



FRANCIS DRILLING FLUIDS, LTD.

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

I. PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Trade Name(s): Product FLR-A	
Generic Name(s): Asphalt	
Chemical Name(s):Asphaltic Bitumen	
Francis Drilling Fluids, LTD. P.O. Box 1694 Crowley, LA 70527-1694	Emergency/Telephone No.: 800-960-6610 337-783-8685 Hazardous Materials No.: 800-255-3924 Poison Control Center No.: 800-256-9822

II. HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

Ingredient	CAS No.	%	Hazard
None			

III. NFPA/HMIS HAZARD IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

0=LEAST	1=SLIGHT	2=MODERATE	3=HIGH	4 =EXTREME
Health: 1				
Fire: 0				
Reactivity: 0				

IV. PHYSICAL DATA

Boiling Point (°F): Variable	Specific Gravity (H ₂ O=1): 0.82 gm/cm ³
Vapor Pressure (mm. Hg): NA	Melting Point: ND
Vapor Density (Air = 1): NA	Evaporation Rate: ND
Solubility in Water: Insoluble	pH: ND
Density (at 20° C): NA	Odor: Typical asphaltic odor
Appearance: Black powder	

V. FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

Flash Point: +200°F (PMCC)	Flammable Limits: LEL: ND UEL: ND
Special Fire Fighting Procedures: Due to nature of product, fire may be difficult to contain.	
Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards: May explode if ignited while suspended in air.	
Extinguishing Media: Water spray, carbon dioxide, dry or chemical foam are safe to use.	

VI. REACTIVITY

Stability: Stable

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

Incompatibility: Strong oxidizers

Hazardous Decomposition: Oxides of carbon, nitrogen, and sulfur.

VII. HEALTH HAZARD INFORMATION

Routes of Exposure and Effects:

Skin: No adverse effects anticipated.

Eyes: May cause ocular irritation.

Inhalation: May cause slight respiratory irritation.

Ingestion: No adverse effects anticipated.

Permissible Exposure Limits: (for air contaminants) ND

OSHA PEL (8hr. TWA): ND

ACGIH TLV: ND

Carcinogenicity:

Listed By NTP: Not listed

Listed By: IARC: Not listed

Listed By OSHA: Not listed

Acute Oral LD50:

Acute Dermal LD50:

Aquatic Toxicology LC50:

Emergency and First Aid Procedures:

Skin: Wash off with soap and water.

Eyes: Irrigate for several minutes with warm water holding back eyelids to ensure complete removal of product.

Ingestion: No first aid anticipated.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. If symptoms develop, consult a physician.

Additional Health Hazard Information::

VIII. HANDLING AND USE PRECAUTIONS

Steps to be Taken if Material is Released or Spilled: Remove via grading. Hose area with water.

Waste Disposal Methods: Suitable for landfill, according to applicable laws.

Handling and Storage Precautions: Do not store near excessive heat or flame. Never handle in areas with inadequate ventilation.

IX. INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE CONTROL MEASURES

Ventilation Requirements: Local or mechanical (general) recommended.

Respirator: Wear dust mask when airborne dust concentration is high.

Eye Protection: Dust goggles.	
Gloves: Cotton gloves.	
Other Protective Clothing or Equipment: Wear full length clothing.	
X. SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS	
XI. ENVIRONMENTAL/SAFETY REGULATION	
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	
Shipping Name: Not regulated	Hazard Class: Nonhazardous
Hazardous Substance: None	
Cautionary Labeling: None	
NA=Not Applicable; ND=Not Determined or No Data	Date Prepared: August 4, 1995

File Name: Asphalt

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