

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

Luting Sand



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## SECTION 1: PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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**PRODUCT NAME:** Luting Sand  
**SYNONYMS:** Luting Compound, Clay, Packing Sand

**MANUFACTURER:** **ORGO-THERMIT, Inc.**  
**DIVISION:** **A Member of the Goldschmidt-Thermit-Group**  
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**CHEMICAL NAME:** Not applicable

**CHEMICAL FAMILY:** Not applicable

**CHEMICAL FORMULA:** Not applicable

**PRODUCT USE:** Non-hazardous solid, field welding consumable to seal a mold and rail surface.

**PREPARED BY:** Orgo-Thermit, Inc.

### SECTION 1 NOTES:

Manufactured as a pre-mixed (moist) granular sand, clay, and water mixture.

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## SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:

Long term exposure to the product is not thought to produce chronic effects adverse to the health. Nevertheless, exposure by all routes should be minimized. Molten material may cause thermal burns. Molten steel is hazardous.

### MATERIAL DESCRIPTION:

The product shipped will consist entirely of a mixture of sand, clay, and water; with little or no respirable dust present.

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## SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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INGREDIENT	CAS NO.	% WT
Crystalline Silica	14808-60-7	proprietary
Bentonite	1302-78-9	proprietary
Water	7732-18-5	proprietary

### SECTION 3 NOTES:

Weight percentages are considered trade secrets, and thus, are not disclosed.

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## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

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### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

#### EYE CONTACT:

Not normally a hazard due to physical form of product. Dust may produce eye discomfort and abrasive eye inflammation. Scratching of the cornea can occur if eye is rubbed. Contact with the heated material will cause thermal burns.

#### SKIN CONTACT:

Not normally a hazard due to physical form of product. Dry skin could result, leading to a possibility of dermatitis. Best practice is to keep exposure to a minimum and wear gloves. Contact with heated material will cause thermal burns.

#### INGESTION:

Toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully investigated.

#### INHALATION:

Not normally a hazard due to physical form of product. Dust may be discomforting. Best practice is to limit exposure, as crystalline silica does pose a considerable hazard with respect to long term inhalation.

### FIRST AID TREATMENT

#### EYE CONTACT:

In case of overexposure to dust or fumes, immediately flush eye with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes; occasionally lifting the eyelids. Remove contact lenses if present, and continue flushing eyes. Get medical attention if irritation persists. Thermal burns should be treated as medical emergencies.

#### SKIN CONTACT:

In case of overexposure to dust or particulates, wash with soap and plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. If thermal burn occurs, seek immediate medical attention.

#### INGESTION:

Not considered an ingestion hazard. However, if excessive amounts of dust or particulates are swallowed, treat symptomatically and supportively. Get medical attention.

#### INHALATION:

In case of overexposure to dust or fumes, move to fresh air. Loosen tight clothing such as collar, tie, belt, or waistband. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Any breathing difficulty should be evaluated by a medical professional.

### NOTES TO PHYSICIANS OR FIRST AID PROVIDERS:

Treat symptomatically and supportively.

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## SECTION 5: FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**FLAMMABLE LIMITS:** Not available.

**FLASH POINT:** Not available.

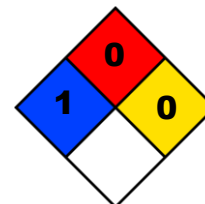
**AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE:** Not available.

**NFPA HAZARD CLASSIFICATION**

**HEALTH:** 1                      **FLAMMABILITY:** 0                      **REACTIVITY:** 0

**OTHER:** None

**Note:** NFPA classifications are 0 - 4, with 4 as the most severe.



**HMIS HAZARD CLASSIFICATION**

**HEALTH:** 1                      **FLAMMABILITY:** 0                      **REACTIVITY:** 0

**PROTECTION:** Safety glasses, gloves, dust respirator recommended.

**Note:** HMIS classifications are 0 - 4, with 4 as the most severe.

HMIS	
<b>HEALTH</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>FLAMMABILITY</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>REACTIVITY</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>PPE</b>	<b>E</b>

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:**

Noncombustible solid. Product is not flammable, combustible, nor explosive. Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

**SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:**

Product itself does not burn. As with any fire, Fire fighters should wear full fire fighting turn-out gear and respiratory protection (self contained breathing apparatus).

**UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:**

Not applicable.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:**

None known.

## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES:**

Sweep material into a disposal container. Avoid generation of dust cloud. Avoid inhalation. Use dustless and/or non-dust generating methods for clean up, such as vacuum or broom. In the event of large spills, the use of water is not advised. Bentonite, one of the components on this product, can become very slippery when wet.

**SECTION 6 NOTES:**

Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8. While cleaning, use a NIOSH/MSHA approved respirator for dust.

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## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### HANDLING:

Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid inhalation and ingestion.

### STORAGE:

Store in a cool, dry area.

### OTHER PRECAUTIONS:

DO NOT USE material that got wet for rail welding. While water does not affect the luting sand itself, the addition of water to the Thermit<sup>®</sup> reaction can result in violent reactions. Since the intended use for the luting sand is to shape the Thermit<sup>®</sup> steel and prevent run-outs, it is recommended to dispose of wet materials.

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

INGREDIENT	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH
Crystalline Silica	0.025 mg / m <sup>3</sup>	0.12 mg / m <sup>3</sup> (total)	0.05 mg / m <sup>3</sup>

### ENGINEERING CONTROLS:

This product, luting sand, is intended to be used in conjunction with Thermit<sup>®</sup> Welding Powder. When using Thermit<sup>®</sup> Welding Powder, preventive fire protection measures should be employed to protect surrounding areas from catching fire. Depending on proximity and wind conditions, sparks could catch nearby items on fire. It is recommended to keep a fire extinguisher and water supply nearby.

### VENTILATION :

Use local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls, to keep airborne levels below the recommended exposure limits. During manufacturing, bag houses (dust collectors) should be utilized to remove dust.

### RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:

Use a NIOSH/MSHA approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded, or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

### EYE PROTECTION:

Safety glasses should be used when handling this product. When igniting Thermit<sup>®</sup> Welding Powder, shade 5 welding eye protection is recommended until the welding process is completed.

### SKIN PROTECTION:

Wear appropriate protective clothing, shoes, and gloves to prevent skin exposure. When igniting Thermit<sup>®</sup> Welding Powder, protect skin from high temperatures. Welding gloves, jackets, pants, bibs, or aprons are recommended for use during the welding process.

### OTHER PROTECTIVE CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT:

Face shields and hard hats are used to protect users from sparks during the welding and grinding processes.

### SECTION 8 NOTES:

Information concerning hazardous exposure limits has been compiled from sources considered to be reliable and is accurate and reputable to the best of our knowledge and belief but is not guaranteed to be so.

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## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>APPEARANCE:</b>	Brown – yellow sand mixture
<b>ODOR:</b>	Odorless
<b>PHYSICAL STATE:</b>	Solid
<b>pH AS SUPPLIED:</b>	6-8
<b>BOILING POINT:</b>	4046°F / 2230°C
<b>MELTING POINT:</b>	3110°F / 1710°C
<b>FREEZING POINT:</b>	Not Available
<b>VAPOR PRESSURE (mmHg):</b>	Not Available
<b>VAPOR DENSITY (AIR = 1):</b>	Not Available
<b>SPECIFIC GRAVITY (H<sub>2</sub>O = 1):</b>	2.65 g/mL @ 20°C
<b>EVAPORATION RATE:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>SOLUBILITY IN WATER:</b>	Insoluble
<b>WEIGHT PERCENT SOLIDS:</b>	100% Solids
<b>PERCENT VOLATILE:</b>	Not Available
<b>MOLECULAR WEIGHT:</b>	Not Available
<b>VISCOSITY:</b>	Not Available

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**STABILITY:**  **STABLE**  **UNSTABLE**

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID (STABILITY):** Does not spontaneously ignite.

