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## CAUTIONARY RESPONSE INFORMATION

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| <b>Common Synonyms</b><br>Brimstone   | Liquid (molten solid) Yellow, orange, tan, brown, or gray Faint rotten eggs odor   |
| Thickens and sinks in water.  |  |
| Keep people away. Avoid contact with liquid and solid. Shut off ignition sources and call fire department. Notify local health and pollution control agencies. Protect water intakes. |  |
| <b>Fire</b>   | Combustible. POISONOUS GAS IS PRODUCED IN FIRE. Wear goggles and self-contained breathing apparatus. Extinguish with water or sand.  |
| <b>Exposure</b>   | CALL FOR MEDICAL AID.<br><br>LIQUID Will burn skin and eyes. Harmful if swallowed. Flush affected areas with plenty of water. IF IN EYES, hold eyelids open and flush with plenty of water. IF SWALLOWED and victim is CONSCIOUS, have victim drink water or milk. |
| <b>Water Pollution</b>  | Dangerous to aquatic life in high concentrations. May be dangerous if it enters water intakes. Notify local health and wildlife officials. Notify operators of nearby water intakes.   |

### 1. CORRECTIVE RESPONSE ACTIONS

Stop discharge  
Contain  
Collection Systems: Dredge  
Do not burn

### 2. CHEMICAL DESIGNATIONS

2.1 **CG Compatibility Group:** 0; Unassigned cargoes  
2.2 **Formula:** S  
2.3 **IMO/UN Designation:** Not listed  
2.4 **DOT ID No.:** 1350  
2.5 **CAS Registry No.:** 7704-34-9  
2.6 **NAERG Guide No.:** 133  
2.7 **Standard Industrial Trade Classification:** 52226

### 3. HEALTH HAZARDS

- 3.1 **Personal Protective Equipment:** Safety goggles with side shields; approved respirator; heat-resistant gloves; leather heat-resistant clothing. If recovered sulfur, refer to hydrogen sulfide.\*
- 3.2 **Symptoms Following Exposure:** Can cause eye irritation; may rarely irritate skin. If recovered sulfur, refer to hydrogen sulfide.\*
- 3.3 **Treatment of Exposure:** EYES: wash eyes carefully for at least 15 min. SKIN: Treat molten sulfur burns with petroleum jelly or mineral oil. If recovered sulfur, treat as for hydrogen sulfide.\*
- 3.4 **TLV-TWA:** Not listed.  
3.5 **TLV-STEL:** Not listed.  
3.6 **TLV-Ceiling:** Not listed.  
3.7 **Toxicity by Ingestion:** Grade 2; LD<sub>50</sub> = 0.5 to 5 g/kg  
3.8 **Toxicity by Inhalation:** Currently not available.  
3.9 **Chronic Toxicity:** None  
3.10 **Vapor (Gas) Irritant Characteristics:** Non-volatile  
3.11 **Liquid or Solid Characteristics:** Minimum hazard. If spilled on clothing and allowed to remain, may cause smarting and reddening of the skin.  
3.12 **Odor Threshold:** If recovered sulfur, see hydrogen sulfide.\*  
3.13 **IDLH Value:** Not listed. \*Significant amounts of hydrogen sulfide, a very poisonous gas, may collect in poorly ventilated containers of liquid sulfur that has been recovered from hydrogen sulfide.  
3.14 **OSHA PEL-TWA:** Not listed.  
3.15 **OSHA PEL-STEL:** Not listed.  
3.16 **OSHA PEL-Ceiling:** Not listed.  
3.17 **EPA AEGL:** Not listed

### 4. FIRE HAZARDS

- 4.1 **Flash Point:** 405°F C.C. for recovered sulfur, see hydrogen sulfide.
- 4.2 **Flammable Limits in Air:** Not pertinent
- 4.3 **Fire Extinguishing Agents:** Water
- 4.4 **Fire Extinguishing Agents Not to Be Used:** Not pertinent
- 4.5 **Special Hazards of Combustion Products:** Produces toxic sulfur dioxide gas.
- 4.6 **Behavior in Fire:** Burns with a pale blue flame that may be difficult to see in daylight.
- 4.7 **Auto Ignition Temperature:** 450°F; for recovered sulfur, see hydrogen sulfide.
- 4.8 **Electrical Hazards:** Not pertinent
- 4.9 **Burning Rate:** Not pertinent
- 4.10 **Adiabatic Flame Temperature:** Currently not available
- 4.11 **Stoichiometric Air to Fuel Ratio:** 4.8 (calc.)
- 4.12 **Flame Temperature:** Currently not available
- 4.13 **Combustion Molar Ratio (Reactant to Product):** 1.0 (calc.)
- 4.14 **Minimum Oxygen Concentration for Combustion (MOCC):** Not listed

### 5. CHEMICAL REACTIVITY

- 5.1 **Reactivity with Water:** No reaction
- 5.2 **Reactivity with Common Materials:** No hazardous reaction
- 5.3 **Stability During Transport:** Stable
- 5.4 **Neutralizing Agents for Acids and Caustics:** Not pertinent
- 5.5 **Polymerization:** Not pertinent
- 5.6 **Inhibitor of Polymerization:** Not pertinent

### 6. WATER POLLUTION

- 6.1 **Aquatic Toxicity:** 10,000 ppm/96 hr/mosquito fish/TL<sub>m</sub>/fresh water
- 6.2 **Waterfowl Toxicity:** Currently not available
- 6.3 **Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD):** Currently not available
- 6.4 **Food Chain Concentration Potential:** None
- 6.5 **GESAMP Hazard Profile:**  
Bioaccumulation: 0  
Damage to living resources: 0/0  
Human Oral hazard: 0  
Human Contact hazard: 0  
Reduction of amenities: 0

### 7. SHIPPING INFORMATION

- 7.1 **Grades of Purity:** Frasch liquid sulfur: 99.8+%; solid sulfur is sold in many varieties and grades; these are not presently covered in this manual.
- 7.2 **Storage Temperature:** 270°F
- 7.3 **Inert Atmosphere:** Ventilated (natural)
- 7.4 **Venting:** Open
- 7.5 **IMO Pollution Category:** III
- 7.6 **Ship Type:** 3
- 7.7 **Barge Hull Type:** 3

### 8. HAZARD CLASSIFICATIONS

- 8.1 **49 CFR Category:** Class 9
- 8.2 **49 CFR Class:** 9
- 8.3 **49 CFR Package Group:** III
- 8.4 **Marine Pollutant:** No
- 8.5 **NFPA Hazard Classification:**
- | Category                  | Classification |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Health Hazard (Blue)..... | 1 2            |
| Flammability (Red).....   | 1 1            |
| Instability (Yellow)..... | 0 0            |
- 8.6 **EPA Reportable Quantity:** Not listed.
- 8.7 **EPA Pollution Category:** Not listed.
- 8.8 **RCRA Waste Number:** Not listed
- 8.9 **EPA FWPCA List:** Not listed

### 9. PHYSICAL & CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

- 9.1 **Physical State at 15° C and 1 atm:** Solid
- 9.2 **Molecular Weight:** 256.51
- 9.3 **Boiling Point at 1 atm:** 832.3°F = 444.6°C = 717.8°K
- 9.4 **Freezing Point:** 251°F = 121.7°C = 394.9°K
- 9.5 **Critical Temperature:** Not pertinent
- 9.6 **Critical Pressure:** Not pertinent
- 9.7 **Specific Gravity:** 1.80 at 120°C (liquid)
- 9.8 **Liquid Surface Tension:** 60.8 dynes/cm = 0.0608 N/m at 120°C
- 9.9 **Liquid Water Interfacial Tension:** (est.) 50 dynes/cm = 0.05 N/m at 127°C
- 9.10 **Vapor (Gas) Specific Gravity:** Not pertinent
- 9.11 **Ratio of Specific Heats of Vapor (Gas):** 1.582 (est.)
- 9.12 **Latent Heat of Vaporization:** 120 Btu/lb = 69 cal/g = 2.9 X 10<sup>5</sup> J/kg
- 9.13 **Heat of Combustion:** -4,741 Btu/lb = -2,634 cal/g = -110.3 X 10<sup>6</sup> J/kg
- 9.14 **Heat of Decomposition:** Not pertinent
- 9.15 **Heat of Solution:** Not pertinent
- 9.16 **Heat of Polymerization:** Not pertinent
- 9.17 **Heat of Fusion:** 9.2 cal/g
- 9.18 **Limiting Value:** Currently not available
- 9.19 **Reid Vapor Pressure:** Very low

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| 9.20<br>SATURATED LIQUID DENSITY |                       | 9.21<br>LIQUID HEAT CAPACITY |                                     | 9.22<br>LIQUID THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY |   | 9.23<br>LIQUID VISCOSITY   |            |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|------------|
| Temperature<br>(degrees F)       | Pounds per cubic foot | Temperature<br>(degrees F)   | British thermal unit per<br>pound-F | Temperature<br>(degrees F)          | British thermal unit inch<br>per hour-square foot-F | Temperature<br>(degrees F) | Centipoise |
| 255                              | 112.400               | 260                          | 0.230                               |                                     | N   | 251                        | 11.130     |
| 260                              | 112.299               | 280                          | 0.232                               |                                     | O   | 252                        | 11.010     |
| 265                              | 112.099               | 300                          | 0.234                               |                                     | T   | 253                        | 10.890     |
| 270                              | 112.000               | 320                          | 0.236                               |                                     |   | 254                        | 10.770     |
| 275                              | 111.900               | 340                          | 0.237                               |                                     | P   | 255                        | 10.660     |
| 280                              | 111.700               | 360                          | 0.239                               |                                     | E   | 256                        | 10.550     |
| 285                              | 111.599               | 380                          | 0.241                               |                                     | R   | 257                        | 10.440     |
| 290                              | 111.400               | 400                          | 0.243                               |                                     | T   | 258                        | 10.330     |
| 295                              | 111.299               | 420                          | 0.244                               |                                     | I   | 259                        | 10.220     |
| 300                              | 111.200               | 440                          | 0.246                               |                                     | N   | 260                        | 10.110     |
| 305                              | 111.000               | 460                          | 0.248                               |                                     | E   | 261                        | 10.000     |
| 310                              | 110.900               | 480                          | 0.250                               |                                     | N   | 262                        | 9.901      |
| 315                              | 110.799               | 500                          | 0.252                               |                                     | T   | 263                        | 9.798      |
| 320                              | 110.599               | 520                          | 0.253                               |                                     |   | 264                        | 9.697      |
|                                  |                       | 540                          | 0.255                               |                                     |   | 265                        | 9.597      |
|                                  |                       | 560                          | 0.257                               |                                     |   | 266                        | 9.498      |
|                                  |                       | 580                          | 0.259                               |                                     |   | 267                        | 9.401      |
|                                  |                       | 600                          | 0.260                               |                                     |   | 268                        | 9.305      |
|                                  |                       | 620                          | 0.262                               |                                     |   | 269                        | 9.210      |
|                                  |                       | 640                          | 0.264                               |                                     |   | 270                        | 9.116      |
|                                  |                       | 660                          | 0.266                               |                                     |   | 271                        | 9.024      |
|                                  |                       | 680                          | 0.268                               |                                     |   | 272                        | 8.932      |
|                                  |                       | 700                          | 0.269                               |                                     |   | 273                        | 8.842      |
|                                  |                       | 720                          | 0.271                               |                                     |   | 274                        | 8.753      |
|                                  |                       |                              |                                     |                                     |   | 275                        | 8.665      |
|                                  |                       |                              |                                     |                                     |   | 276                        | 8.579      |

| 9.24<br>SOLUBILITY IN WATER |                                   | 9.25<br>SATURATED VAPOR PRESSURE |                        | 9.26<br>SATURATED VAPOR DENSITY |                       | 9.27<br>IDEAL GAS HEAT CAPACITY |                                     |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Temperature<br>(degrees F)  | Pounds per 100 pounds<br>of water | Temperature<br>(degrees F)       | Pounds per square inch | Temperature<br>(degrees F)      | Pounds per cubic foot | Temperature<br>(degrees F)      | British thermal unit per<br>pound-F |
|                             | I                                 | 260                              | 0.001                  | 260                             | 0.00005               | 90                              | 0.021                               |
|                             | N                                 | 280                              | 0.003                  | 280                             | 0.00008               | 100                             | 0.021                               |
|                             | S                                 | 300                              | 0.004                  | 300                             | 0.00014               | 110                             | 0.021                               |
|                             | O                                 | 320                              | 0.007                  | 320                             | 0.00023               | 120                             | 0.021                               |
|                             | L                                 | 340                              | 0.012                  | 340                             | 0.00036               | 130                             | 0.021                               |
|                             | U                                 | 360                              | 0.019                  | 360                             | 0.00056               | 140                             | 0.021                               |
|                             | B                                 | 380                              | 0.030                  | 380                             | 0.00085               | 150                             | 0.021                               |
|                             | L                                 | 400                              | 0.046                  | 400                             | 0.00127               | 160                             | 0.021                               |
|                             | E                                 | 420                              | 0.068                  | 420                             | 0.00185               | 170                             | 0.021                               |
|                             |                                   | 440                              | 0.100                  | 440                             | 0.00266               | 180                             | 0.021                               |
|                             |                                   | 460                              | 0.144                  | 460                             | 0.00375               | 190                             | 0.021                               |
|                             |                                   | 480                              | 0.205                  | 480                             | 0.00522               | 200                             | 0.021                               |
|                             |                                   | 500                              | 0.287                  | 500                             | 0.00716               | 210                             | 0.021                               |
|                             |                                   | 520                              | 0.397                  | 520                             | 0.00968               | 220                             | 0.021                               |
|                             |                                   | 540                              | 0.541                  | 540                             | 0.01294               | 230                             | 0.021                               |
|                             |                                   | 560                              | 0.729                  | 560                             | 0.01709               | 240                             | 0.021                               |
|                             |                                   | 580                              | 0.971                  | 580                             | 0.02232               | 250                             | 0.021                               |
|                             |                                   | 600                              | 1.279                  | 600                             | 0.02885               | 260                             | 0.021                               |
|                             |                                   | 620                              | 1.668                  | 620                             | 0.03692               |                                 |                                     |
|                             |                                   | 640                              | 2.154                  | 640                             | 0.04681               |                                 |                                     |
|                             |                                   | 660                              | 2.757                  | 660                             | 0.05884               |                                 |                                     |
|                             |                                   | 680                              | 3.498                  | 680                             | 0.07334               |                                 |                                     |
|                             |                                   | 700                              | 4.401                  | 700                             | 0.09069               |                                 |                                     |
|                             |                                   | 720                              | 5.495                  | 720                             | 0.11130               |                                 |                                     |
|                             |                                   | 740                              | 6.810                  | 740                             | 0.13570               |                                 |                                     |