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**SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking****1.1 Product identifier**

Trade name

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Product code(s)

HTS-4 (ASY0243), HTS-10 (ASY0233), QS1200 (ASY0095), SLN0032

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

Relevant identified uses

Laboratory and analytical use

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency information service

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office hours: Mon-Fri 09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

**SECTION 2: Hazards identification****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**

Classification (acc. to GB CLP)

This mixture does not meet the criteria for classification.

**2.2 Label elements**

Labelling (acc. to GB CLP)

not required

**2.3 Other hazards**

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Does not contain a PBT-/vPvB-substance at a concentration of  $\geq 0,1\%$ .

Endocrine disrupting properties

Does not contain an endocrine disruptor (ED) at a concentration of  $\geq 0,1\%$ .

**SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients****3.1 Substances**

Not relevant (mixture)

**3.2 Mixtures**

Description of the mixture

This product does not meet the criteria for classification in any hazard class according to GHS.

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**SECTION 4: First aid measures****4.1 Description of first aid measures****General notes**

Do not leave affected person unattended. Remove victim out of the danger area. Keep affected person warm, still and covered. Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical advice. In case of unconsciousness place person in the recovery position. Never give anything by mouth.

**Following inhalation**

If breathing is irregular or stopped, immediately seek medical assistance and start first aid actions. Provide fresh air.

**Following skin contact**

Wash with plenty of soap and water.

**Following eye contact**

Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Irrigate copiously with clean, fresh water for at least 10 minutes, holding the eyelids apart.

**Following ingestion**

Rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious). Do NOT induce vomiting.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

Symptoms and effects are not known to date.

**4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

none

**SECTION 5: Firefighting measures****5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Water spray, BC-powder, Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

**Unsuitable extinguishing media**

Water jet

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture****Hazardous combustion products**

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Co-ordinate firefighting measures to the fire surroundings. Do not allow firefighting water to enter drains or water courses. Collect contaminated firefighting water separately. Fight fire with normal precautions from a reasonable distance.

**SECTION 6: Accidental release measures****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures****For non-emergency personnel**

Remove persons to safety.

**For emergency responders**

Wear breathing apparatus if exposed to vapours/dust/spray/gases.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water. Retain contaminated washing water and dispose of it.

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

Advice on how to contain a spill

Covering of drains

Advice on how to clean up a spill

Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Collect spillage: sawdust, kieselgur (diatomite), sand, universal binder

Appropriate containment techniques

Use of adsorbent materials.

Other information relating to spills and releases

Place in appropriate containers for disposal. Ventilate affected area.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5. Personal protective equipment: see section 8. Incompatible materials: see section 10. Disposal considerations: see section 13.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Recommendations

- Measures to prevent fire as well as aerosol and dust generation

Use local and general ventilation. Use only in well-ventilated areas.

Advice on general occupational hygiene

Wash hands after use. Do not eat, drink and smoke in work areas. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. Never keep food or drink in the vicinity of chemicals. Never place chemicals in containers that are normally used for food or drink. Keep away from food, drink and animal feedingstuffs.

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

Control of effects

Protect against external exposure, such as  
frost

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

See section 16 for a general overview.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

Occupational exposure limit values (Workplace Exposure Limits)  
this information is not available

### 8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

General ventilation.

Individual protection measures (personal protective equipment)

Eye/face protection

Wear eye/face protection.

Skin protection

- Hand protection

Wear suitable gloves. Chemical protection gloves are suitable, which are tested according to EN 374. Check leak-tightness/impermeability prior to use. In the case of wanting to use the gloves again, clean them before taking off and air

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them well. For special purposes, it is recommended to check the resistance to chemicals of the protective gloves mentioned above together with the supplier of these gloves.

### - Other protection measures

Take recovery periods for skin regeneration. Preventive skin protection (barrier creams/ointments) is recommended. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

### Respiratory protection

In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

### Environmental exposure controls

Use appropriate container to avoid environmental contamination. Keep away from drains, surface and ground water.

## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	liquid
Colour	not determined
Odour	characteristic
Melting point/freezing point	not determined
Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range	not determined
Flammability	this material is combustible, but will not ignite readily
Lower and upper explosion limit	not determined
Flash point	not determined
Auto-ignition temperature	not determined
Decomposition temperature	not relevant
pH (value)	not determined
Kinematic viscosity	not determined
Solubility(ies)	not determined

### Partition coefficient

Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)	this information is not available
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Vapour pressure	not determined
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### Density and/or relative density

Density	not determined
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Relative vapour density	information on this property is not available
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Particle characteristics	not relevant (liquid)
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### 9.2 Other information

Information with regard to physical hazard classes	hazard classes acc. to GHS (physical hazards): not relevant
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Other safety characteristics

Liquid content	99.84 %
Solid content	0.1474 %

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

Concerning incompatibility: see below "Conditions to avoid" and "Incompatible materials".

### 10.2 Chemical stability

The material is stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No known hazardous reactions.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

There are no specific conditions known which have to be avoided.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Oxidisers

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Reasonably anticipated hazardous decomposition products produced as a result of use, storage, spill and heating are not known. Hazardous combustion products: see section 5.

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Test data are not available for the complete mixture.

Classification procedure

The method for classification of the mixture is based on ingredients of the mixture (additivity formula).

#### Classification acc. to GHS

This mixture does not meet the criteria for classification.

Acute toxicity

Shall not be classified as acutely toxic.

Skin corrosion/irritation

Shall not be classified as corrosive/irritant to skin.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Shall not be classified as seriously damaging to the eye or eye irritant.

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**Respiratory or skin sensitisation**

Shall not be classified as a respiratory or skin sensitizer.

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

Shall not be classified as germ cell mutagenic.

**Carcinogenicity**

Shall not be classified as carcinogenic.

**Reproductive toxicity**

Shall not be classified as a reproductive toxicant.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (single exposure).

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (repeated exposure).

**Aspiration hazard**

Shall not be classified as presenting an aspiration hazard.

**SECTION 12: Ecological information****12.1 Toxicity**

Shall not be classified as hazardous to the aquatic environment.

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Data are not available.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

Data are not available.

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

Data are not available.

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

Does not contain a PBT-/vPvB-substance at a concentration of  $\geq 0,1\%$ .

**12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties**

Does not contain an endocrine disruptor (ED) at a concentration of  $\geq 0,1\%$ .

**12.7 Other adverse effects**

Data are not available.

**SECTION 13: Disposal considerations****13.1 Waste treatment methods****Sewage disposal-relevant information**

Do not empty into drains. Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/safety data sheets.

**Waste treatment of containers/packagings**

Completely emptied packages can be recycled. Handle contaminated packages in the same way as the substance itself.

**Remarks**

Please consider the relevant national or regional provisions. Waste shall be separated into the categories that can be handled separately by the local or national waste management facilities.

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**SECTION 14: Transport information**

- 14.1 UN number** not subject to transport regulations
- 14.2 UN proper shipping name** not relevant
- 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)** none
- 14.4 Packing group** not assigned
- 14.5 Environmental hazards** non-environmentally hazardous acc. to the dangerous goods regulations
- 14.6 Special precautions for user**  
There is no additional information.
- 14.7 Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments**  
The cargo is not intended to be carried in bulk.

**Information for each of the UN Model Regulations****International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG) - Additional information**

Not subject to IMDG.

**International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO-IATA/DGR) - Additional information**

Not subject to ICAO-IATA.

