

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

FIRST CHOICE® 8-8-2

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SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Chemical Product

FIRST CHOICE® 8-8-2

Common Name: Liquid nutrient/buffer.
Chemical Description: Liquid fertilizer/surfactant mixture.
TSCA/CAS No.: This product is a mixture — there is no single CAS number.

Manufactured For:

Western Farm Service, Inc.
P. O. Box 1168
Fresno, CA 93715
(559) 438-6133

Emergency Phone Numbers

Emergency Telephone: CHEMTREC (24-Hour Response): (800) 424-9300
EPA National Response Center: (800) 424-8802

SECTION 2. HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

| <u>CHEMICAL</u> | <u>CAS NO.</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>TLV OR PEL</u> | <u>RQ (lbs)</u> |
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| Phosphoric acid | 7664-38-2 | 10.4 | N.A.* | 5,000 |
| Zinc sulfate | 7733-02-2 | 2.5 | N.A. | 1,000 |
| POE Nonylphenol | 26027-38-32.0 | N.A. | N.A. | |
| Ferrous sulfate | 7720-78-7 | <1.0 | N.A. | 1,000 |
| Manganese sulfate | 7785-87-7 | <1.0 | N.A. | N.A. |

N.A. - Not Available.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY/HAZARDS OVERVIEW

Clear amber liquid with slightly soapy/phosphoric acid-like odor. Severe eye irritant. Avoid contact with strong alkalis, acids, oxidizing agents. Burning may result in formation of nitrogen oxides. Not D.O.T. regulated.

HEALTH: 2 REACTIVITY: 1 FLAMMABILITY: 0 ENVIRONMENT: 1

(0=Insignificant 1=Slight 2=Moderate 3=High 4=Extreme)

SECTION 4. FIRST AID

Eyes: Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water and get medical attention.
Skin: Immediately wash skin with plenty of soap and water while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.
Ingestion: Call a physician or Poison Control Center. Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water. If so advised by a physician or Poison Control Center, induce vomiting by touching back of throat with finger. Do not induce vomiting or give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
Inhalation: Remove victim to fresh air.

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| SECTION 5. | FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS |
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| Flash Point: | >350°F. |
| Test Method: | ASTM-D93 |
| LEL Flammable Limits: | Not pertinent. |
| UEL Flammable Limits: | Not pertinent. |
| Autoignition Temperature: | Not pertinent. |
| Flammability Classification: | Noncombustible. |
| Known Hazardous Products of Combustion: | None. |
| Properties that Initiate/Contribute to Intensity of Fire: | None. |
| Potential For Dust Explosion: | None. |
| Reactions that Release Flammable Gases or Vapors: | Not known. |
| Potential For Release of Flammable Vapors: | None. |
| Unusual Fire & Explosion Hazards: | Burning may result in formation of nitrogen oxides. |
| Extinguishing Media: | Does not burn. |
| Special Firefighting Procedures: | Wear positive pressure, self-contained breathing apparatus and goggles. Avoid smoke inhalation. Contain any liquid runoff. |

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| SECTION 6. | SPILLS AND LEAKS |
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| Containment: | Prevent product spillage from entering drinking water supplies or streams. |
| Clean Up: | Collect liquid or absorb onto absorbent material and package for disposal. |
| Evacuation: | Not necessary. |

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| SECTION 7. | STORAGE AND HANDLING |
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| Storage: | Store in plastic or stainless steel container in a cool, well-ventilated, dry place at temperatures above 40°F. Do not store near food or feeds. Do not stack pallets more than two (2) high. |
| Transfer Equipment: | Transfer product using chemical-resistant plastic or stainless steel tanks, pumps, valves, etc. |
| Work/Hygienic Practices: | Harmful if swallowed. May cause irritation of eyes, nose, throat and skin. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid breathing spray mist. Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash thoroughly before reuse. Do not contaminate feed and foodstuffs. Do not apply this product in such a manner as to directly or through drift expose workers or other persons. The area being treated must be vacated by unprotected persons. |

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| SECTION 8. | PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT |
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| Eyes: | Chemical dust/splash goggles or full-face shield to prevent eye contact. As a general rule, do not wear contact lenses when handling. |
| Skin: | Impervious gloves and clothes. |
| Respiratory: | Not normally needed. If use generates an aerosol mist or respiratory irritation, use NIOSH-approved dust/mist respirator (such as 3M #8710). |
| Ventilation: | Recommended but no TLV established. |

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL DATA

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| Appearance: | Clear amber liquid. |
| Odor: | Slightly soapy/phosphoric acid-like. |
| pH: | 1.8 |
| Vapor Pressure: | 0.25 (psi) |
| Vapor Density (Air=1): | >1.0 |
| Boiling Point: | 98.9°C (210°). |
| Freezing Point: | Not available. |
| Water Solubility: | Miscible. |
| Density: | 9.84 lbs./gal. |
| Evaporation Rate: | Not available. |
| Viscosity: | Not available. |
| % Volatile: | Not available. |
| Octanol/Water Partition Coefficient: | Not available. |
| Saturated Vapor Concentration: | Not available. |

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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| Stability: | Stable. |
| Conditions To Avoid: | Avoid contact with strong alkalis, acids, oxidizing agents. |
| Incompatibility: | Not available. |
| Hazardous Decomposition Products: | Burning may result in formation of nitrogen oxides. |
| Hazardous Polymerization: | Will not occur. |

SECTION 11. POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTSAcute Effects:

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| Eyes: | Severe irritant. Causes redness and/or burning. |
| Skin: | Irritant, especially from prolonged exposure. Causes redness, drying and cracking. |
| Ingestion: | May cause stomach cramps and/or nausea. |
| Inhalation: | None expected but aerosol mist may cause mild irritation of nasal mucous membranes. |

Subchronic Effects:

None known.

Chronic Effects:

None known.

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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| Algal/Lemna Growth Inhibition: | Not known. |
| Toxicity to Fish and Invertebrates: | Not known. |
| Toxicity to Plants: | Not known. |
| Toxicity in Birds: | Not known. |

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate lakes, streams, ponds, estuaries, oceans or other waters by discharge of waste effluents or equipment washwaters. Dispose of waste effluents according to state and local regulations. Also, chemical additions or other alterations of this product may invalidate any disposal information in this MSDS. Therefore, consult local waste regulators for proper disposal.

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| SECTION 14. | TRANSPORTATION |
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| D.O.T.: | Not D.O.T. Regulated. |
| Other Shipping Description: | Adhesives, Adjuvants, Spreaders or Stickers, Liquid. (NMFC Item 4612, LTL Class 60) |

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| SECTION 15. | REGULATORY INFORMATION |
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| <u>CERCLA</u> : | Iron sulfate, zinc sulfate and phosphoric acid are listed as priority pollutants under the Clean Water Act and, as such, fall under the CERCLA spill reporting requirements of 40 CFR 302. |
| <u>SARA TITLE III, Section 313 Toxic Chemicals</u> : | Phosphoric acid (10.4%), Zinc compounds (2.5%). |
| <u>PROPOSITION 65 (CA)</u> : | None. |

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| SECTION 16. | OTHER |
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