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1. Identification of the Substance/Preparation and the Company/Undertaking

Substance or preparation trade name: Recycled PE (Polyethylene) Synonyms: Recycled High Density Polyethylene (HDPE), Recycled

Low Density Polyethylene (LDPE), Recycled Ethylene

Polymers and Recycled Copolymers

Unique reference numbers(s): **FP002**, **FP033**, **FP038**, **FP250**, **FP040** Company/undertaking name & address: Avanti Environmental Group Ltd

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2. Composition

% Substance CAS Number Classification EINECS >97 PE (Polyethylene) 9002-88-4 N/A N/A <=3 Proprietary additives N/A N/A N/A

3. Hazards Identification

Hazards Overview:

Spilled pellets create slipping hazard. Pellets can burn in a fire creating dense toxic smoke. Molten plastic can cause severe thermal burns. Fumes produced during melt processing may cause eye, skin and respiratory tract irritation.

Secondary operations such as grinding, sanding or sawing can produce dust which may present a respiratory hazard.

Product in pellet form is unlikely to cause irritation

MELT PROCESSING Hazards

Molten plastic can cause severe burns. Processing fumes may cause irritation to eyes, skin and respiratory tract and in cases of severe overexposure nausea and head ache.

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There are no known medical conditions that are aggravated by exposure to this product; however certain sensitive individuals and those with respiratory impairments may be affected by exposure to the processing fumes.



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4. First aid measures

Skin contact: The product is not likely to be hazardous by skin contact, but maintaining good hygiene practices is advised, cleanse after contact. If molten polymer gets on skin cool rapidly with cold water and DO NOT attempt to peel polymer from skin. Obtain medical treatment for thermal burn.

Eye contact: Immediately flood the eye with plenty of water for at least 10 minutes holding the eye open. Obtain medical advice if soreness or redness persists.

Ingestion: No specific intervention is required as the compound is not likely to be hazardous by ingestion. Seek medical advice if necessary.

For processing fume inhalation irritation, leave the contaminated area and breathe fresh air. If coughing or other symptoms develop seek medical attention at once.

For skin contact with fume condensate, wash affected area with soap and water. If irritation develops seek medical attention.

5. Fire fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media: Water, AFFF (foam), Dry powder, CO2

Unsuitable extinguishing media: None

Special hazards in fire: Gases and vapours are produced: ammonia, carbon monoxide,

hydrogen cyanide and aldehydes Required special protective equipment

for fire-fighters: Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions: Wear appropriate protective clothing

Environmental precautions: Contain the spill and protect drains and other watercourses

Methods for cleaning: Pick up spillages with scoop and brush

7. Handling and storage

Handling: No special handling required

Storage: Store in original containers, keep dry

CAUTION: Polyethylene pellets on floors are slippery and may create a slipping hazard



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8. Exposure Controls

Engineering measures: Use local exhaust ventilation to control fumes from hot processing

Control Parameters: Not applicable

Personal protection equipment: If there is potential for contact with molten material, wear heat

resistant gloves, clothing and footwear

Eye protection: Wear safety goggles or splash goggles and face shield if the potential

exists for contact with molten material

Hand protection: If there is potential for contact with molten material, wear heat

resistant gloves

Hygiene measures: Wash hands after use

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance: Solid (flake, crumb or pellet)

Odour: Odourless pH: Not applicable

Boiling point: Not determined Melting point: 105₀ C - 130₀ C

Flashpoint: 3410 C

Explosive properties: Not applicable Vapour pressure: Not applicable Relative density: 0.91 – 0.96 Solubility: Insoluble in water

Insoluble in fats

10. Stability and reactivity

Conditions to avoid: Exposure to flame or temperatures >2990 C for prolonged

periods of time

Materials to avoid: Not applicable

Hazardous decomposition products: Hazardous gasses or vapours can be released including cyclopentanone, carbon monoxide, aldehydes and ammonia.

11. Toxicological information

Acute toxicity: No toxicological data is available

Local effects

Excessive exposure may affect human health as follows:

Skin contact: Irritation Eye contact: Irritation

Inhalation/ingestion: Irritation



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12. Ecological information

No data is available on the adverse effects of this product on the environment; Aquatic toxicity is low based upon insolubility with water

13 Disposal Considerations

Routes for disposal are (1) recycling, Incineration with energy recovery (2) and landfill (3). Recycling is the most appropriate route while the materials high calorific value makes option 2 desirable for material that cannot be recycled. Treatment, storage and disposal must always be carried out in accordance with local legislation.

14. Transport information

Classification data: Not classified for transport

15. Regulatory information

Not regulated

16. Other Information

Recommendations/restrictions:

MEDICAL USE: Do not use in medical applications involving implantation into the human body **Note to reader:** To the best of our knowledge the information contained herein is accurate. No liability can be accepted arising out of the use, application or processing of this product. It is the users' responsibility to determine safe conditions for the use of this product within the user's local legislative requirements.

Further advice can be sought from local health and safety authorities