**SECTION 15: Regulatory information****15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture****Relevant provisions of the European Union (EU)****Deco-Paint Directive**

VOC content	99.84 %
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**Industrial Emissions Directive (IED)**

VOC content	99.84 %
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**Directive on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS)**

none of the ingredients are listed

**Regulation concerning the establishment of a European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (PRTR)**

none of the ingredients are listed

**Regulation on persistent organic pollutants (POP)**

none of the ingredients are listed

**National regulations (GB)****List of substances subject to authorisation (GB REACH, Annex 14) / SVHC - candidate list**

none of the ingredients are listed

**Restrictions according to GB REACH, Annex 17**

none of the ingredients are listed

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### National inventories

Country	Inventory	Status
AU	AIIC	not all ingredients are listed
CA	DSL	not all ingredients are listed
CN	IECSC	all ingredients are listed
EU	ECSI	all ingredients are listed
EU	REACH Reg.	not all ingredients are listed
JP	CSCL-ENCS	not all ingredients are listed
JP	ISHA-ENCS	not all ingredients are listed
KR	KECI	not all ingredients are listed
MX	INSQ	not all ingredients are listed
NZ	NZIoC	all ingredients are listed
PH	PICCS	all ingredients are listed
TR	CICR	not all ingredients are listed
TW	TCSI	all ingredients are listed
US	TSCA	not all ingredients are listed

#### Legend

AIIC	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals
CICR	Chemical Inventory and Control Regulation
CSCL-ENCS	List of Existing and New Chemical Substances (CSCL-ENCS)
DSL	Domestic Substances List (DSL)
ECSI	EC Substance Inventory (EINECS, ELINCS, NLP)
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China
INSQ	National Inventory of Chemical Substances
ISHA-ENCS	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ISHA-ENCS)
KECI	Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory
NZIoC	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
PICCS	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)
REACH Reg.	REACH registered substances
TCSI	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory
TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act

### 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

Chemical safety assessments for substances in this mixture were not carried out.

## SECTION 16: Other information

### Indication of changes (revised safety data sheet)

Section	Former entry (text/value)	Actual entry (text/value)	Safety-relevant
1.1	Trade name: Letheen Broth	Trade name: Transport Swab / Q-Swab / Letheen Broth	yes
1.1	Alternative name(s): Letheen TransportSwab, Sponge'n Bag Letheen,		yes



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Section	Former entry (text/value)	Actual entry (text/value)	Safety-relevant
	Stick Sponge Letheen, Q-Swab Collection Device		
1.1	Product code(s): HTS-4/HTS-10, SS100LETP/SS100LETPG, HSB100LETP/SS100LETPG, QS1200, SLN0032	Product code(s): HTS-4 (ASY0243), HTS-10 (ASY0233), QS1200 (ASY0095), SLN0032	yes
9.2	Liquid content: 99.74 %	Liquid content: 99.84 %	yes
9.2	Solid content: 0.14 %	Solid content: 0.1474 %	yes
15.1	VOC content: 99.74 %	VOC content: 99.84 %	yes
15.1	VOC content: 99.74 %	VOC content: 99.84 %	yes
15.1	Water Framework Directive (WFD): none of the ingredients are listed		yes

### Abbreviations and acronyms

Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
ADR	Accord relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par route (Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)
DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (see IATA/DGR)
ED	Endocrine disruptor
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
ELINCS	European List of Notified Chemical Substances
GB CLP	The Chemicals (Health and Safety) and Genetically Modified Organisms (Contained Use) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019, SI 2019/720 (as amended)
GB REACH	The REACH etc. (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019, SI 2019/758 (as amended)
GHS	"Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals" developed by the United Nations
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IATA/DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA)
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
NLP	No-Longer Polymer
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
RID	Règlement concernant le transport International ferroviaire des marchandises Dangereuses (Regulations concerning the International carriage of Dangerous goods by Rail)
VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
vPvB	Very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

### Key literature references and sources for data

The REACH etc. (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019, SI 2019/758 (as amended). The Chemicals (Health and Safety) and Genetically Modified Organisms (Contained Use) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019, SI 2019/720 (as amended). GB mandatory classification and labelling.

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Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR). Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID). International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG). Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA).

**Classification procedure**

Physical and chemical properties: The classification is based on tested mixture.

Health hazards, Environmental hazards: The method for classification of the mixture is based on ingredients of the mixture (additivity formula).

**Disclaimer**

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