

### Safety Data Sheet

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### SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1. Product identifier

Product form : Mixture

Product name : Methane (0.000025% - 10.32%) in Argon

Product code : SG-2002-01823

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Use of the substance/mixture : Test gas/Calibration gas.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Air Liquide America Specialty Gases 6141 Easton Rd

Plumsteadville, PA 18949 - USA T 1.800.217.2688

www.airliquide.com

1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number : CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300

### **SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

### Classification (GHS-US)

Compressed gas H280

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

### 2.2. Label elements

### **GHS-US** labeling

Hazard pictograms (GHS-US)



GHS04

Signal word (GHS-US) : Warning

Hazard statements (GHS-US) : H280 - Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated

OSHA-H01 - May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation

Precautionary statements (GHS-US) : P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

P304+P340 - If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

P313 - Get medical advice/attention P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

CGA-PG02 - Protect from sunlight when ambient temperature exceeds 52°C (125°F)

CGA-PG05 - Use a back flow preventive device in the piping CGA-PG06 - Close valve after each use and when empty CGA-PG10 - Use only with equipment rated for cylinder pressure CGA-PG14 - Approach suspected leak area with caution

CGA-PG21 - Open valve slowly

### 2.3. Other hazards

No additional information available

### 2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS-US)

Not applicable

### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1. Substance

Not applicable

### 3.2. Mixture

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Name	Product identifier	%	Classification (GHS-US)
Argon	(CAS No) 7440-37-1	89.68 - 99.9999975	Compressed gas, H280
Methane	(CAS No) 74-82-8	0.0000025 - 10.32	Flam. Gas 1, H220

unwell, seek medical advice.

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

### **SECTION 4: First aid measures**

#### **Description of first aid measures**

First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If you feel

First-aid measures after skin contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product. First-aid measures after eye contact Adverse effects not expected from this product.

Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure. First-aid measures after ingestion

### Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms/injuries : Symptoms similar to those listed under inhalation. Symptoms/injuries after inhalation : May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation. Symptoms/injuries after skin contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product. Symptoms/injuries after eye contact Adverse effects not expected from this product.

Symptoms/injuries after ingestion Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

Symptoms/injuries upon intravenous

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Not known.

: Adverse effects not expected from this product. Chronic symptoms

#### Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

If you feel unwell, seek medical advice. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

### **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

### Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use water jet.

### Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Fire hazard : The product is not flammable.

Explosion hazard Product is not explosive. Heat may build pressure, rupturing closed containers, spreading fire

and increasing risk of burns and injuries.

Reactivity : None known.

#### Advice for firefighters

: In case of fire: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion. Use water spray Firefighting instructions

or fog for cooling exposed containers. Exercise caution when fighting any chemical fire.

Standard protective clothing and equipment (e.g., Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire Protection during firefighting

fighters. Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory

protection.

### **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

General measures : Ensure adequate ventilation.

#### For non-emergency personnel 6.1.1.

Protective equipment : Wear protective equipment consistent with the site emergency plan.

**Emergency procedures** : Escape the danger area by the closest safe route. Close doors and windows of adjacent premises. Mark the danger area. Keep containers closed. Seal off low-lying areas. Keep

upwind.

#### 6.1.2. For emergency responders

Standard protective clothing and equipment (e.g., Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire Protective equipment

fighters. Equip cleanup crew with proper protection.

Evacuate and limit access. Ventilate area. Emergency procedures

#### **Environmental precautions**

Try to stop release if safe to do so.

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#### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

For containment : Try to stop release if safe to do so.

Methods for cleaning up : Dispose of this material and its container in accordance with local regulations.

#### 6.4. Reference to other sections

See also Sections 8 and 13.

### SECTION 7: Handling and storage

#### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Additional hazards when processed

: Pressurized container: Do not pierce or burn, even after use. Use equipment rated for cylinder

pressure.

Precautions for safe handling : Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Use only outdoors or

in a well-ventilated area.

Hygiene measures : Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

#### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Technical measures : Comply with applicable regulations.

Storage conditions : Do not expose to temperatures exceeding 52°C (125°F). Keep container closed when not in

use. Protect cylinder from physical damage. Store in well ventilated area.

Incompatible products : None known.
Incompatible materials : None known.

#### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Test gas/Calibration gas.

### SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1. Control parameters

Methane (0.0000025% - 10.32%) in Argon				
ACGIH	Not applicable	Not applicable		
OSHA	Not applicable	Not applicable		
Methane (74-82-8)				
ACGIH	ACGIH TWA (ppm)		1000 ppm	
OSHA Not applicable				
Argon (7440-37-1)				

Argon (7440-37-1)	
ACGIH	Not applicable
OSHA	Not applicable

### 8.2. Exposure controls

Eye protection

Appropriate engineering controls : Ensure exposure is below occupational exposure limits. Provide adequate general and local

exhaust ventilation. Systems under pressure should be regularly checked for leakages. Oxygen detectors should be used when asphyxiating gases may be released. Consider work permit

system e.g. for maintenance activities.

Hand protection : Wear working gloves when handling gas containers. 29CFR 1910.138: Hand Protection.

: Wear safety glasses with side shields. 29 CFR 1910.133: Eye and Face Protection.

Skin and body protection : Wear suitable protective clothing, e.g. - lab coats, coveralls or flame resistant clothing.

Respiratory protection : None necessary during normal and routine operations. See sections 5 & 6.

Thermal hazard protection : None necessary during normal and routine operations.

Environmental exposure controls : Refer to local regulations for restriction of emissions to the atmosphere. See section 13 for

specific methods for waste gas treatment.

Other information : Wear safety shoes while handling containers. 29 CFR 1910.136: Foot Protection.

### SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state : Gas

Appearance : Clear, colorless gas.

Molecular mass : Not applicable for gas-mixtures.

Color : Colorless

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Odor : Odorless

Odor threshold : No data available

pH : Not applicable for gas-mixtures.

Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1) : No data available

Relative evaporation rate (ether=1) : Not applicable for gas-mixtures.

Melting point : No data available
Freezing point : No data available
Boiling point : No data available
Flash point : No data available
Auto-ignition temperature : No data available
Decomposition temperature : No data available

Flammability (solid, gas) : Not applicable - not flammable

Vapor pressure : Not applicable.

Relative vapor density at 20 °C : No data available

Relative density : No data available

Relative gas density : Heavier than air.

Solubility : Water: Solubility in water of component(s) of the mixture :

•: 26 mg/l •: 61 mg/l

Log Pow : Not applicable for gas-mixtures.
Log Kow : Not applicable for gas-mixtures.

Viscosity, kinematic : Not applicable.
Viscosity, dynamic : Not applicable.

Explosive properties : Not applicable - not flammable.

Oxidizing properties : None

Explosive limits : Not applicable - not flammable

9.2. Other information

Additional information : Gas/vapour heavier than air. May accumulate in confined spaces, particularly at or below

ground level.

### SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

None known.

#### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

None known.

#### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

None under recommended storage and handling conditions (see section 7).

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

None known.

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

### **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity : Not classified

Methane (74-82-8)		
LC50 inhalation rat (ppm)	820000 ppm/4h	
Argon (7440-37-1)		

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Skin corrosion/irritation : Not classified

pH: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.

Serious eye damage/irritation : Not classified

pH: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.

Respiratory or skin sensitization : Not classified Germ cell mutagenicity : Not classified Carcinogenicity : Not classified

Reproductive toxicity : Not classified Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) : Not classified

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated

exposure)

: Not classified

Aspiration hazard : Not classified

Symptoms/injuries after inhalation : May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation.

Symptoms/injuries after skin contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.

Symptoms/injuries after eye contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.

Symptoms/injuries after ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

Symptoms/injuries upon intravenous : Not known.

administration

: Adverse effects not expected from this product.

## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

### 12.1. Toxicity

Chronic symptoms

Ecology - general : Classification criteria are not met.

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Methane (0.0000025% - 10.32%) in Argon		
Persistence and degradability	No data available.	
Methane (74-82-8)		
Persistence and degradability The substance is biodegradable. Unlikely to persist. No data available.		
Argon (7440-37-1)		
Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.	

### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Methane (0.0000025% - 10.32%) in Argon		
Log Pow	Not applicable for gas-mixtures.	
Log Kow	Not applicable for gas-mixtures.	
Bioaccumulative potential	No data available.	
Methane (74-82-8)		
Log Pow	1.09	
Log Kow	Not applicable for gas-mixtures.	
Bioaccumulative potential	Not expected to bioaccumulate due to the low log Kow (log Kow < 4). Refer to section 9.	
Argon (7440-37-1)		
Log Pow	Not applicable for inorganic gases.	
Bioaccumulative potential	No ecological damage caused by this product.	

