Section 1: Product and Company Identification

Product Name/Identifier
eXP Tile Backer

Other means of identification
Wallboard, Gypsum Board. Plasterboard, Drywall

Recommended Use
Interior building walls where moisture is a concern. Use per manufacturer’s recommendations.

Restrictions on Use
Use in well-ventilated area and avoid breathing dust. Avoid skin contact.

Manufacturer/Supplier Details
National Gypsum Company
2001 Rexford Road
Charlotte, NC  28211

Emergency Telephone Number
Director Quality Services
(704) 551-5820 - 24 Hour Emergency Response
Website:  www.nationalgypsum.com

Section 2: Hazards Identification

United States (US)
According to OSHA 29CFR 1910.1200 (HCS)

GHS Classification of the substance or mixture
Not classified

GHS Label Elements
Pictogram None
Signal Word None
Hazard Statements None

Precautionary Statements

Prevention
Do not breathe dust.
Use personal protective equipment as required. (See Section 8)
Use engineering controls and wet methods to minimize dust.

Response
If breathing is difficult, remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
If on skin, wash with plenty of soap and water.
If in eyes, rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
Get medical attention if exposed or concerned.

Storage
Store material in a cool, dry, ventilated area, away from excessive heat or sunlight.

Disposal
Dispose of material in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations
**Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients**

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<th>Common name/ Synonym</th>
<th>Identifiers CAS Number</th>
<th>% (weight)</th>
<th>Impurities</th>
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<td>Gypsum</td>
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<td>&gt;91</td>
<td>Crystalline silica (CAS # 14808-60-7)</td>
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**Section 4: First-Aid Measures**

**Inhalation**
Remove exposed individual to fresh air immediately. If breathing difficulty persists, seek medical attention.

**Eye contact**
Do not rub or scratch eyes. Immediately flush eyes with water for 15 minutes.
Remove contact lenses (if applicable). Seek medical attention if irritation persists.

**Skin contact**
Flush and wash skin with soap and water. Utilize lotions to alleviate dryness if present.
Seek medical attention if irritation persists.

**Ingestion**
This product is not expected to be hazardous and no harmful effects are expected upon ingestion of small amounts. Larger amounts may cause abdominal discomfort or possible obstruction of the digestive tract. Seek medical attention if problems persist.

**Medical Conditions aggravated by exposure**
Pre-existing upper respiratory and lung diseases such as, but not limited to, bronchitis, emphysema and asthma. Pre-existing skin diseases such as, but not limited to, rashes and dermatitis.

**Section 5: Fire-Fighting Measures**

**Extinguishing Media**
Dry chemical, foam, water, or extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards**
Mixture poses no fire-related hazard.

**Special hazards arising from the mixture**
None known. Above 1450°C, material can decompose and release sulfur dioxide (SO₂) and oxides of carbon.

**Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**
A SCBA is recommended to limit exposures to combustion products when fighting any fire.

**Section 6: Accidental Release Measures**

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**
No special precautions required.
General recommendations:
Wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment. (See Section 8)
Maintain proper ventilation.

**Environmental precautions**
This product does not present an ecological hazard to the environment.
Dispose of in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**
Pick-up larger pieces to avoid a tripping hazard. Return large pieces of damaged/scraped material for recycling. Sweep or vacuum remaining material into a waste container for disposal. Use a light water spray to minimize dust generation. Maintain proper ventilation to minimize dust.
Section 7: Handling and Storage

Precautions for safe handling
Avoid breathing dust.
Minimize generation of dust.
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.
Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing.
Wear recommended personal protective equipment when handling. (See Section 8)

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities
Store material in a cool, dry, ventilated area, away from excessive heat or sunlight.
Store panels flat to minimize damage and warping.
Do not stack panels too high when storing to minimize the risk of falling.

Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Control Parameters

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<th>OSHA PEL (mg/m³)</th>
<th>ACGIH TLV (mg/m³)</th>
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[^T] = Total Dust;[^R] = Respirable Dust; 1-Present as an impurity in raw materials

Exposure Controls

Appropriate Engineering Controls
Work/Hygiene Practices: Utilize methods to minimize dust production. Utilize wet methods, when appropriate, to reduce generation of dust.
Ventilation: Provide local and general exhaust ventilation sufficient to maintain a dust level below the PEL/TLV.

Personal Protective Equipment

Respiratory Protection
A NIOSH approved particulate respirator is recommended in poorly ventilated areas or if the PEL/TLV is exceeded. OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.134 (Respiratory Protection Standard) must be followed whenever work conditions require respirator use.

Eye Protection
Safety glasses or goggles.

Skin
Gloves, protective clothing and/or barrier creams may be utilized if conditions warrant.

Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

a) Appearance: Coated gypsum board with white/gray core
b) Odor: None
c) Odor threshold: Not available
d) pH: ~7
e) Melting point/freezing point: Not Available
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range: Not Available
g) Flash point: Not available
h) Evaporation rate: Not available
i) Flammability (solid, gas): Not flammable
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits: Not available
k) Vapor pressure: Not available
Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

(a) Reactivity: No data available
(b) Chemical stability: Stable in dry environments
(c) Possibility of hazardous reactions: None known
(d) Conditions to avoid (e.g., static discharge, shock, or vibration): None known
(e) Incompatible materials: None
(f) Hazardous decomposition products: None known. Above 1450°C gypsum will decompose to calcium oxide (CaO), with releases of sulfur dioxide (SO₂) and various oxides of carbon.

Section 11: Toxicological Information

Information on Toxicological effects

Information on likely routes of exposure
Ingestion Not a likely route of exposure. May result in obstruction or temporary irritation of the digestive tract.
Inhalation Dust may irritate respiratory system. Chronic exposure may result in lung disease. (See below)
Skin contact May cause irritation, itching, rash and/or redness, dry skin or dermatitis.
Eye contact May cause mechanical irritation.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics
Acute exposure to airborne dust concentrations in excess of the PEL/TLV may result in coughing, dyspnea, wheezing, and a burning irritation of the nose, throat, and upper respiratory tract, along with possible impaired pulmonary function. Chronic exposure to crystalline silica (a naturally occurring contaminant) in the respirable size has been shown to cause silicosis, a debilitating lung disease, and lung cancer. Continued and prolonged contact may result in dry skin. Contact with dust and/or fiberglass may produce itching, rash and/or redness. Repeated or prolonged exposure may result in dermatitis.

Toxicological data
No toxicological data is available for this product. Toxicological information for components of this product listed below.

Acute toxicity Gypsum: [OECD TG 420, Fixed dose procedure] Oral LD50 > 2,000-mg/kg b.w. for female rats (Sprague-Dawley)
Skin corrosion/irritation Gypsum was not irritating to the skin of rabbits at 1, 24, 48 and 72 hours after removal of test patches [OECD TG 404]
Serious eye damage/eye irritation Not available
Skin sensitization There is no indication of skin sensitization in guinea pigs [OECD TG 406].
Respiratory sensitization Not available
Sensitization Not available
Mutagenicity No evidence of mutagenicity on Ames Test.
Carcinogenicity Not available

This product contains crystalline silica (quartz) as a naturally occurring impurity in some of the raw materials. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) classifies crystalline silica inhaled in the form of quartz or cristobalite from occupational sources as carcinogenic to humans, Group 1. The National Toxicology Program (NTP) classifies respirable crystalline silica as a substance which may be reasonably anticipated to be a carcinogen. OSHA does not regulate crystalline silica as a human carcinogen. Exposures to respirable crystalline silica are not expected during the recommended use of this product. Industrial hygiene monitoring to date has not identified any detectable respirable crystalline silica in dust sampling conducted utilizing recommended application procedures. However, actual levels must be determined by workplace hygiene testing.
Section 11: Toxicological Information (Continued)

- Reproductive effects: Not available
- Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure: Not available
- Aspiration toxicity: Not available

Section 12: Ecological Information

(a) Ecotoxicity (aquatic and terrestrial, where available): This product does not present an ecological hazard to the environment.
(b) Persistence and degradability: Unknown
(c) Bioaccumulative potential: Gypsum is a naturally occurring mineral. Biodegradation and/or bioaccumulation potential is not applicable.
(d) Mobility in soil: Unknown
(e) Other adverse effects (such as hazardous to the ozone layer): None known

Section 13: Disposal Considerations

This material is not considered a hazardous waste. Dispose of according to Local, State, Federal, and Provincial Environmental Regulations.

Section 14: Transport Information

This product is not a DOT hazardous material
Shipping Name: Same as product name
ICAO/IATA/IMO: Not applicable

Section 15: Regulatory Information

All ingredients are included on the TSCA inventory.
Federal Regulations
SARA Title III: Not listed under Sections 302, 304, and 313
CERCLA: Not listed
RCRA: Not listed
OSHA: Dust and potential respirable crystalline silica generated during product use may be hazardous.
State Regulations
California Prop 65: Respirable crystalline silica is known to the state of California to cause cancer. Industrial hygiene monitoring during recommended use of this product failed to identify any respirable crystalline silica.
Canada WHMIS
All components of this product are included in the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).
Crystalline silica: WHMIS Classification D2A
Section 16: Other Information

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Key to Abbreviations  
ACGIH American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
CAS Chemical Abstract Services Number  
CFR Code of Federal Regulations  
DOT Department of Transportation  
EPA Environmental Protection Agency  
HEPA High Efficiency Particulate Air  
HCS Hazard Communications Standard  
HMIS Hazardous Material Identification System  
IARC International Agency for Research on Cancer  
IATA International Air Transport Association  
ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization  
IMO International Maritime Organization  
NIOSH National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health  
NFPA National Fire Protection Association  
NTP National Toxicology Program  
OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
PEL Permissible Exposure Limit  
PPE Personal Protective Equipment  
TLV Threshold Limit Value  
TSCA Toxic Substance Control Act  
TWA Time Weighted Average  
WHMIS Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System  

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