure to particles which could cause mechanical injury to the eye, wear chemical goggles.

• SKIN PROTECTION: No precautions other than clean body-covering clothing should be needed.

• RESPIRATORY PROTECTION: For most conditions, no respiratory protection should be needed; however, if handling at elevated temperatures without sufficient ventilation, use an approved air-purifying respirator. In dusty atmospheres, use an approved dust respirator.

EXPOSURE GUIDELINE(S): None established.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE/PHYSICAL STATE: Translucent white, solid pellets or granules.

ODOR: No odor.

VAPOR PRESSURE: Not applicable

VAPOR DENSITY: Not applicable

BOILING POINT: Not applicable

SOLUBILITY IN WATER/MISCIBILITY: Nil

SPECIFIC GRAVITY OR DENSITY: 0.91 - 0.97

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

CHEMICAL STABILITY: Stable

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Temperatures over 572°F, 300°C will release combustible gases.

INCOMPATIBILITY WITH OTHER MATERIALS: None

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Decomposition products depend on temperature, other materials present and air supply. During thermal processing this material can degrade to produce trace hydrocarbons, aldehydes, organic acids, and alcohols in limited quantities. Complete combustion results in carbon dioxide and water.

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION: Will not occur.
11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

See Section 3 for Potential Health Effects. For detailed toxicological data, write or call the address or non-emergency number shown in Section 1.

INGESTION: Single dose oral LD50 has not been determined.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

For detailed Ecological data, write or call the address or non-emergency number shown in Section 1.

ENVIRONMENTAL FATE

MOVEMENT & PARTITIONING: No bioconcentration is expected because of high molecular weight (MW> 1000). In the terrestrial environment, material is expected to remain in the soil. In the aquatic environment, material is expected to float.

DEGRADATION & PERSISTENCE: This water insoluble polymeric solid is expected to be inert in the environment. Surface photodegradation is expected with exposure to sunlight. No appreciable biodegradation is expected.

ECOTOXICITY: Not expected to be acutely toxic.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

See Section 15 for Regulatory Information

DISPOSAL: DO NOT DUMP INTO ANY SEWERS, ON THE GROUND, OR INTO ANY BODY OF WATER. All disposal methods must be in compliance with all Federal, State/Provincial and local laws and regulations. Regulations may vary in different locations. Waste characterizations and compliance with applicable laws are the responsibility solely of the waste generator. THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY HAS NO CONTROL OVER THE MANAGEMENT PRACTICES OR MANUFACTURING PROCESSES OF PARTIES HANDLING OR USING THIS MATERIAL. THE INFORMATION PRESENTED HERE PERTAINS ONLY TO THE PRODUCT AS SHIPPED IN ITS INTENDED CONDITION AS DESCRIBED IN MSDS SECTION 2 (Composition/Information On Ingredients).

FOR UNUSED & UNCONTAMINATED PRODUCT, the preferred options include sending to a licensed, permitted: recycler, reclamer, incinerator or other thermal destruction device, and landfill.

For additional information, refer to Stability & Reactivity Information, MSDS Section 10.

As a service to its customers, Dow can provide lists of companies which recycle, reprocess or manage chemicals or plastics, and companies that manage used drums. Telephone Dow's Customer Information Center at 800-258-2436 or 517-832-1556 for further details.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (D.O.T.): This product is not regulated by D.O.T. when shipped domestically by land.

CANADIAN TDG INFORMATION: This product is not regulated by TDG when shipped domestically by land.
15. REGULATORY INFORMATION
(Not meant to be all-inclusive—selected regulations represented)

NOTICE: The information herein is presented in good faith and believed to be accurate as of the effective date shown above. However, no warranty, express or implied is given. Regulatory requirements are subject to change and may differ from one location to another; it is the buyer’s responsibility to ensure that its activities comply with federal, state or provincial, and local laws. The following specific information is made for the purpose of complying with numerous federal, state or provincial, and local laws and regulations. See other sections for health and safety information.

U.S. REGULATIONS

SARA 313 INFORMATION: To the best of our knowledge, this product contains no chemical subject to SARA Title III Section 313 supplier notification requirements.

SARA HAZARD CATEGORY: This product has been reviewed according to the EPA “Hazard Categories” promulgated under Sections 311 and 312 of the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA Title III) and is considered, under applicable definitions, to meet the following categories:
Not to have met any hazard category

TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT (TSCA): All ingredients are on the TSCA inventory or are not required to be listed on the TSCA inventory.

STATE RIGHT-TO-KNOW: This product is not known to contain any substances subject to the disclosure requirements of New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

OSHA HAZARD COMMUNICATION STANDARD: This product is not a “Hazardous Chemical as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

CANADIAN REGULATIONS

WHMIS INFORMATION: The Canadian Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) Classification for this product is:
This product is not a "Controlled Product" under WHMIS.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION (NFPA) RATINGS:

Health: 0

Flammability: 1

Reactivity: 0

MSDS STATUS: Revised to Section 16 format