FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Boric Acid

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SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Boric acid

CAS#: 10043-35-3

SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

White crystalline powder. Odorless.

Slightly toxic by ingestion, inhalation, or skin absorption; irritant to skin in dry form.

Avoid ingestion, inhalation, and skin absorption.

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Health-1 Flammability-0

Reactivity-1

Exposure-1 Storage-0

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye or External: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

Internal: Rinse out mouth, give 1 to 2 cups of water or milk, and induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control at once.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable, noncombustible solid.

NFPA CODE

None established

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #9; store with other inorganic acids. Store in a cool, dry place.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and chemical-resistant apron. Use exhaust ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

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SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

White, odorless, crystalline powder.

Solubility: Soluble in water.

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Formula: H₃BO₃ Formula weight: 61.84 Melting point: 185 °C Specific gravity: 2.46

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with potassium and acid anhydrides.

Shelf life: Indefinite, if stored properly.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Irritant. ORL-RAT LD_{50} : 2660 mg/kg Chronic effects: N.A. IHL-RAT LC_{50} : N.A. SKN-RBT LD_{50} : N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Data not yet available.

SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding. Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #24a is one option.

SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping name: Not regulated

Hazard class: N/A UN number: N/A N/A = Not applicable

SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (233-139-2).

SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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