# Limeco, Inc.

## **Material Safety Data Sheet**

### 1. Product and Company Identification

Product Name: Quicklime Synonyms: Calcium Oxide, CaO Company Identification:

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# 2. Composition/Information on

#### **Ingredients**

Component CAS# Exposure Limit

Calcium oxide 1305-78-8 OSHA PEL: 5 mg/m3 ACGIH TLV: 2 mg/m3

Magnesium Oxide 1309-48-4 OSHA PEL: 10 mg/m3 ACGIH TLV: 10 mg/m3

Crystalline Silica 14808-60-7 OSHA PEL: 20 mg/m3 (divided)

ACGIH TLV: 0.1 mg/m3

**OSHA Regulatory Status:** This material is subject to 29 CFR 1910.1200 (Hazard Communication).

#### 3. Hazards Identification

Emergency Overview: Quicklime is an odorless white or grayish-white material that ranges from an aggregate size to a granular powder. Contact can cause irritation to eyes, skin, respiratory system, and gastrointestinal tract. Quicklime reacts violently with water, releasing heat which may ignite combustible materials in certain instances. Potential Health Effects

Eyes: Contact can cause severe irritation or burning of the eyes, including permanent damage. Skin: Contact can cause severe irritation or burning of skin, especially in the presence of moisture. Ingestion: This product can cause severe irritation or burning of the gastrointestinal tract if swallowed. Inhalation: This product can cause irritation of the respiratory system. Long-term exposure may cause permanent damage. Quicklime is not listed by MSHA, OSHA, or IARC as carcinogen, but this product may contain trace amounts of crystalline silica in the form of quartz or crytobalite, which has been classified by IARC as (Group I) carcinogenic to humans when inhaled. Inhalation of silica can also cause a chronic lung disorder, silicosis.

**Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure:** Contact may aggravate disorders of eyes, skin, gastrointestinal tract, and respiratory system.

Potential Environmental Issues: This material is alkaline and if released into water or moist soil will cause an increase in pH.

#### 4. First Aid Measures

Eyes: Immediately flush eyes with generous amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Pull back the eyelid to

ensure that all lime dust has been washed out. Seek medical attention immediately. Do not rub eyes.

**Skin:** Wash exposed area with large amounts of water. Seek medical attention immediately.

**Ingestion:** Do not induce vomiting. Seek medical attention immediately. Never give anything by mouth unless instructed to do so by medical personnel.

**Inhalation:** Move victim to fresh air. Seek medical attention if necessary. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration.

#### 5. Fire Fighting Measures

**Fire Hazards:** Quicklime is not combustible or flammable. However, quicklime reacts violently with water, and may release heat sufficient to ignite combustible materials in certain instances. Quicklime is not considered to be an explosion hazard, although reaction with water or other incompatible materials may rupture containers.

#### Hazardous Combustion Products: None

**Extinguishing Media:** Use dry chemical fire extinguisher. Do not use water or halogenated compounds, except that large amounts of water may be used to deluge small quantities of quicklime.

**Fire Fighting Instructions:** Keep personnel away from and upwind of fire. Wear full fire-fighting turn-out gear (full Bunker gear), and respiratory protection (SCBA).

#### 6. Accidental Release Measure:

Spill/Leak Procedure: Do NOT use water on bulk material spills. Lime reacts violently with water, releasing heat. Use proper protective equipment. Small Spills: Use dry method to collect spilled materials. Avoid generation of dust. Do not clean up materials with compressed air. Store collected materials in dry, sealed plastic or metal containers. Residue on surfaces may be water washed. Large Spills: Use dry methods to collect spilled materials. Evacuate area downwind of clean-up operations to minimize dust exposure. Store spilled materials in dry, sealed plastic or metal containers. Containment: For large spills, as much as possible, avoid the generation of dusts. Prevent release to sewers or waterways. Cleanup: Residual amounts of material can be flushed with large amounts of water. Equipment can be washed with either a mild vinegar solution, or detergent and water.

#### 7. Handling and Storage:

**Handling:** Keep in tightly closed containers. Protect containers from physical damage. Avoid direct skin contact with the material. **Storage:** Store in a cool, dry, and well-ventilated location. Do not store near incompatible materials. Keep away from moisture. Do not store or ship in aluminum containers.

# 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:** Provide ventilation adequate to maintain PELs.

Respiratory Protection: Use NIOSH/MSHA approved respirators if airborne concentrations exceed PEL. Skin Protection: Use appropriate gloves to protect skin contact. Clothing should fully cover arms and

Eye Protection: Use safety glasses with side shields or safety goggles. Contact lenses should not be worn when working with lime products.