**INCOMPATIBILITY (MATERIAL TO AVOID):** Hydrofluoric acid.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION OR BY-PRODUCTS:** Silica will dissolve in hydrofluoric acid and produce a corrosive gas, silicon tetrafluoride.

**HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:** Will not occur.

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID (POLYMERIZATION):** Not applicable.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### ROUTES OF ENTRY:

Crystalline silica is a non-toxic material having no known adverse health effects from ingestion. It does pose considerable hazards with respect to long term inhalation.

### CHRONIC EFFECTS ON HUMANS:

Inhalation of respirable crystalline silica may result in silicosis. The respirable silica dust enters the lungs and causes the formation of scar tissue, thus reducing the lungs capability to take in oxygen. There is no cure for silicosis. Silica, Crystalline (Respirable Size) is listed on the National Toxicology Program Report on Carcinogens and on the International Agency Research on Cancer Monographs as a Group 1 human lung carcinogen. The IARC has determined from a review of human and animal studies that there is sufficient evidence for the carcinogenicity of crystalline silica.

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## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION (cont.)

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### OTHER TOXIC EFFECTS ON HUMANS:

The substance can be slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant). Material can be irritating to mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.

### TOXICITY TO ANIMALS:

Silica sand has caused cancer in animals with the target organ being the lungs.

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## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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**ECOTOXICITY (AQUATIC AND TERRESTRIAL):** Ecological impact has not been determined.

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## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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### WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD:

Check with all applicable local, regional, and national laws and regulations. Local regulations may be more stringent than regional or national regulation. It is the responsibility of the user to dispose of the material in the proper manner.

### RCRA HAZARD CLASS:

None listed.

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## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**PROPER SHIPPING NAME:** LUTING SAND  
**HAZARD CLASS:** NOT APPLICABLE  
**ID NUMBER:** 90220  
**PACKING GROUP:** NOT APPLICABLE  
**LABEL STATEMENT:** ITEM#90220 CLASS 50

### WATER TRANSPORTATION

**PROPER SHIPPING NAME:** LUTING SAND  
**HAZARD CLASS:** NOT APPLICABLE  
**ID NUMBER:** 90220  
**PACKING GROUP:** NOT APPLICABLE  
**LABEL STATEMENTS:** ITEM#90220 CLASS 50

### AIR TRANSPORTATION

**PROPER SHIPPING NAME:** LUTING SAND  
**HAZARD CLASS:** NOT APPLICABLE  
**ID NUMBER:** 90220  
**PACKING GROUP:** NOT APPLICABLE  
**LABEL STATEMENTS:** ITEM#90220 CLASS 50

**CANADA TDG:** Not regulated.

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## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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### U.S. FEDERAL REGULATIONS

**EPCRA Section 302 – Extremely Hazardous Substances:**

None listed.

**CERCLA - Hazardous Substances:**

None listed.

**EPCRA Section 313 – Toxic Chemicals:**

None listed.

**CAA 112(r) - Regulated Chemicals for Accidental Release Prevention:**

None listed.

**EPA TSCA Section 8(b) – Chemical Inventory:**

CAS # 14808-60-7, Quartz (SiO<sub>2</sub>), is on the list.

CAS # 1302-78-9, Bentonite, is on the list.

### STATE REGULATIONS:

**New Jersey Right to Know Hazardous Substance List:**

CAS # 14808-60-7, Silica - Quartz, is on the list.

**California Proposition 65 List of Chemicals:**

Crystalline silica is on the list.

### INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS:

The product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations. The Safety Data Sheet contains all the information required by the Controlled Products Regulations.

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## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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**PREPARATION INFORMATION:** Last revised September 20, 2013.

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