### 12.4. Mobility in soil

Methane (0.0000025% - 10.32%) in Argon		
Mobility in soil	No data available.	
Methane (74-82-8)		
Mobility in soil	No data available.	
Ecology - soil	Because of its high volatility, the product is unlikely to cause ground or water pollution.	
Argon (7440-37-1)		
Ecology - soil	No ecological damage caused by this product.	

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12.5. Other adverse effects

Other adverse effects : None known. Effect on ozone layer : None.

Effect on the global warming : Contains greenhouse gas(es) not covered by 842/2006/EC.

### **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Waste treatment methods : Contact supplier if guidance is required. Do not discharge into any place where its

accumulation could be dangerous. Ensure that the emission levels from local regulations or

operating permits are not exceeded.

Waste disposal recommendations : Refer to the CGA Pamphlet P-63 "Disposal of Gases" available at www.cganet.com for more

guidance on suitable disposal methods.

Ecology - waste materials : None known.

### **SECTION 14: Transport information**

In accordance with DOT

Transport document description : UN1956 Compressed gas, n.o.s.

UN-No.(DOT) : UN1956

Proper Shipping Name (DOT) : Compressed gas, n.o.s. Hazard labels (DOT) : 2.2 - Non-flammable gas



DOT Symbols : G - Identifies PSN requiring a technical name

DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 306;307

DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 302;305

DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 314;315

DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger aircraft/rail : 75 kg

(49 CFR 173.27)

DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo aircraft only (49 : 150 kg

CFR 175.75)

DOT Vessel Stowage Location : A - The material may be stowed "on deck" or "under deck" on a cargo vessel and on a

passenger vessel.

### **Additional information**

Other information : No supplementary information available.

Special transport precautions : Avoid transport on vehicles where the load space is not separated from the driver's

compartment. Ensure vehicle driver is aware of the potential hazards of the load and knows what to do in the event of an accident or an emergency. Before transporting product containers:
- Ensure there is adequate ventilation. - Ensure that containers are firmly secured. - Ensure cylinder valve is closed and not leaking. - Ensure valve outlet cap nut or plug (where provided)

is correctly fitted. - Ensure valve protection device (where provided) is correctly fitted.

### ADR

No additional information available

### Transport by sea

UN-No. (IMDG) : 1956

Proper Shipping Name (IMDG) : COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S.

Class (IMDG) : 2.2 - Non-flammable, non-toxic gases

Air transport

UN-No.(IATA) : 1956

Proper Shipping Name (IATA) : COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S.

Class (IATA) : 2

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### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### 15.1. US Federal regulations

#### Methane (74-82-8)

Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory

#### Argon (7440-37-1)

Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory

#### 15.2. International regulations

#### **CANADA**

Methane (74-82-8)		
Listed on the Canadian DSL (Dome	ic Sustances List)	
WHMIS Classification Class A - Compressed Gas Class B Division 1 - Flammable Gas		
Argon (7440-37-1)		
Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Sustances List)		
WHMIS Classification	Class A - Compressed Gas	

#### **EU-Regulations**

#### Methane (74-82-8)

Listed on the EEC inventory EINECS (European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances)

#### Argon (7440-37-1)

Listed on the EEC inventory EINECS (European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances)

### Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

Not classified

#### Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC [DSD] or 1999/45/EC [DPD]

### 15.2.2. National regulations

### Methane (74-82-8)

Listed on the AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)

Listed on IECSC (Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China)

Listed on the Japanese ENCS (Existing & New Chemical Substances) inventory

Listed on the Korean ECL (Existing Chemicals List)

Listed on NZIoC (New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals)

Listed on PICCS (Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances)

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Listed on PICCS (Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances)

### 15.3. US State regulations

### Methane (74-82-8)

- U.S. Massachusetts Right To Know List
- U.S. New Jersey Right to Know Hazardous Substance List
- U.S. Pennsylvania RTK (Right to Know) List

### Argon (7440-37-1)

- U.S. Massachusetts Right To Know List
- U.S. New Jersey Right to Know Hazardous Substance List
- U.S. Pennsylvania RTK (Right to Know) List

### **SECTION 16: Other information**

Indication of changes

: Revised safety data sheet in accordance with OSHA final rule on GHS implementation promulgated March 26, 2012.

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Other information

: This Safety Data Sheet is offered pursuant to OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR, 1910.1200. Other government regulations must be reviewed for applicability to this product.

### Full text of H-phrases:

Compressed gas	Gases under pressure Compressed gas
Flam. Gas 1	Flammable gases Category 1
H220	Extremely flammable gas
H280	Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated

SDS US (GHS HazCom 2012)

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