

# **POTENTIAL HAZARDS**

#### FIRE OR EXPLOSION

- · Some may burn but none ignite readily.
- · Containers may explode when heated.
- · Some may be transported hot.

#### HEALTH

- Inhalation of material may be harmful.
- · Contact may cause burns to skin and eyes.
- Inhalation of Asbestos dust may have a damaging effect on the lungs.
- Fire may produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases.
- Some liquids produce vapors that may cause dizziness or suffocation.
- Runoff from fire control may cause pollution.

# **PUBLIC SAFETY**

- CALL Emergency Response Telephone Number on Shipping Paper first. If Shipping Paper not available or no answer, refer to appropriate telephone number listed on the inside back cover.
- As an immediate precautionary measure, isolate spill or leak area in all directions for at least 50 meters (150 feet) for liquids and at least 25 meters (75 feet) for solids.
- · Keep unauthorized personnel away.
- · Stay upwind.

#### PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

- Wear positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).
- $\bullet \ \ Structural\ firefighters'\ protective\ clothing\ will\ only\ provide\ limited\ protection.$

#### **EVACUATION**

## Spill

 See the Table of Initial Isolation and Protective Action Distances for highlighted substances. For non-highlighted substances, increase, in the downwind direction, as necessary, the isolation distance shown under "PUBLIC SAFETY".

#### Fire

• If tank, rail car or tank truck is involved in a fire, ISOLATE for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions; also, consider initial evacuation for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions.

# **EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

#### **FIRE**

#### **Small Fires**

• Dry chemical, CO<sub>2</sub>, water spray or regular foam.

## Large Fires

- · Water spray, fog or regular foam.
- Move containers from fire area if you can do it without risk.
- Do not scatter spilled material with high pressure water streams.
- · Dike fire-control water for later disposal.

### Fire involving Tanks

- Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out.
- Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety devices or discoloration of tank.
- · ALWAYS stay away from tanks engulfed in fire.

### SPILL OR LEAK

- Do not touch or walk through spilled material.
- · Stop leak if you can do it without risk.
- · Prevent dust cloud.
- · Avoid inhalation of asbestos dust.

## Small Dry Spills

 With clean shovel place material into clean, dry container and cover loosely; move containers from spill area.

## **Small Spills**

 Take up with sand or other non-combustible absorbent material and place into containers for later disposal.

# Large Spills

- Dike far ahead of liquid spill for later disposal.
- Cover powder spill with plastic sheet or tarp to minimize spreading.
- $\bullet \ \ \text{Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or confined areas}.$

### FIRST AID

- Move victim to fresh air. Call 911 or emergency medical service.
- Give artificial respiration if victim is not breathing.
- · Administer oxygen if breathing is difficult.
- Remove and isolate contaminated clothing and shoes.
- In case of contact with substance, immediately flush skin or eyes with running water for at least 20 minutes.
- Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves.