


**SECTION 1: PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

PRODUCT IDENTIFIER	GRADE F115FF
CHEMICAL NAME	Bentonite, Acid Leached
CHEMICAL FAMILY	Clay
MATERIAL USE	Bleaching Clay
RESTRICTION ON USE	None Known
MANUFACTURER	EP Engineered Clays Corporation, 600 East McDowell Road Jackson, MS 39204
TELEPHONE NO.	(601) 985-4857 (Monday – Friday 8:00 am PST – 5:00 pm PST)
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**SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

OSHA GHS HAZARD CLASSIFICATION	Carcinogen Category 1A Specific Target Organ Toxicity, Repeated Exposure Category 1
HAZARDS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED	None
LABEL ELEMENTS	<p><b>DANGER</b>            May cause cancer by inhalation.            Causes damage to lungs through prolonged or repeated exposure.            Obtain special instructions before use.            Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.            Do not breathe dust.            Wear eye protection.            If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice.            Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.</p> 

**SECTION 3: COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

INGREDIENT IDENTIFICATION	APPROXIMATE CONCENTRATION (%)	C.A.S. NUMBERS
Bentonite, Acid Leached (contains 1-5% Crystalline Silica - Quartz)	100%	70131-50-9 14808-60-7

**SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

EYE	Flush eyes with generous quantities of water or eye rinse solution. Consult physician if irritation persists.
SKIN	Use moisture renewing lotions if dryness occurs.
INGESTION	Drink generous amounts of water to reduce bulk and drying effects.
INHALATION	Remove to fresh air. Blow nose to evacuate dust.
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed	Dust may cause abrasive irritation to eyes. Prolonged skin contact may cause dryness. Dust may cause nose, throat and upper respiratory tract irritation. Prolonged inhalation of respirable dust containing silica may cause a progressive lung disease, silicosis and lung cancer. See Section 11 for additional information.
Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment, if necessary	Immediate medical attention is not normally required. If dust irritates the eyes, seek medical attention.

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<b>SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES</b>				
EXTINGUISHING MEDIA	Not applicable, the material is not combustible.			
SPECIFIC HAZARDS ARISING FROM THE CHEMICAL	Not applicable, the material is not combustible.			
SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND PRECAUTIONS FOR FIRE-FIGHTERS	Not applicable, the material is not combustible.			
<b>SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES</b>				
PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS	If dust is present, use respirator fitted with particulate filter as specified in Section 8. Protect eyes with goggles. Do not breathe dust.			
ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS	This material is not a significant environmental concern.			
METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR CONTAINMENT AND CLEANING UP	Vacuum clean spillage or wet sweep. Caution: wet product will be slippery. Avoid creating airborne dust. Place in a container for use or disposal.			
<b>SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE</b>				
PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING	Minimize dust generation. Avoid contact with eyes. Do not breathe dust. Use only with adequate ventilation and dust collection. Repair or dispose of broken bags. Follow good housekeeping procedures to minimize the accumulation of dust in the work area. Remove contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. Product forms slippery surfaces when wet – use caution. Observe all label precautions and warnings.			
CONDITIONS FOR SAFE STORAGE	Store in a dry place to maintain packaging integrity and product quality. Store product separately from feed, food, pesticides and fertilizers so that cross contaminations does not occur. Do not store near hydrofluoric acid or concentrated caustic solutions.			
<b>SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION</b>				
EXPOSURE GUIDELINES:	Note: Processing of sorptive clays is not covered by the OSHA Silica Standard (29CFR1910.1053) and the OSHA PEL associated with that standard.			
Component	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV	MSHA PEL	NIOSH REL
Bentonite, Acid Leached (as Particulates not otherwise classified)	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> respirable dust 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> total dust	None Established	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> respirable dust 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> total dust	None Established
Crystalline Silica (Quartz)	30 mg/m <sup>3</sup> % SiO <sub>2</sub> +2 total dust  10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> % SiO <sub>2</sub> +2 Respirable dust	0.025 mg/ m <sup>3</sup> Respirable dust	30 mg/m <sup>3</sup> % SiO <sub>2</sub> +2 total dust  10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> % SiO <sub>2</sub> +2 Respirable dust	0.05 mg/ m <sup>3</sup> Respirable dust
ENGINEERING CONTROLS	Use general or local exhaust ventilation to control dust within recommended exposure limits. Refer to ACGIH publication "Industrial Ventilation" or similar publications for design of ventilation systems.			
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:				
EYE / FACE PROTECTION	Goggles to protect from dust			
SKIN PROTECTION	No special equipment is needed.			
RESPIRATORY PROTECTION	If the exposure limits are exceeded, a NIOSH approved respirator appropriate for the form and concentration of the contaminants should be used. For example, if the dust concentration is less than ten (10) times the Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL), use a quarter or half-mask respirator with an N95 dust filter or a single-use dust mask rated N95. Selection and use of respiratory equipment must be in accordance with OSHA 1910.134; or in Canada with CSA Standard Z94.4 and good industrial hygiene practice.			
GENERAL HYGIENE	Avoid breathing dust. Avoid contact with eyes. Wash hands after handling and before eating or drinking.			