Other: Eye wash fountain and emergency showers are recommended.

#### Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance: White or gravish-white material

Odor: Odorless Physical State: Solid

Boiling Point: 5162°F, 2850°C Melting Point: 4568°F, 2570°C

Vapor Pressure: N/A Vapor Density: N/A Specific Gravity: 3.2-3.4

Solubility in Water: Negligible, but reacts with water

to produce calcium hydroxide and heat.

pH at 25 degrees C: 12.45

#### Stability and Reactivity

Stability: Chemically stable, but reacts violently

water to form calcium hydroxide, generating heat.

also Incompatibility below.

Incompatibility/Conditions to Avoid: Quicklime should not be mixed with or stored with the following

materials, due to potential for violent reaction and

release of heat:

WATER(unless in a controlled process)

**ACIDS** 

REACTIVE FLUORIDATED COMPOUNDS REACTIVE BROMINATED COMPOUNDS

**REACTIVE POWDERED METALS ORGANIC ACID ANHYDRIDES** 

NITRO-ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

REACTIVE PHOSHOROUS COMPOUNDS

INTERHALOGENTAED COMPOUNDS

Hazardous Decomposition Products: None

Hazardous Polymerization: None

#### 11. Toxicological Information;

No LD50/LC50 have been identified for this product's components. Quicklime is not listed by MSHA, OSHA, or IARC as a carcinogen, but this product may contain trace amounts of crystalline silica, which has been classified by IARC as (Group I) carcinogenic to humans when inhaled in the form of quartz or crystobalite.

#### 12. Ecological Information;

Ecotoxicity: Because of the high pH of this product, it would be expected to produce significant ecotoxicity upon exposure to aquatic organisms and aquatic systems in high concentrations. Environmental Fate: This material shows no bioaccumulation effect or food chain concentration toxicity.

## 13. Disposal Considerations:

Dispose of in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local environmental regulations. If this product as supplied, and unmixed, becomes a waste, it will not meet the criteria of a hazardous waste as defined under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

### Transportation Information:

When being transported by air, quicklime is classified in the Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations as a hazardous material. (40 CFR 172.101. For aircraft transportation only, Calcium Oxide is classified as Hazard Class 8-Corrosive, UN1910, Packing Group III. For passenger aircraft, the maximum net quantity allowed per container is 25 kg. For cargo aircraft, the maximum net quantity allowed per container is 100 kg. For quantities greater than 25 kg up to and including 100 kg, the container shall be labeled with CARGO AIRCRAFT ONLY.) Because express carriers (i.e., Federal Express, Airborne Express, and United Parcel Service) ship by air, quicklime presented to these carriers for shipment must be packaged, marked, and labeled in accordance with IATA requirements, and must be accompanied by the appropriated shipping documentation. Only personnel trained and certified under applicable DOT Hazardous Materials Regulations (contained in Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations) may prepare any quicklime product for air transport. Quicklime is not classified as a hazardous material by DOT when transported by means other than by air.

#### 15. **Regulatory Information:**

**EPA Regulations:** 

RCRA Hazardous Waste Number: not listed (40 CFR 261.33)

**RCRA Hazardous Waste Classification (40 CFR** 261): not classified

CERCLA Hazardous Substance (40 CFR 302.4) unlisted specific per RCRA, Sec.3001; CWA, Sec.311 (b)(4); CWA Sec.307(a), CAA, Sec.112 CERCLA Reportable Quantity (RQ), not listed

SARA 311/312 Codes: not listed

SARA Toxic Chemical (40 CFR 372.65): not listed SARA EHS (Extremely Hazardous Substance) (40 CFR 355): Not listed, Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ): not listed

All chemical ingredients are listed on the USEPA TSCA Inventory List.

OSHA/ MSHA Regulations:

Air Contaminant (29 CFR 1910.1000, Table 2-1, Z-1A): 5 mg/m3 TWA-8

MSHA: not listed

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substance (29 CFR 1910) not listed

State Regulations: Consult sate and local authorities for guidance.

#### 16. Other Information:

HMIS: Health Risks 3, Ftammability 0, Reactivity 1, Personal Protection, E

NFPA: Health Hazard 3, Rre Hazard 0, Reactivity 1 WHMIS Classification: "E" Corrosive Materials WHMIS Classification: "D2A" Materials causing other toxic effect