

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## ferti-lome® Weed-Free Zone

DATED: June 13, 2003

### SECTION 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**NAME:** Voluntary Purchasing Groups, Inc.  
P. O. Box 460, Bonham, Texas 75418

**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE:** (903) 583-5501 or (800) 424-9300 (Chemtrec)

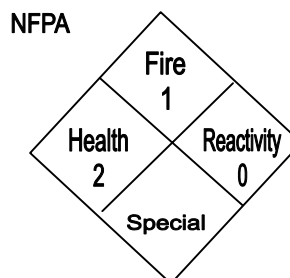
**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:** Product Manager or Chemtrec

**COMMON NAME (USED ON LABEL):** ferti-lome Weed-Free Zone  
EPA# 2217-855-7401

**CHEMICAL STATE:** Liquid

**CHEMICAL TYPE:** Mixture

2	Health
1	Flammability
0	Reactivity
B	Personal Protection



### SECTION 2 - INGREDIENTS

CAS NO.	CHEMICAL NAME	% RANGE	EHS	NTP	IARC	SUB Z	SARA 313	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV	OTHER LIMITS
1928434	2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, isooctyl (2-ethylhexyl) ester	10.49%	N	N	Y	N	Y	NI	NI	NI
1918009	3,6-Dichloro-o-anisic acid (Dicamba)	0.67%	N	N	N	N	Y	NI	NI	NI
128639021	Carfentrazone-ethyl	0.54%	N	N	N	N	N	NI	NI	NI
16484778	R(+)(2-Methyl-4-chlorophenoxy) propionic acid (MCP)	2.66%	N	N	Y	N	N	NI	NI	NI

### SECTION 3 - HAZARDOUS IDENTIFICATION

**HAZARD CATEGORY:** Acute; Chronic.

**HAZARDOUS IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION:** The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) lists chlorophenoxy herbicides in its Group 2B (limited evidence for carcinogenicity in humans.) The U.S. EPA has given the chlorophenoxy herbicides 2,4-D, 2,4-DP, MCP, and MCPA a Class D classification (not classifiable as to human carcinogenicity.) More current 2,4-D lifetime feeding studies in rats and mice did not show carcinogenic effects and a recent World Health Organization (WHO) review of 2,4-D toxicology has concluded that 2,4-D is not a carcinogen.

### SECTION 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

**ROUTE OF ENTRY:** Skin contact, inhalation, ingestion.

**HEALTH HAZARDS (ACUTE AND CHRONIC):**

**EYES:** Moderately irritating to eyes.

**SKIN:** Moderately irritating to the skin.

**INHALATION:** Moderately irritating to the mucous membranes. Inhalation of sprays may cause burning sensations in the respiratory tract, resulting in coughing.

**INGESTION:** May cause vomiting, with pain in the chest and abdomen, and diarrhea.

**SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:** Inhalation may cause burning in the chest, with coughing. Prolonged inhalation sometimes causes dizziness. Ingestion usually leads to vomiting. Pain in the chest and abdomen, and diarrhea may follow. Headache, mental confusion, and bizarre behavior are early manifestations of severe poisoning, which may progress to unconsciousness.

**MEDICAL CONDITIONS GENERALLY AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE:** Individuals with chronic skin disease or known sensitivity to chlorophenoxy compounds should either avoid using them or take strict precautions to avoid contact. (respirator, gloves, etc.)

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**EMERGENCY FIRST AID PROCEDURE:**

- IF SWALLOWED:**
- Call a Poison Control Center or doctor immediately for treatment advice.
  - Do not induce vomiting unless told to by a Poison Control Center or doctor.
  - Do not give any liquid to the person.
  - Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
- IF IN EYES:**
- Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15 - 20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing.
  - Call a Poison Control Center or doctor for treatment advice.
- IF ON SKIN:**
- Take off contaminated clothing.
  - Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15 - 20 minutes
  - Call a Poison Control Center or doctor for treatment advice.
- IF INHALED:**
- Move person to fresh air.
  - If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth if possible.
  - Call a Poison Control Center or doctor for treatment advice.

