Material	
Safety	
Data	ferti-lome® Gardeners Special
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SECTION 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Name: Voluntary Purchasing Groups, Inc.	Box 460, Bonham, TX 75418		
Emergency Telephone: (903) 583-5501 or (800) 424-9300 (Chemtrec)			
For Additional Information Contact: Product Manager or Chemtrec	Date Prepared: 03-14-03		
Common Name (Used on Label): ferti-lome® Gardeners Special	Chemical Family: Does not apply		
Chemical Name: Does not apply	Formula: Mixture of monoammonium phosphate, muriate of potash, urea, limestone, vermiculite, diatomaceous earth and water.		
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SECTION 2 - COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

HAZARDOUS COMPONENT	CAS NUMBER	% (TYPICAL)	TLV (UNITS)	PEL (UNITS)
Urea	57-13-6	Proprietary	Not established	Not established
Atapulgite (diatomateous earth)	12174-11-7	Proprietary	*	*
Vermiculite	1318-00-9	Proprietary	Not established	Not established
Dolomatic limestone	16389-88-1	Proprietary	10 mg/m3	15 mg/m3
Monoammonium phosphate	7722-76-1	Proprietary	Not established	Not established

* PEL and TLV = 0.05 mg/m3 for Cristobalite and Tridymite 0.1 mg/m3 for Quartz and Tripoli

PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit established by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. TLV: Threshold Limit Value recommended by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists.

SECTION 3 - PHYSICAL DATA

BOILING POINT (°F)	SPECIFIC GRAVITY (H ₂ O=1)			VAPOR PRESSURE (mm Hg)	
Does not apply	0.5				Does not apply
PERCENT VOLATILE BY VOLUME (%) VAPOR DE		NSITY (AIR=1)	EVAPO	DRATION RATE (ethyl ether=1)	
<1 Does not ap		ply	Does r	not apply	
SOLUBILITY IN WATER			REACTIVITY II	N WATE	R
Appreciable		Will not evolve flammable or toxic gases			
APPEARANCE AND ODOR					
Multicolored granules; slight chlorine	odor				

SECTION 4 - FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

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LASH POINT (°F) FLAMMABLE LIMITS IN		AIR (% by volume)	
Does not apply	Lower: Not determined Upper: Not determined		
EXTINGUISHING MEDIA		AUTO IGNITION TEMPERA	ATURE
Water, foam, carbon dioxide, dry chemical		Not determined	
UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS			
Decomposes upon heating to liberate ammonia.	Avoid dispersion of dus	st in air to reduce potential	explosion
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hazard.

SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES

Minimize breathing gases, vapors, or decomposition products. Use supplied air-breathing equipment. Use water to cool fire exposed containers.

SECTION 5 - HEALTH INFORMATION

PRIMARY ROUTES OF EXPOSURE	AND TARGET ORGANS				
Eye, skin, upper respiratory tract					
SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE					
(1) ACUTE OVEREXPOSURE					
EYE CONTACT: Irritation SKIN CON	TACT: Irritation INHALATION: Inhalati	on of high concentrations may result in			
upper respiratory tract irritation.					
(2) CHRONIC OVEREXPOSURE					
		e development of pneumonoconiosis,			
silicosis, or other respiratory disorders	ð.				
MEDICAL CONDITIONS GENERALL	Y AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE				
Disorders of the respiratory system, d					
CHEMICAL/COMPONENT LISTED AS CARCINOGEN OR POTENTIAL CARCINOGEN					
None					
NTP	IARC	OSHA			
🗌 YES 🖾 NO		🗌 YES 🖾 NO			
OTHER EXPOSURE LIMITS					
ACGIH TLV (nuisances dusts)= 10 mg/m3; OSHA PEL (nuisance dusts)= 15 mg/m3					
EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID PROCEDURES					
EYE CONTACT: Flush with water for 15 minutes. Seek medical attention if irritation persists. SKIN CONTACT:					
Remove to fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration, preferably mouth to mouth. If breathing is difficult,					
give oxygen. Call a physician. INGESTION: Drink 1 to 2 glasses of water and induce vomiting by sticking finger					
down throat. Call a physician immedia	ately. Do not follow this procedure with	an unconscious person.			

SECTION 6 - REACTIVITY DATA

STABILITY	CONDITIONS TO AVOID			
🗌 Unstable 🖂 Stable	Not determined			
INCOMPATIBILITY (Materia	Is to Avoid)			
Strong alkalis and oxidizing	agents.			
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS				
Ammonia, phosphorous oxides, cyanuric acid, cyanic acid and carbon dioxide.				
HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZ	ATION CONDITIONS TO AVOID			
🗌 May Occur 🛛 Will No	ot occur Avoid heating or direct exposure to sunlight.			

SECTION 7 - SPILL OR LEAK PROCEDURES

Cleanup of spill may require use of personal protective equipment. See Section 8. Recover product. Shovel	~ ~
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sweep into a suitable, labeled container and seal.	
WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD	
Dispose of in accordance with Federal. State, and local regulations.	

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SECTION 8 - PERSONAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION

NIOSH/MSHA approved for protection against toxic dusts containing quartz.

VENTILATION

Local or general exhaust to maintain exposure below the PEL/TLV.

PROTECTIVE GLOVES

PVC or Neoprene

EYE PROTECTION

Chemical splash goggles (ANSI Z87.1 1979)

OTHER PROTECTIVE CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT

Apron, boots, long sleeve shirt and full-length pants (or overalls) may be worn when necessary to prevent skin contact. Eye wash and shower facilities should be available.

SECTION 9 - SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN HANDLING & STORING Keep containers closed when not in use. Store away from strong alkalis and oxidizers. Corrosive to aluminum and cast iron. Store in cool, dry, ventilated area, out of direct sunlight. OTHER PRECAUTIONS Not determined

SECTION 10 - OTHER INFORMATION

The information contained within was obtained from authoritative sources and is believed to be accurate for the manner in which the product is intended to be used. Other uses could result in ramifications, which are not included within this document.