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**1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER**

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**1.1 Product identifier**

**Product name** VE GRO-MATT (GREEN)  
**Synonyms** VE GRO-MATT (FORMERLY) • VE GROMATT

**1.2 Uses and uses advised against**

**Uses** HYDROMULCHING • REVEGETATION

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the product**

**Supplier name** VITAL ENVIRONMENT PTY LTD  
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**Website** <http://www.vitalenvironment.com.au>

**1.4 Emergency telephone numbers**

**Emergency** 1800 284 825

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**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

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**2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**

NOT CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

**2.2 GHS Label elements**

No signal word, pictograms, hazard or precautionary statements have been allocated.

**2.3 Other hazards**

No information provided.

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**3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

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**3.1 Substances / Mixtures**

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
SOFTWOOD(S)	-	-	>95%
ORGANIC TACKIFIER	-	-	<5%
GREEN PIGMENT	Not Available	Not Available	<0.1%

**Ingredient Notes** Softwood Chip and other wood based biofibre (Pinus Radiata and other chip & fibre, kiln dried and heat treated to export standard ISPM 15).

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**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

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**4.1 Description of first aid measures**

**Eye** Exposure is considered unlikely unless dust is generated. Hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water for at least 15 minutes.

**Inhalation** If inhaled (dust during machining), remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.

**Skin** No adverse effects are anticipated. However, if an adverse reaction due to skin contact occurs, gently flush affected areas with water and discontinue use.

**Ingestion** For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). Due to

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product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.

**First aid facilities** Eye wash facilities should be available.

### **4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with the SDS and the product label.

### **4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically.

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## **5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

### **5.1 Extinguishing media**

Water spray or fog, for large quantities. Prevent contamination of drains and waterways.

### **5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Combustible. May evolve toxic gases (carbon oxides, hydrocarbons) when heated to decomposition. Finely divided dust may form explosive mixtures with air.

### **5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Evacuate area and contact emergency services. Toxic gases may be evolved in a fire situation. Remain upwind and notify those downwind of hazard. Wear full protective equipment including Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) when combating fire. Use waterfog to cool intact containers and nearby storage areas.

### **5.4 Hazchem code**

None allocated.

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## **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

### **6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS.

### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

### **6.3 Methods of cleaning up**

If spilt, collect and reuse where possible.

### **6.4 Reference to other sections**

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

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## **7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating.

### **7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Store in a dry, well-ventilated area.

### **7.3 Specific end uses**

No information provided.

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## **8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

### **8.1 Control parameters**

#### **Exposure standards**

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Wood dust	SWA [Proposed]	--	0.5	--	--
Wood dust (soft wood)	SWA [AUS]	--	5	--	10

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### Biological limits

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

### 8.2 Exposure controls

**Engineering controls** Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas.

### PPE

<b>Eye / Face</b>	Wear dust-proof goggles.
<b>Hands</b>	Wear leather or cotton gloves.
<b>Body</b>	In the likelihood of skin contact wear loose comfortable clothing and boots. Long sleeved shirts and long trousers are recommended if skin irritation occurs.
<b>Respiratory</b>	Avoid breathing wood dust. Wear a Class P1 (Particulate) respirator where an inhalation risk exists.



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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	GREEN SOLID
<b>Odour</b>	PINE FRAGRANCE
<b>Flammability</b>	COMBUSTIBLE
<b>Flash point</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Boiling point</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Melting point</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>pH</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Vapour density</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Relative density</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	INSOLUBLE
<b>Vapour pressure</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Upper explosion limit</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Lower explosion limit</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Partition coefficient</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Autoignition temperature</b>	> 220°C
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Viscosity</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Explosive properties</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Oxidising properties</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Odour threshold</b>	NOT AVAILABLE

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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### 10.1 Reactivity

Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Polymerization will not occur.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Compatible with most commonly used materials.

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**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

May evolve toxic gases (carbon oxides, hydrocarbons) when heated to decomposition.

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**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

<b>Acute toxicity</b>	This product is expected to be of low toxicity. Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Skin</b>	Not classified as a skin irritant. Prolonged or repeated exposure to dust may result in mechanical irritation and dermatitis.
<b>Eye</b>	Not classified as an eye irritant. Contact with dust may result in mechanical irritation and lacrimation.
<b>Sensitisation</b>	Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.
<b>Mutagenicity</b>	Not classified as a mutagen.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	Not classified as a carcinogen. However, repeated exposure to wood dust may result in nasal and paranasal sinus cancers (IARC Group 1). Adverse health effects are usually associated with long-term exposure to high dust levels.
<b>Reproductive</b>	Not classified as a reproductive toxin.
<b>STOT - single exposure</b>	Not classified as causing organ damage from single exposure.
<b>STOT - repeated exposure</b>	Not classified as causing organ damage from repeated exposure.
<b>Aspiration</b>	Not classified as causing aspiration.

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**12.1 Toxicity**

This product is not expected to be hazardous to the environment.

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

The product is not expected to persist in the environment.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

This product does not bioaccumulate.

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

This product is immobile in soil. The product is insoluble in water.

**12.5 Other adverse effects**

No information provided.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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**13.1 Waste treatment methods**

<b>Waste disposal</b>	Dispose of to an approved landfill or waste processing site. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information (if required).
<b>Legislation</b>	Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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**NOT CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE, IMDG OR IATA**

	<b>LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)</b>	<b>SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)</b>	<b>AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)</b>
<b>14.1 UN Number</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.2 Proper Shipping Name</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.3 Transport hazard class</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.4 Packing Group</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.

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**14.5 Environmental hazards**

Not a Marine Pollutant.

**14.6 Special precautions for user**

<b>Hazchem code</b>	None allocated.
<b>Other information</b>	Product consists of ISPM15 heat treated export softwood fibre.

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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**15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

<b>Poison schedule</b>	A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).
<b>Classifications</b>	Safe Work Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS Revision 7).
<b>Inventory listings</b>	<b>AUSTRALIA: AIC (Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals)</b> All components are listed on AIC, or are exempt.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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<b>Additional information</b>	<b>PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:</b> The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as form of product, method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.
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**HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:**  
It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: form of product; frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.

<b>Abbreviations</b>	ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
	CAS #	Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds
	CNS	Central Nervous System
	EC No.	EC No - European Community Number
	EMS	Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods)
	GHS	Globally Harmonized System
	GTEPG	Group Text Emergency Procedure Guide
	IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
	LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration
	LD50	Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose
	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Milligrams per Cubic Metre
	OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
	pH	relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline).
	ppm	Parts Per Million
	STEL	Short-Term Exposure Limit
	STOT-RE	Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)
	STOT-SE	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)
	SUSMP	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons
	SWA	Safe Work Australia
	TLV	Threshold Limit Value
	TWA	Time Weighted Average

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**Report status**

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