**OTHER HEALTH WARNINGS:** Have the product container or label with you when calling a Poison Control Center or doctor or going for treatment.

**NOTE TO PHYSICIAN:** Contains petroleum distillate - vomiting may cause aspiration pneumonia.

**SECTION 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

**FLASH POINT:** 199°F      **F. P. METHOD:**  
**LOWER EXPLOSIVE LIMIT:** NI      **UPPER EXPLOSIVE LIMIT:** NI  
**FIRE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Foam, CO2, dry chemical.  
**SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:** Wear positive-pressure breathing apparatus and full protective clothing. Fight fire from maximum distance. Stay up-wind and out of low areas.  
**UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION:** Fire fighting precautions would be the same as those used for any petroleum based oil product. Runoff from fire control area or dilution water may cause pollution. If surface water is contaminated, contact local authorities.

**SECTION 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED:** Do not touch spilled material. See Section 8 for Personal Protective Equipment. Contain and absorb spilled material on Dri-rite, sand or other non-combustible absorbent. Collect into drums; cover and label for disposal. Flush area with water if possible.

**SECTION 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN:** Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal.  
**STORAGE:** Store in original container in a locked storage area. Keep from freezing.

**OTHER PRECAUTIONS:**

**ENGINEERING CONTROL STATEMENTS:**

**Containers Over 1 Gallon And Less Than 5 Gallons:**

Persons engaged in open pouring of this product must also wear coveralls or a chemical resistant apron.

**Containers Of 5 Gallons Or More:**

Do not open-pour product from this container. A mechanical system (such as a probe and pump or spigot) must be used for transferring the contents of this container. If the contents of a non-refillable pesticide container are emptied, the probe must be rinsed before removal.

**SECTION 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**VENTILATION REQUIREMENTS:** Good local ventilation is recommended; mechanical ventilation may be used if exposure limits may be exceeded.

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:**

**CLOTHING REQUIREMENT STATEMENT:** When mixing, loading, or applying this product, wear long-sleeved shirt, long pants, socks, shoes, chemical-resistant gloves and eye protection. It is recommended that safety glasses include front, brow, and temple protection.

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- PERSONAL HYGIENE STATEMENT:** After using this product, rinse gloves before removing, remove clothing and launder separately before reuse, and promptly and thoroughly wash hands and exposed skin with soap and water. Remove saturated clothing as soon as possible and shower.
- PROTECTIVE CLOTHING:** Wear long sleeves and pants; chemical-resistant gloves and shoes with socks.
- EYE PROTECTION:** Safety glasses with side shields or safety goggles.
- RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:** If exposure limits may be exceeded, wear a respirator with an organic-vapor removing cartridge with a prefilter approved for pesticides (MSHA/NIOSH approval number prefix TC-23C), or a NIOSH approved respirator with any R, P or HE filter.

**SECTION 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

<b>BOILING POINT:</b>	>200°F	<b>MELTING POINT:</b>	NI
<b>EVAPORATION RATE (Butyl Acetate = 1):</b>	<1	<b>VAPOR PRESSURE (mm Hg):</b>	NI
<b>VAPOR DENSITY (Air = 1):</b>	NI	<b>SPECIFIC GRAVITY (H2O = 1):</b>	0.89940
<b>SOLUBILITY IN WATER:</b>	Emulsifiable		
<b>APPEARANCE AND ODOR:</b>	Amber liquid, ester odor.		
<b>OTHER INFORMATION:</b>	pH = 2.92 for a 1% aqueous solution. Density = 7.45 pounds/gallon. Freezing point <35°F Viscosity: 2.3 cps @ 25°C		

**SECTION 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

<b>STABILITY:</b>	Stable.
<b>INCOMPATIBILITY (MATERIALS TO AVOID):</b>	None known.
<b>DECOMPOSITION/BY-PRODUCTS:</b>	May produce gases such as HCl, organo chlorides, nitrogen oxides, and carbon monoxide when burning.
<b>HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:</b>	Will not occur.

