1. Product and Company Identification

Company  
BASF Construction Chemicals  
100 Campus Drive  
Florham Park, NJ 07932

24 Hour Emergency Response Information  
CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300  
BASF HOTLINE: 1-800-832-HELP

Registrant:

2. Hazards Identification

**Emergency overview**

**WARNING:**  
FLAMMABLE LIQUID AND VAPOR.  
MAY CAUSE EYE, SKIN AND RESPIRATORY TRACT IRRITATION.  
MAY BE HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED.  
REPORTS HAVE ASSOCIATED REPEATED AND PROLONGED OCCUPATIONAL OVEREXPOSURE TO SOLVENTS WITH PERMANENT BRAIN AND NERVOUS SYSTEM DAMAGE.  
Overexposure may cause CNS depression including headache, dizziness, nausea and loss of consciousness.  
Keep container tightly closed.  
Avoid all sources of ignition: heat, sparks, open flame.

State of matter: liquid  
Colour: clear  
Odour: solvent-like

**Potential health effects**

**Primary routes of exposure:**  
Routes of entry for solids and liquids include eye and skin contact, ingestion and inhalation. Routes of entry for gases include inhalation and eye contact. Skin contact may be a route of entry for liquified gases.

**Acute toxicity:**  
No data available.

**Irritation / corrosion:**  
Skin contact may result in irritation, defatting and dermatitis. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

**Chronic toxicity:**

**Repeated dose toxicity:** Overexposure may cause CNS depression including headache, dizziness, nausea and loss of consciousness.

**Potential environmental effects**
Aquatic toxicity:
At the present state of knowledge, no negative ecological effects are expected. There is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to aquatic organisms. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from products of a similar structure and composition.

3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

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<th>Content (W/W)</th>
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<td>540-88-5</td>
<td>40.0 - 70.0 %</td>
<td>tert-butyl acetate</td>
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<td>64742-95-6</td>
<td>10.0 - 30.0 %</td>
<td>solvent naphtha</td>
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<td>71888-89-6</td>
<td>1.0 - 5.0 %</td>
<td>1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, di-C6-8-branched alkyl esters, C7-rich</td>
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4. First-Aid Measures

General advice:
First aid personnel should pay attention to their own safety. Remove contaminated clothing.

If inhaled:
If difficulties occur after vapour/aerosol has been inhaled, remove to fresh air and seek medical attention.

If on skin:
After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water and soap. Under no circumstances should organic solvent be used. If irritation develops, seek medical attention.

If in eyes:
Wash affected eyes for at least 15 minutes under running water with eyelids held open, consult an eye specialist.

If swallowed:
Rinse mouth immediately and then drink plenty of water, seek medical attention. Do not induce vomiting unless told to by a poison control center or doctor. Never induce vomiting or give anything by mouth if the victim is unconscious or having convulsions.

5. Fire-Fighting Measures

Flash point: 55 °F (ASTM D3278)

Suitable extinguishing media:
foam, water spray, dry extinguishing media, carbon dioxide

Unsuitable extinguishing media for safety reasons:
water jet

Hazards during fire-fighting:
carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, harmful vapours, nitrogen oxides, fumes/smoke, carbon black

Protective equipment for fire-fighting:
Wear a self-contained breathing apparatus.

Further information:
Contaminated extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with official regulations.
6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions:
Use personal protective clothing. Do not breathe vapour/aerosol/spray mists. Sources of ignition should be kept well clear. Handle in accordance with good building materials hygiene and safety practice.

Environmental precautions:
Contain contaminated water/firefighting water. Do not discharge into drains/surface waters/groundwater.

Cleanup:
For small amounts: Pick up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, earth etc.). Dispose of contaminated material as prescribed.
For large amounts: Pump off product.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling
General advice:
Avoid aerosol formation. Avoid inhalation of mists/vapours. Avoid skin contact. No special measures necessary provided product is used correctly.

