

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION I - IDENTIFICATION

**Company Name:** St. Marys Carbon Company **Telephone:** (814) 781-7333  
**Address:** 1939 State Street **Prepared by:** Phil Schlosser  
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**Product Name:** CARBON/GRAPHITE PRODUCTS WITH METALLIC ADDITIVES

**Chemical Name:** MIXTURE

**Date Prepared:** 01/02/03

**Replaces:** 01/21/02

<u>Hazard Rating</u>				
Least	Slight	Moderate	High	Extreme
0	1	2	3	4

Reactivity = 0

## SECTION II - HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

INGREDIENT	PERCENT	C.A.S. NO.
CARBON/GRAPHITE, NATURAL	Trade Secret	7740-44-0/7782-42-5
*SILICA, CRYSTALLINE QUARTZ	Not Determined	14808-60-7
COPPER	32-88%	7440-50-8

## SECTION III - OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS

**OSHA PEL:** Copper - 1mg/cubic meter (dust), 0.1mg/cubic meter (fume)  
Graphite -2.5 mg/cubic meter (respirable)  
Silica - 0.1 mg/cubic meter (respirable)

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**ACGIH TLV:** Copper - 1mg/cubic meter  
Graphite -2 mg/cubic meter (respirable)  
Silica - 0.1 mg/cubic meter (respirable)

**CARCINOGEN:** NTP - no IARC - \*yes OSHA - no

"The product is a solid electrical component ranging from dark grey to copper or metallic color and presents no immediate hazards. However, dust created in shipping, handling, and use may exhibit the hazards of the ingredients as described below. AVOID CREATING AND BREATING DUST FROM THE PRODUCT. Burning of the product may release toxic metallic oxides and irritating vapors."

## SECTION IV - HEALTH HAZARDS

**Effects of exposure:** Prolonged and repeated overexposure to dust may lead to pneumoconiosis. Dust particles may cause mechanical irritation to the eyes and skin. Individuals with pre-existing chronic respiratory impairment may be at increased risk of pneumoconiosis.

Copper compounds can irritate skin and eyes. Prolonged exposure to skin can cause dermatitis. Embedded particles in eyes can cause inflammation, degeneration of tissues and discoloration. Inhalation of fine dusts can cause metal fume fever (with flu-like symptoms). Ingestion can cause gastrointestinal irritation. Persons with Wilson's disease should not be exposed to copper.

## SECTION V - EMPLOYEE PROTECTION

**Respiratory Protection:** NIOSH approved respirator for dust if exposures are expected to exceed the PELs.

**Eye Protection:** Safety glasses with side shields if there is a danger of flying particles.

**Protective Gloves:** Recommended for those with extreme sensitivity.

**Other Protective Equipment:** Eye-wash fountain, soap and water wash station.

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**Ventilation:** At point of operation if machining or other dust-creating activities are performed.

## SECTION VI - FIRST AID

**Skin Contact:** Wash affected area with soap and water especially before eating, smoking, and at the end of work shift.

**Eye Contact:** Do not rub eyes; immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician if irritation persists.

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air and administer artificial respiration if breathing has stopped; oxygen may also be administered. Seek medical attention.

**Ingestion:** Dilute with water or milk. Get medical attention as soon as possible.

## SECTION VII - FIRE EXPLOSION DATA

**Flash Point (method used):** Does not flash

**Flammable Limits:** N/A                      **LEL:**                      **UEL:**

**Extinguishing Media:** Water fog, carbon dioxide, foam.

**Special Fire Fighting Procedures:** Use self-contained breathing apparatus.

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Copper powder below 50 um particle size is listed as weakly explosive. Carbon/Graphite dusts may weakly contribute if the event is initiated by another explosive dust or gas.

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## SECTION VIII - SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

**Precautions for Handling and Storing:** Handle in a manner which minimizes airborne dust.

**Other Precautions:** Graphite dust is electrically conductive; dust accumulations may cause electrical short circuits or other malfunctions.

## SECTION IX - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

**Spill or Leak Procedures:** Normal housekeeping practices; sweep, shovel, or vacuum clean-up with a HEPA filter.

**Waste Disposal Method:** Dispose of according to local, state, and federal regulations.

## SECTION X - PHYSICAL DATA

<b>Boiling Point (C)</b>	:	1725
<b>Vapor Pressure (mm Hg)</b>	:	N/A
<b>Specific Gravity (H<sub>2</sub>O=1)</b>	:	6.1-6.3
<b>Vapor Density (Air=1)</b>	:	N/A
<b>Evaporation Rate (Butyl Alcohol=1)</b>	:	N/A
<b>Solubility in Water</b>	:	Insoluble
<b>Percent Volatile by Volume</b>	:	N/A
<b>Appearance / Odor</b>	:	Reddish, orange solid / no odor

## SECTION XI - REACTIVITY DATA

[ ] Unstable [ • ] Stable

Hazardous

Polymerization: [ ] May Occur [ • ] Will not occur

**Conditions and Materials to Avoid:** Strong alkalis, chlorates, bromates, mineral acids.

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**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** May yield hydrogen and noxious copper compounds, carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide gases.

## SECTION XII - SECTION 313 SUPPLIER NOTIFICATION

This product contains the following toxic chemicals subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act of 1986 and of 40 CFR 372:

<u>CAS #</u>	<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>Percent by Weight</u>
7440-50-8	Copper	88 Max.

## SECTION XIII - REFERENCES

**ACGIH:** Documentation of Threshold Limit Values

**OSHA:** 29 CFR 1910.1000, Table Z-1

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