**SECTION 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

<b>EYES:</b>	Minimally irritating to the eye.
<b>SKIN:</b>	Moderately irritating to the skin. Acute dermal LD50 is greater than 2,000 mg/kg for male and female rabbits. This product is not considered to be a contact sensitizer.
<b>INHALATION:</b>	Acute inhalation LC50 is greater than 2.04 mg/L in male and female rats.
<b>INGESTION:</b>	Acute oral LD50 is greater than 2,000 mg/kg for male and female rats.

**SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Carfentrazone is very toxic to algae and moderately toxic to fish. This product is toxic to aquatic invertebrates. Drift or runoff may adversely affect aquatic invertebrates and nontarget plants. Do not apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark.

Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwater. When cleaning equipment, do not pour the washwater on the ground; spray or drain over a large area away from wells and other water sources.

Most cases of groundwater contamination involving phenoxy herbicides such as 2,4-D and MCPP-p have been associated with mixing, loading and disposal sites. Caution should be exercised when handling 2,4-D and MCPP-p pesticides at such sites to prevent contamination of groundwater supplies. Use of closed systems for mixing or transferring this pesticide will reduce the probability of spills. Placement of the mixing/loading equipment on an impervious pad to contain spills will help prevent groundwater contamination.

**SECTION 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

<b>PESTICIDE DISPOSAL:</b>	Pesticide wastes are acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray mixture, or rinsate is a violation of Federal Law and may contaminate groundwater. If these wastes cannot be disposed of by use according to label instructions, contact your State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency, or the Hazardous Waste Representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance.
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**CONTAINER DISPOSAL:**

**FOR METAL CONTAINERS:** Triple rinse (or equivalent). Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill or by other procedures approved by State and Local authorities.

**FOR PLASTIC CONTAINERS:** Triple rinse (or equivalent). Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or incineration, or if allowed by State and Local authorities by burning. If burned, stay out of smoke.

**SECTION 14 - TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

The following guidelines apply for domestic ground transport. If shipping by air or ocean, please contact our Transportation Department.

**FREIGHT CLASS:** Herbicides, NOI - NMFC #50320

**PROPER SHIPPING NAME:**

**FOR PACKAGE SIZES LESS THAN 196.08 GALLONS:** Product is non-regulated.

**FOR PACKAGE SIZES 196.08 GALLONS OR GREATER:** Environmentally Hazardous Substances, Liquid, N.O.S., 9, UN3082, PGIII, RQ (2,4-D).

If shipped in bulk containers (greater than 196 gallons), this product is a Marine Pollutant.

When shipped as a Hazardous material, label required is Class 9 (Miscellaneous). Placards required on bulk shipments only.

**SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**OSHA STATUS:** This product is hazardous under the criteria of the Federal OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200.

**TSCA STATUS:** This product is exempt from TSCA Regulation under FIFRA Section 3(2)(B)(ii) when used as a pesticide.

**CERCLA REPORTABLE QUANTITY:** 953 pounds of the formulation which contains 100 pounds of 2,4-D 2-ethylhexyl ester.

**SARA TITLE III:**

**SECTION 302 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES:** None.

**SECTION 311/312 HAZARD CATEGORIES:** Immediate Health Hazard, Delayed Health Hazard.

**SECTION 313 TOXIC CHEMICALS:** Dicamba CAS# 1918-00-9, 2,4-D 2-ethylhexyl ester CAS# 1928-43-4

**RCRA STATUS:** When discarded in its purchased form, this product is a listed RCRA hazardous waste and should be managed as a hazardous waste. (40 CFR 261.20-24)

**SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

**NOTE:** NI mean not indicated.

The information and statements in this Material Safety Data Sheet are believed to accurately reflect the scientific evidence used in making the hazard determination, but is not to be construed as a warranty or representation for which we assume legal responsibility. Additional information may be necessary or desirable depending on particular, exceptional or variable conditions or circumstances of use or storage or because of locally applicable laws or government regulations. Therefore, you should use this information only as a supplement to other information available to you and must make independent determinations of the suitability of the information for your particular circumstances or conditions and of the completeness of the information available from all sources to assure both the proper use of the material described herein and the safety and health of employees.

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