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SECTION 1: Title and scope of exposure scenario (ES)

1.1   Title exposure scenario (ES)

ES4 Water treatment - industrial use

1.2   Scope of exposure scenario (ES)

ES Type	Worker Exposure Scenario for substance/mixture
Life cycle stage	Industrial end use

Product identifier

Trade name	Methanol
Substance name	methanol
REACH registration no.	01-2119433307-44
CAS no.	67-56-1
EC no.	200-659-6

Use descriptors

Sector of use (SU)		
Category	Code	Use description
Main user group	SU3	Industrial uses
Environmental release category (ERC)		
Category	Code	Use description
Environmental release category (ERC)	ERC7	Industrial use of substances in closed systems
Process category (PROC)		
Category	Code	Use description
Process category (PROC)	PROC2	Use in closed, continuous process with occasional controlled exposure

SECTION 2: Operational conditions (OC) and risk management measures (RMM) controlling exposure towards environment and men

2.1   Product characteristics

State of aggregation		
liquid		
Reference temperature	25	°C

Dustiness
Not applicable

Vapour pressure		
Value	169.27	hPa
Reference temperature	25	°C

Other information
The efficiency of a risk management measure is a theoretical value. The efficiency describes to which extend (in percent) the calculated exposure can be diminished by applying a certain measure. If the described operational conditions and risk management measures are fulfilled by a downstream user, the efficiency as highlighted in the ES can be applied. A downstream user might check whether the efficiency of the LEV or general ventilation corresponds to his site.
For further instructions related to "Personal protective equipment" please refer to section 8 of the Safety Data Sheet.

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2.2 Contributing scenario controlling environmental exposure

Affected environmental release category (ERC)		
Category	Code	Use description
Environmental release category (ERC)	ERC7	Industrial use of substances in closed systems

Risk management measures (RMM) controlling environmental exposure

Technical measures and efficiency of the risk managment measures (in exposure calculation model)
No special measures are required.

Organisational measures
No special measures are required.

Measures related to wastewater treatment and efficiency of the risk managment measures (in exposure calculation model)
No special measures are required.

Measures related to waste treatment
For further instructions related to waste management please refer to section 13 of the Safety Data Sheet.

Further measures	
ERC7	No special measures are required.

2.3 Contributing scenario controlling worker exposure

Affected process category (PROC)		
Category	Code	Use description
Process category (PROC)	PROC2	Use in closed, continuous process with occasional controlled exposure

Operational conditions controlling worker exposure

Concentration of substance			
	PROC2		
Value	≤ 100 %		

Amounts used			
	PROC2		
	Not relevant		

Use conditions			
	PROC2		
Location of use	Indoor use		
Duration of use	≤ 8 hours/day		
Frequency of use	≤ 240 days/year		

Risk management measures (RMM) controlling worker exposure

Technical measures and efficiency of the risk managment measures (in exposure calculation model)		
PROC2	Measures	Handle only at a place with local exhaust system (or another appropriate exhaust).
	Efficiency (%)	90

Organisational measures
No special measures are required.

Personal protective equipment and efficiency of the risk managment measures (in exposure calculation model)

Hand protection		
PROC2	Measures	Wear suitable gloves tested to EN374.
	Efficiency (%)	80

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SECTION 3: Exposure estimation and reference to sources

3.1 Advice

The Risk Characterization Ratio (RCR) is the quotient of predicted human/environmental exposure and the related DNEL/PNEC. Exposure is calculated based on exposure models as stated below. If RCR ≤ 1 a use is considered as safe under operational conditions and risk management measures as specified in the exposure szenario.

For DNEL/PNEC values please refer to section 8 of the safety data sheet.

3.2 Exposure estimation - Environment

Affected environmental release category (ERC)		
Category	Code	Use description
Environmental release category (ERC)	ERC7	Industrial use of substances in closed systems

Used exposure estimation model for calculation of environmental exposure	
Used exposure estimation model	As no environmental hazard was identified no environmental-related exposure assessment and risk characterization was performed.

3.3 Exposure estimation - Worker

Affected process category (PROC)		
Category	Code	Use description
Process category (PROC)	PROC2	Use in closed, continuous process with occasional controlled exposure

Used exposure estimation model for calculation of worker exposure	
Used exposure estimation model	EasyTRA Version 3.0
Link to exposure estimation tool	EASY TRA: http://www.easytra.de

Risk characterisation ratio (RCR)				
	Exposure estimation	inhalative	dermal	total
PROC2	Long-term systemic	0.012	0.007	0.019
	Short-term systemic	0.051	0.007	0.058

SECTION 4: Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

4.1 Recommendations and advice

Recommendations and general advice

- For additional instructions relating to adaptation of conditions of use in view of a scaling, pls. see the "ECHA Guidance for downstream users" http://echa.europa.eu/regulations/reach/downstream-users
If a downstream user uses the substance/preparation differently than stated in the ES (different operational conditions and/or risk management measures), he has the possibility to vary certain parameters of the exposure assessment. With the help of easy calculations he can check whether he still operates under safe circumstances. This process is called Scaling.

Scaling advice

Type of ventilation
If the type of ventilation at the use site of a downstream user (DU) differs from the instructions in the ES, a linear correlation between the RCR (Inhalation) and the type of ventilation exists. Following scaling factors (f) apply: General ventilation (< 3 air changes per hour) =1; good general ventilation (3 to 5 air changes per hour, corresponds to outdoor use) = 0,7; enhanced general ventilation (> 5 air changes per hour) = 0,3.
RCR (DU) = f(DU) * RCR (as stated in ES) / f (type of ventilation stated in ES)
In the same manner a scaling for the efficiency of the local extract ventilation (LEV) can by applied.

Duration of use
If the duration of the use by a worker at a downstream user (DU) site differs from the instructions in the ES, a linear correlation between the RCR (Inhalation) and the duration of use exist. Following scaling factors (f) apply: duration > 4 hours/day = 1; duration: 1-4 hours/day = 0,6; duration: 15 min/day – 1 hour/day = 0,2; duration < 15 min/day = 0,1.
RCR (DU) = f(DU) * RCR (as stated in ES) / f (duration in ES)

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Concentration of the substance in the product

If the downstream user (DU) uses the substance in a different concentration than the one stated in the ES, a linear correlation between the RCR (Inhalation)and the RCR (dermal) and the concentration exists. Following scaling factors (f) apply: Concentration >25% =1; concentration >= 5% = 0,6; concentration >= 1% = 0,2; concentration < 1% = 0,1. RCR (DU) = f(DU) * RCR (as stated in ES) / f (concentration in ES).

4.2   Exposure estimation - Environment

Used exposure estimation model for calculation of environmental exposure	
Used exposure estimation model	As no environmental hazard was identified no environmental-related exposure assessment and risk characterization was performed.

4.3   Exposure estimation - Worker

Used exposure estimation model for calculation of worker exposure	
Used exposure estimation model	EasyTRA Version 3.0
Link to exposure estimation tool	EASY TRA: http://www.easytra.de