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### SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE, COLOR	Off-white to light grey powder	ODOR	Odorless
PHYSICAL STATE	Solid	ODOR THRESHOLD	Not applicable
VAPOR PRESSURE	Not applicable	VAPOR DENSITY	Not applicable
BOILING POINT	Not applicable	MELTING POINT	>450 °C
FLASH POINT	Not applicable	pH (10% SUSPENSION)	Unknown
FLAMMABILITY LIMITS	Not applicable	EVAPORATION RATE	Not applicable
DECOMPOSITION TEMPERATURE	Unknown	SPEC. GRAVITY / RELATIVE DENSITY	2.28 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE	Not applicable	PARTITION COEFFICIENT – n-OCTANOL/WATER	Not applicable
FLAMMABILITY (solid/gas)	Not applicable	SOLUBILITY – WATER	< 1 mg/l
		VISCOSITY	Not applicable

### SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

REACTIVITY	Material is not reactive.
CHEMICAL STABILITY	Material is stable.
POSSIBILITY OF HAZARDOUS REACTIONS	Material is not reactive under normal conditions of handling unless mixed with incompatible substances below.
CONDITIONS TO AVOID	Not applicable
INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS	Unsaturated organic compounds, such as turpentine and vegetable oil. Hydrofluoric acid and concentrated caustic solutions may react with the product. Strong oxidizing agents.
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS	Not applicable

### SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS	
Likely Routes of Exposure	See below
EYE	May cause irritation (tear formation and redness) if dust gets in eyes.
SKIN	Not absorbed by the skin, but may cause dryness if prolonged exposure.
INGESTION	Ingestion of small quantities is not considered harmful, but may cause irritation of the mouth, throat and stomach.
INHALATION	Acute inhalation can cause dryness of the nasal passage and lung congestion, coughing and general throat irritation. Acute inhalation of high concentrations of respirable crystalline silica may cause acute silicosis.
CHRONIC EFFECTS	This product contains naturally occurring crystalline silica. Respirable crystalline silica may cause lung cancer and lung disease (silicosis) if inhaled for prolonged periods. Symptoms of silicosis include wheezing, cough and shortness of breath.
CARCINOGENICITY	This product is composed predominantly of clay, but contains some crystalline silica. Respirable crystalline silica (quartz) is classified by OSHA, IARC and NTP as a known human carcinogen. Crystalline silica is only known to cause cancer when inhaled in a respirable form. It is not known to cause cancer by any other route of exposure.
NTP	Respirable crystalline silica (quartz) is classified as a known human carcinogen.
IARC	Respirable crystalline silica (quartz) is classified as a known human carcinogen.
NUMERICAL MEASURES OF TOXICITY	Virtually nontoxic after a single ingestion. Virtually nontoxic by inhalation. Virtually nontoxic after a single skin contact.

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CORROSIVENESS, SENSITIZATION, IRRITANCY	Not irritating					
REPRODUCTIVE TOXICITY	Not adverse effects on reproduction are known.					
TERATOGENICITY, MUTAGENICITY	No adverse effects on development are known.					
<b>SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION</b>						
ECOTOXICITY:	No toxicity is expected					
PERSISTENCE AND DEGRADABILITY	Non-biodegradable, inert.					
BIOACCUMULATIVE POTENTIAL	Little potential for bioaccumulation					
MOBILITY IN SOIL	No mobility					
OTHER ADVERSE EFFECTS	None known					
<b>SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS</b>						
WASTE DISPOSAL	If this material as supplied becomes a waste, use solid waste disposal common to landfill type operations or in slurry to sumps. Not considered a hazardous waste under RCRA (40CFR Part 261).					
PACKAGING DISPOSAL	Dispose of in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, typically solid waste disposal common to landfill type operations.					
<b>SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION</b>						
BASIC SHIPPING INFORMATION	Not regulated as a hazardous material for transport.					
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	No special requirements or placarding necessary.					
<b>SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION</b>						
U.S. FEDERAL:						
TSCA	Bentonite, Acid Leached and Quartz appear on the EPA TSCA inventory list.					
CERCLA	Bentonite is not classified as a hazardous substance under regulations of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), 40 CFR 302.					
SARA TITLE III	Not listed.					
California Proposition 65:	⚠️WARNING: This product can expose you to crystalline silica, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information go to <a href="http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov">www.P65Warnings.ca.gov</a>					
<b>SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION</b>						
	 <p>NFPA</p> <p>4-Extreme 3-High 2-Moderate 1-Slight</p>	<p>HMS</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>0+ Health</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0 Flammability</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0 Reactivity</td> </tr> <tr> <td>E Protective Equipment</td> </tr> </table>	0+ Health	0 Flammability	0 Reactivity	E Protective Equipment
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