Protection against fire and explosion:
Keep away from heat. Prevent electrostatic charge - sources of ignition should be kept well clear - fire extinguishers should be kept handy.

Storage
General advice:
Keep only in the original container in a cool, well-ventilated place. Protect from direct sunlight.

Storage incompatibility:
General advice: Segregate from metals. Segregate from lyes. Segregate from oxidants. Segregate from foods and animal feeds.

8. Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

Components with workplace control parameters
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<th>Ingredient</th>
<th>OSHA PEL</th>
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<td>200 ppm</td>
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<td>950 mg/m3</td>
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Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection:
When workers are facing concentrations above the occupational exposure limits they must use appropriate certified respirators.

Hand protection:
Wear chemical resistant protective gloves., Manufacturer's directions for use should be observed because of great diversity of types.

Eye protection:
Tightly fitting safety goggles (chemical goggles).

Body protection:
Body protection must be chosen based on level of activity and exposure.
General safety and hygiene measures:
Avoid contact with the skin, eyes and clothing. In order to prevent contamination while handling, closed working clothes and working gloves should be used. Handle in accordance with good building materials hygiene and safety practice. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Hands and/or face should be washed before breaks and at the end of the shift. At the end of the shift the skin should be cleaned and skin-care agents applied. Gloves must be inspected regularly and prior to each use. Replace if necessary (e.g. pinhole leaks).

### 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

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<td>Boiling point</td>
<td>98 °C</td>
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<td>Density</td>
<td>7.62 lb/USg</td>
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<td>Partitioning coefficient n-octanol/water (log Pow)</td>
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<td>Solubility in water</td>
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### 10. Stability and Reactivity

**Substances to avoid:**
strong acids, strong bases, strong oxidizing agents

**Hazardous reactions:**
The product is stable if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

**Decomposition products:**
Thermal decomposition products: carbon oxides

**Oxidizing properties:**
Based on its structural properties the product is not classified as oxidizing.

### 11. Toxicological information

**Carcinogenicity**

Information on: solvent naphtha
The substance caused cancer in animal studies.

**Other Information:**
Based on our experience and the information available, no adverse health effects are expected if handled as recommended with suitable precautions for designated uses. The product has not been tested. The statements on toxicology have been derived from products of a similar structure and composition.

### 12. Ecological Information

**Other adverse effects:**
Ecological data are not available. Do not allow to enter soil, waterways or waste water channels.
13. Disposal considerations

Waste disposal of substance:
Recommendations: Use excess product in an alternate beneficial application. Dispose of in accordance with national, state and local regulations.

Container disposal:
Contaminated packaging should be emptied as far as possible; then it can be passed on for recycling after being thoroughly cleaned.

14. Transport Information

Reference Bill of Lading

15. Regulatory Information

Federal Regulations
OSHA hazard category: Chronic target organ effects reported; ACGIH TLV established; Flammable Liquid; Explosive.

EPCRA 311/312 (Hazard categories): Acute; Chronic; Fire; Sudden release of pressure

State regulations
State RTK | CAS Number | Chemical name
---------|------------|-----------------|
MA 540-88-5 | tert-butyl acetate

CA Prop. 65:
THIS PRODUCT CONTAINS A CHEMICAL(S) KNOWN TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO CAUSE CANCER AND BIRTH DEFECTS OR OTHER REPRODUCTIVE HARM.

16. Other Information

HMIS III rating
Health: 2 Flammability: 3 Physical hazard: 0

NFPA and HMIS use a numbering scale ranging from 0 to 4 to indicate the degree of hazard. A value of zero means that the substance possesses essentially no hazard; a rating of four indicates extreme danger. Although similar, the two rating systems are intended for different purposes, and use different criteria. The NFPA system was developed to provide an on-the-spot alert to the hazards of a material, and their severity, to emergency responders. The HMIS system was designed to communicate workplace hazard information to employees who handle hazardous chemicals.

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